

The HEART of TEXAS

A newsletter of Dallas LIFE

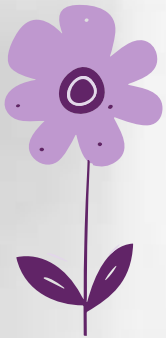
DALLAS LIFE



SEVENTY YEARS
OF HOMELESS RECOVERY

EASTER 2024

Jason is celebrating Easter with JOY – because of you!



Thank you for showing him that new life is possible.

Easter²⁰²⁴
ANNUAL CAMPAIGN



DON'T MISS...

2 The Promises of Easter

3 "I know who I am in Christ."

4 You changed lives last year!

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A Message from REV. BOB SWEENEY

THE PROMISES OF EASTER

Have you ever seen the realization cross someone's face the first time they understand the gravity of Christ's death and resurrection? It's one of my favorite things about Easter at Dallas LIFE. It's a privilege to be a small part of their story, as our guests celebrate the promises of joy and hope this season brings.

You too are a part of our guests' stories, as you share God's love with them by providing nutritious meals, safe shelter and other services to change their lives.

Your faithful prayers and generosity help hurting men, women, children, seniors and veterans in our community find a home through our doors. They also find HOPE – hope for their future, and hope in the promises we celebrate at Easter.

Thank you for showing our hurting neighbors in need that you care about them – in their present circumstances, for their future and for eternity. You show them they are loved. You help restore their dignity, and ignite in them a desire to change their circumstances.

Together with God's faithfulness, you help turn stories of pain into promises of new life in Christ.

Thank you... happy Easter... and God bless!

Rev. Bob Sweeney
Executive Director



GIVE MONTHLY. SAVE LIVES ALL YEAR!

You can make a lasting difference in our community when you become a monthly partner!

These days, it costs more than ever to provide the life-changing care our hurting neighbors at Dallas LIFE need... By becoming a Circle of Hope partner, you can give people the opportunity to overcome homelessness with your monthly gift to provide:



MEALS



COUNSELING



SHELTER



JOB TRAINING

Start giving monthly now to help provide the building blocks our residents need for a better life!

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SHARE JOY THIS EASTER

Help meet the needs of our hurting neighbors!

With Easter coming early this year, we need your help to welcome every man, woman, child, senior and veteran who comes to our doors! YOU can help meet their needs and fill hearts with joy...



42,000 meals – just \$2.50 each!



14,275 nights of shelter



Christ-centered care & healing in our life-change programs!

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✉ Give now using the enclosed reply card and envelope.

🌟 Give online anytime at dallaslife.org.



“I know who I am IN CHRIST.”



“I knew God sent me to Dallas LIFE to clean up my life, so I took Him up on the offer.”



Jason had a bright future. In high school he was in the band and a member of the football team. He loved sports. But after being kicked off the football team, his life took a turn. With more free time after school, he started hanging out with the wrong crowd and was introduced to alcohol. It started a battle with addiction and homelessness that Jason endured for the next 30 years.

“I could have gone so much farther and had such a better quality of life, but indulging in alcohol and not being able to stop made me a prisoner of my

own choices,” he explains.

Over the following years, Jason bounced around between family members willing to take him in. He struggled with pride and admitting he needed help – but his relationship with God that he’d established as a child stayed intact. Eventually, that’s what led him to Dallas LIFE. He had been praying to God for help, and God answered.

Jason joined our Homeless No More Program. Through counseling, classes and Bible studies, he learned how to implement structure and biblical principles to turn his life around. He got a full-time job at a local hospital and found a new purpose and plan for his life.

“I was lost. Now I am found. Because of my time spent here at Dallas LIFE, I know what I want to do with my life. It’s a miracle.”

Today, Jason is a proud



graduate of our program and is committed to staying true to himself and to Christ – no matter what he faces in the future.

“I’m not going to let people or circumstances change who I am. I know who I am as a human being, and I know who I am in Christ.”

Thank you for sharing God’s love with Jason this Easter. His life has been renewed through the joy and hope of the Gospel!

“This ministry changes lives. It gave me the opportunity to step outside of myself and become a new person in Jesus.”



HELP MEET OUR EASTER NEEDS



Sunday, March 31: Our Easter Celebration!

Now through Easter, your help is needed to provide **thousands of meals** for our hungry neighbors! Help welcome these special guests with love and a good meal by sharing a donation of these needed food items.

URGENTLY NEEDED ITEMS!

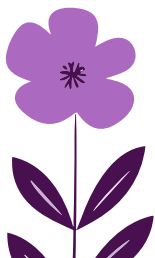
Drop off any of these items **by Friday, March 29:**

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| <input type="checkbox"/> SPIRAL SLICED HAMS | <input type="checkbox"/> POWDERED MILK |
| <input type="checkbox"/> INSTANT MASHED POTATOES | <input type="checkbox"/> DESSERTS |
| <input type="checkbox"/> BUTTER | <input type="checkbox"/> COFFEE |
| <input type="checkbox"/> CANNED VEGETABLES | <input type="checkbox"/> CREAMER |

Drop off donations at Dallas LIFE at 1100 Cadiz St. in Dallas.

No time to shop? Donate now!

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God's Promise of Joy

"If you keep my commandments, you will abide in my love... These things I have spoken to you, that my joy may be in you, and that your joy may be full." - John 15:10-11



YOU changed lives last year!

Throughout 2023, friends like you joined together to make an incredible impact for individuals, veterans, those who are disabled and single-parent families experiencing homelessness...



370,411
meals filled
hungry bellies



123,718
nights of shelter
kept people safe



And your compassion opened the door to other life-changing services, like classes, faith-based guidance and job skills training.

Thank you.
What a blessing you are!