

Holiday 2025

the **MISSION**

Stories of Second Chances

THANK YOU 
FOR SHARING 
Christmas blessings
WITH MEGAN!



RENO-SPARKS
GOSPEL MISSION
INC.

DON'T MISS...

2 Give a meal. Share peace and hope!

3 "Now, I have hope."

4 The backbone of our ministry...



“NOW I HAVE ALL THE HOPE IN THE WORLD.”

Megan had a hole in her soul that only God could fill, but she resisted. “All my life, I’d known that I needed to have a relationship with Him. I just couldn’t surrender my own will.”

Instead, she tried to fill the void with drugs and alcohol. By the time she was 18, she was struggling with addiction. “I wound up on the streets, feeling hopeless,” she says.

When she was in her 20s, Megan completed rehab and turned her life around. She found a good job, bought a car and settled into a nice apartment. “I had pretty much everything that you could want.”

But the hole in her soul remained and, after three years, Megan relapsed. “I was in a very dark place and started

giving up on life,” she says.

In the midst of her despair, Megan sensed God reaching out to her, drawing her to Himself. “I argued with Him but, finally, I surrendered.”

“I PUT MY WHOLE HEART INTO WALKING WITH GOD.”

The Lord led her to the Reno-Sparks Gospel Mission, where her faith grew strong and filled the emptiness inside. “I turned my will over to God and now I lean on Him for everything,” she says.

With her newfound faith, mentorship and life-skills classes,

Megan has addressed the root causes of her addiction, found emotional healing and developed healthy coping skills to face whatever life sends her way. “It has changed my life,” she says.

“Now, I’m on the right path.”

Now, Megan plans to go to school to become a juvenile probation officer. “I want to be an example of a godly woman and help adolescent girls avoid making the mistakes I made,” she says.

This Christmas, Megan is experiencing the gifts of peace and hope for a brighter future. Thank you for sharing the blessings of God’s love with her!

“The Mission gave me back my life and helped me build a relationship with God. I was hopeless, but now I have all the hope in the world.”

You share the gifts of peace and hope at Christmas

Christmas is just around the corner! We're busy with our preparations – and I know you are too. I invite you to remember our neighbors in need for a moment... and consider what Christmas means to them.

For people experiencing homelessness, there is no moment of peace or joy. They endure constant stress... uncertain of where they can sleep safely... how they'll stay warm... and when they'll get their next meal.

I know your heart breaks for so many of our neighbors who feel they have little to celebrate this Christmas.

That's why your support means so much.

You can share the gifts of peace and hope with our hurting neighbors – this holiday season and beyond. When you give a meal for just \$2.17, you open the doors to healing and transformation. People like Megan (whose story is on page 3) will experience the blessings of God's love that restores hearts and lives.

You can join us in reflecting God's love to our neighbors at Christmas through your compassion toward men, women and children who are hungry, hurting and homeless.

Thank you for filling hearts with peace and hope this season... and every day of the year.



Luis Santoni
Executive Director



Give a meal. Share *peace and hope!*

For our neighbors experiencing homelessness or hunger, Christmas can feel more lonely than joyful... **but YOU can share the gifts of PEACE and HOPE.** Just \$2.17 provides a nourishing Christmas meal – and opens the door to recovery and a fresh start this holiday season.



Please Send Your Christmas Gift Today!

12 DAYS OF GIVING BACK

What better time to experience the joy of giving than the Christmas season! It's also a wonderful time to teach children the importance of giving, or to partner with a friend or family member to give back.



Get inspired to share the blessing of Christmas with these ideas for **12 Days of Giving Back:**

DAY 1	DAY 2	DAY 3
Provide food	Donate clothes	Donate toys
DAY 4	DAY 5	DAY 6
Write a Christmas card	Create a care package	Help serve meals
DAY 7	DAY 8	DAY 9
Help sort donations	Join an event at the Mission	Invite a friend to church
DAY 10	DAY 11	DAY 12
Fundraise at your church or school	Pray for families at the Mission	Share an encouraging word

To learn more about ways you can share the peace and hope of Christmas with Mission guests, give us a call at **(775) 323-0386** or visit us online at **www.rsgm.org**!

Give Relief from the Bitter Cold

Falling temperatures will put lives at risk this holiday season.

With average lows of 25° in Northern Nevada – and elements like snow and piercing cold winds – our unsheltered neighbors are at risk of hypothermia and life-threatening illnesses this winter.

You can give them relief from the cold at the Reno-Sparks Gospel Mission:

- **Safe housing** includes a warm bed and a roof over their heads
- **Hot food** offers comfort and nourishment to cold, weary neighbors
- **Winter clothes** like coats, clothing and shoes are in high demand

To see our most urgently needed items, visit www.rsgm.org/Needs

The backbone of our ministry...

Monthly Giving Club Partners

Many people come to the Mission with nothing but the clothes on their backs. They've been alienated and lonely... searching for food and housing... longing for compassion and a reason to hope for meaning in their lives.

We welcome them like family and provide safe housing, nutritious meals and life-changing programs... all in the love of Christ.

Thanks to a special group of people who are committed to giving hope to the hopeless, we have the resources to carry on this life-giving work. They're our Monthly Giving Club Partners, and you're invited to join them!

To learn more about becoming a member of this extraordinary group, contact Tammy at

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To join now, visit www.rsgm.org/monthlygiving.