

Restoring Families by Ending Addiction through the power of Jesus Christ



This is Nicholas, and his girlfriend, Madison. Nicholas shared his story at our gala in November. Nicholas had been homeless for 6 1/2-7 years, addicted to meth and heroine. On March 1, 2020, Nicholas was admitted to the hospital for sepsis. He was told to flip a coin about his survival rate. Nicholas shared, "I realized in that moment that the only phone number I knew was my drug dealer. I didn't have a single person who would have cared if that was going to happen to me. In that moment, even though I'd never really been to church in my whole life, I cried out to the Lord. I had the gift of desperation." Nicholas was in the hospital for more than 3 month. During his hospital stay, a man, Der'el, visited him and told him

about Metro Hope. Nicholas came into our Guest Room on June 24, 2020. He said with a laugh, "It was like the Hilton because I hadn't been inside for so long. I was like, 'this place is great!' I go back now and that was my attitude, I was just so grateful, to be inside even. I told myself then, and I still do, that I would go to any lengths to be sober and to not die on the streets like so many of my friends have. I had to have everything beaten out of me. Every attempt to get sober outside of Jesus, I had to try, and just get ruined."

March 2021, Nicholas graduated from Metro Hope and began working full-time at Hidden Treasures Thrift Store where he continues to work today. He is on the front lines there, sharing Jesus with new employees coming out of prison and treatment. "I shouldn't be alive to experience this grace. I've attended some sobriety meetings but in those clubs my level of worth is contingent on the number of days I've been sober. What this does is it creates this shame and a fear of sharing if I messed up. That is why Metro Hope is such a great place because it doesn't matter how many days you have. I had no knowledge of the Bible. I couldn't tell right from wrong when I was addicted. Everything was upside down. At Metro Hope I was learning about the Lord and reading the Bible. I learned that He loved me just as much out there as He does today, and there is nothing that can take that from me. Today, that is all I need, to go to the Lord with anything, and I never have to run because I know I will be ok. The most amazing blessing I got at Metro Hope was being exposed to the Gospel in a real-life, street level way, learning how to live a Godly life in a real day-to-day life."





Nicholas' story could not be what it is without you! Your gifts provided the housing, Biblical teaching and discipleship he needed to live the life God has planned for him, and to share the Gospel with those around him. Today he is a Kingdom Builder pointing others to the One who saved him.

Madi, Nicholas & Cammy sharing the Gospel with the homeless





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