



Please enjoy these incredible stories of life change that **YOU** made possible!

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Gia often went without food

You gave her three meals a day and a safe place to stay

Gia was terrified. Each day she never knew if food would be available, where she was going to live, or if she would be punished for doing something her mom did not like.

Because you chose to make a difference in Gia's life, she felt truly safe for one of the first times. You made sure she had a warm bed and consistent meals. You gave her a supportive place to be vulnerable and process her trauma. Because of you, Gia experienced her worth in Christ, and she began to finally feel safe.

Gia has endured horrendous abuse. She was assaulted on a daily basis for the first six years of her life. Food was not consistently available and she resorted to either overeating when there was food or hiding any food she could get her hands on.

Because of you, this precious little girl is receiving consistent care and has a safe place to stay. You made sure she had a warm bed and healthy meals. She felt truly safe for the first time which allowed her to open up and process her pain and trauma.

Gia now has healthy coping skills to manage her fear. She used to be at the mercy of her perpetrators,



You helped bring an end to Gia's hungry days and nights!

now she knows she is loved and cared for by the adults in her life. She can advocate for herself and her needs are heard.

Gia no longer has to live with constant worry of whether her basic needs will be met. With safety, stability, and consistent care, she is free to focus on what every child deserves—to simply be a kid. Gia has really enjoyed play therapy and one-on-one time with staff. It's a beautiful reminder of how far she has come and the joy she is discovering along the way.

Gia now knows how precious she is. All because you gave. Thank you!

**INSIDE: MORE STORIES LIKE GIA'S ABOUT
THE IMPACT YOU'VE MADE ON YOUNG LIVES**

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With your support, he's learning how to trust.

pg 3 | Josh experienced severe neglect...
Today, he is safe and knows Jesus!

It is a season of gratitude. And I am thankful for YOU.

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For every heartbreak and setback, there is still something to be grateful for. Through every difficult step, God continues to provide the grace, strength, and hope our children and youth need as they begin the challenging journey toward healing from trauma. Because of your compassion for hurting children, kids like Gia, Seth, and Josh are discovering hope for perhaps the first time in their lives. Each of these children experienced neglect, and the actions of those who were supposed to love and care for them reinforced a painful lie: that they were unworthy of love. But because of you, those chains are being broken. These young people are discovering what healing can look like—physically, emotionally, and spiritually. They are beginning to understand that their past does not define their future and that they are worthy of love, belonging, and hope. This Thanksgiving, we celebrate you. Your generosity has helped children begin to believe that their story isn't over—and that, with God's grace, it can become something beautiful. May your Thanksgiving be filled with joy, peace, and the same love you so generously pour into the lives of hurting children.

Kevin

Seth experienced his worth because of you

Seth's childhood was marked by significant instability. His mother struggled with drug addiction and they faced severe financial hardship. Seth moved frequently and had no dependable support. These challenges were further compounded by his partial blindness.

Seth did not feel seen or known. He refused to be vulnerable or ask for help. However, things began to change through equine therapy. Seth was drawn to Bob, a horse who, like Seth, was partially blind. Tragically, just a few months later, Bob lost his vision and became completely blind.

Seth worked with Bob to regain his confidence and feel safe. Through this beautiful connection, Seth learned that even the scariest changes can be faced when you have healthy connections you can rely on.

Thank you for giving Seth the opportunity to heal and grow. He has learned that he is worthy of love and healthy relationships.



Josh trusted no one Today he has true connections and felt-safety!

Josh was never a priority. Both his parents were addicted to substances. Drugs always came first and any money that was available supported his parents' addiction.

Many times, there was no food and no electricity. With drugs at the center of his home life, and overwhelming feelings of pain and isolation, Josh began using substances as well.

Because you gave, Josh received love and care. He's been surrounded by adults who put his needs first. He has learned positive coping skills and found connection. Josh feels safe and loved because of you!

Josh used to push people away and take his anger out on those around him. Now, he is a leader in his cottage.

Josh recently had the opportunity to attend a retreat alongside a staff member. This camp brought together children from hard places who shared a love for Jesus, creating a space where Josh could grow in his faith and leadership.

He also formed incredible connections with the boys in his cabin and returned to campus with a renewed desire to share his faith. Josh started a Bible study for the boys in his cottage, creating an opportunity for them to grow in their relationship with Jesus together.



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Because of your generosity, this young man now knows his true worth in Christ! He learned that he doesn't need drugs to cope and that life is more than just survival.

Josh now trusts and connects with the adults and peers in his life. Because of you, Josh has a hope-filled future and is spreading the Good News wherever he goes!

Thank you for wanting Josh to experience Christ's amazing love. For helping him to trust and learn how to express his needs and desires. Thank you for investing in Josh and helping him become a light for Christ to those around him! *You turned his life around in so many ways!*

PLEASE HELP!

Thanksgiving is November 26 – Meal funds needed!

Thanksgiving can be one of the most memorable days of the year. But for many children who come from abusive and neglectful homes, it's just another day with no food on the table.

These kids go to bed hungry most nights and wake up wondering if they will have anything to eat that day. Worrying about food causes many of them to binge or hoard the food they do find. They believe it's the only way they won't go hungry later.

But this Thanksgiving, you can provide one child an entire day full of healthy meals for just \$8.97! That means your \$63 donation by November 26 would provide one young boy or girl a week's worth of filling meals during the Thanksgiving season!

\$27 = 3 days of filling meals



Your gift by Thanksgiving provides a filling meal to a hungry child.

It's so important that each child has access to nourishing meals each day. When children don't know where their next meal will come from, they have a hard time believing that anyone will provide for their most basic needs. Meaning a hungry kid is often a kid who feels unworthy of being loved.

But you can do something about that! Your loving donation by Thanksgiving – November 26 – will provide three filling and delicious meals each day to a child who is used to going hungry this time of year. That's how powerful your donation is!

\$63 = 1 week of filling meals



YES! I will give a meal to a child by Thanksgiving!

Please use my gift to provide a delicious meal for a child who has suffered abuse and neglect at home.

- ☐ **\$27** to provide **three days** of filling meals
- ☐ **\$63** to provide **one week** of filling meals
- ☐ **\$270** to provide **one month** of filling meals
- ☐ **\$ _____** to help **as much as possible**

Your gift is needed by November 26!



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