



Putting For Pencils

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"Back to School" event to help local children

This year's 2022 "Back to School" charity golf tournament is a fundraiser to benefit **Salt Lake City Mission's** Back to School outreach event this August.

This "Back to School Giveaway" will benefit local children living in poverty by supplying the education tools to insure our poorest kids are not left behind.



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Rose Park Golf Course
11386 N. Redwood
SLC, Utah

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Day of event:
Registration at 7am
Shot Gun start at 8am

For Complete Sponsorship & Registration Details
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- Residential recovery programs
- The Good News of God's love

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City Mission I served within the unsheltered community for many years at the Road Home Shelter and various other service agencies.

God has also used me to give my testimony at various Colleges and at the State Capital.

I myself was homeless and addicted to hard core drugs. But I have overcome through the power of God's willingness to redeem and have become a passionate tool who understands the adversities and hardship in the lives of others.

I was truly saved and now truly serve the needs of others with a true heart felt compassion.

To God be the Glory!

I have learned over the years that with God **"ALL THINGS ARE POSSIBLE!"**.

For more information or to schedule interviews, contact Salt Lake City Mission, at 801.355.6310.

Meeting Their Greatest Needs!

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Salt Lake City Mission Announces New Leadership

Salt Lake City Mission's Board of Directors is pleased to announce that it has named Paster Shawn Clay as new Director of the Mission.

Pastor Shawn will assume the role of Director under the headship of CEO/Board Chairman Pastor Wayne Wilson.

Pastor Shawn will be in charge of the day to day operations of Salt Lake City Mission, and essentially the on location top executive. Pastor Shawn brings a unique set of talents, skills, and charisma to the Mission leadership.

As the new Director, Pastor Shawn has a passion to continue moving Salt Lake City Mission forward - as he wholeheartedly purposes to serve the less fortunate and disadvantaged throughout the state of Utah.

Pastor Shawn succeeds Pastor Joe Vazquez who has recently made the decision to move closer to his family in Florida in assuming a role at a Gospel rescue mission near the

Tampa Bay area. Pastor Joe has served over 7 successful years with Salt Lake City Mission, paving the way for the Mission to continue "Making the Greater Difference!"

"I could not be more grateful than to accept the position as Director in this well-established and well-loved organization that consists of an extreme passionate and talented team".

Pastor Shawn furthers his heart to serve, "I am very thankful and very blessed and humbled to be in the office of Director. This is a very



exciting time for me. Salt Lake City Mission is the place that I received my Pastoral ordination.

I have been serving in the ministry since 2010 as head Chaplain while also engaging our daily ongoing daily operations, also going out in the streets to minister to the homeless, giving out food, and other much needed essential items.

At my local home church, I have received my minister license and Eldership ordination – while being recognized for my efforts in passionately serving the poor and dedication to the church."

Pastor Shawn continues. "Over the years prior to joining Salt Lake

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Director Shawn's Special Message to Supporters

"Thank you so much Mission partners for all of your help this year! The month of May is going to be very exciting for Salt Lake City Mission!. Since the Covid pandemic hit we had to stop our outreach feeding events at the Weigand Center (shelter). We also closed our day room and services to the public and unsheltered along with our Chapel services. But I am so very excited to finally announce that under my leadership the Mission will once again make available all of our vital services.

We will now be able to offer a well-rounded assistance to our unsheltered friends. So stayed tuned to our Facebook page and website for updates, Thank you all again for your support in what we do. God bless you!!!"



Director Shawn is always willing to lend a hand in serving food to those in need who come to the Mission for help!



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CHANGED LIVES!

Allen - Resurrected to serve in a designed purpose from God

“When I joined the men’s recovery program in 2014, I really had no idea where I was going in life. My thoughts consisted of doing all I could to continue my personal growth and take advantage of the unique position I found myself in. I was previously homeless, needed help, and while going through the recovery program I found myself in a position to also help those who were still out there living that daily struggle and coming to the Mission for help.

“During my residency in the Mission program, a time came when I was given the opportunity to serve the Mission in a greater capacity. One of the leading Pastors came to me and asked me if I wanted to get more involved. He noticed something about me that could be a great asset in assisting the Mission in the work we do.

“Prior to this, and as a side note, and I realize this may sound silly, but when of the Upper-Staff called me to specifically perform a task, I always called it a “special assignment.” I did so for two reasons. First, it was not something that happened often. Secondly, I felt it to be an honor to be of use to the very ministry who welcomed me unconditionally to help me achieve something more fulfilling in life.

“During this point in time, I did not actually know what each leader did individually as far as their position, all I knew was they felt they could trust me with whatever they had for me to do. The way forward was a learning process that motivated me. Colossians 3:23 says: “Whatever you do, work at it wholeheartedly as if you were doing for the Lord rather than people”. I applied this mindset to my general work, but doubly so with the “special assignments”.

“I quickly found myself working in the front office as an assistant to staff members. Within a relatively short time, we grew closer as a team, we worked together well. And as time went on, I learned aspects of the job positions my



Allen assists others in need every day with a joyful attitude

co-workers were engaged in and made myself available to step in to perform anything needed to, not only aid my co-workers, but alleviate them of tasks to give them more time to accomplish their other agendas.

“Sometime later, admittedly all too soon in my mind, the current Admin Assistant left the ministry to move with her husband to another state. Because of my previous involvement and readiness to help at any given moment I was officially hired on as staff to replace her. Not too long after that, another staff member left leaving me in a position to take on a workload that I did not see coming.

“Feeling a bit overwhelmed, I remember saying to myself ‘what am I supposed to do now? I can’t deal with all this on my own!’ The words from the book of Joshua “I will not leave you nor forsake you” came to mind and in that moment, I decided that I was going to do my best and let God handle the rest. Suffice to say, I was right to do so. Trusting in God proved to be a better option than worry.

“Things have been going well, but there is always more to learn, and I can only thank God for being with me and guiding me throughout all that has transpired

Ted - Growing through self-doubt to self-confidence

Ted was another recovery resident who was invited to join the Mission staff because of his enthusiastic attitude to pursue a positive life change and help others in need during his journey.

“Making the change from the Missions Upward Motion Recovery Program to

being hired on as Staff was huge and I found it difficult at first. I joined the Mission program because I was a screw-up in life. I made bad decisions followed by worse actions that led the police evicting me from where I lived, estranged me from my family, friends and loved ones – ultimately cementing in my mind and heart what my father said to me – that I am not trustworthy, I am a failure and a loser.

“The Mission was the first place to show trust in me. Before I was even hired, and during my recovery, Pastor Wayne Wilson put me in charge of a unit at the recovery home fourplex and assigned me a staff room. Five years later I still call it home. After seeing promise in me, I was assigned to run the warehouse, GIK containers and all In-Kind Donations. I was given a desk, phone, and computer. My name and title on a desk name plate, a badge for my shirt, and business cards for my wallet made me even prouder and excited to serve God, the Mission, and people in need. Wow I thought! What are these men of God seeing in me? Don’t they know who I am (a life screw up)? Why do these men trust me?

Questioning myself and my ability haunted me for quite a while, but I was determined not to let God, the Mission, and myself down. Over time my relationship with God and Jesus Christ has bloomed My thought and heart is continuously being transformed into that of Jesus’, and I have learned to forgive myself and like myself for the first time. I hear that one day I may love myself but let’s not be pushy (haha). I’m happy right where I’m at for now.

The past two years during Covid 19 pandemic has been my best years. I was promoted to Volunteer Coordinator and assigned the reception desk where

my Irish personality and ability to easily talk to people has made me an asset to the daily running of the Mission. I am now a hired staff member.

I am the first person that people see and talk to when they call or visit the Mission, and my “God given gift of gab” makes people feel relaxed, comfortable, and excited about using the Mission for its excellent services that include food pantry, free clothing and other vital basic needs, and Volunteer opportunities for others to join our ongoing community projects.



As the new Volunteer Coordinator, Ted’s impact has a greater effect

During all of this I had a left and right hip replacement surgery, one broken foot, and within six months of each other my dad, mom and sister passed away. But my life continues in the glory, comfort, and unconditional love from the God in which I ultimately serve. **God bless everyone!!!!**



This year’s Easter Season Food Box Giveaways And Food Distribution Programs Feeds Thousands

This year’s Easter season we provided more than 22,000 meals and 2,000 food boxes to families in great need. Our major Food Box Giveaways in partnership with Aerostar Media, CCMS and Vida Nueva church ministries served over 1,800 people which included many families with children trying to make ends meet during the current economic struggles of today.

In addition to our Easter events, the Mission also provided an additional 1,100 food boxes, 14,000 meals, and 70,000 articles of clothing in the weeks leading up to Easter.

“What a fulfilling experience it was to serve so many people in need of food. It puts every meal I eat in perspective, thanking God with every bite, and not take for granted the blessing of HIS provision. As we extend the provision of God to others in need, it brings joy to my heart to serve others in this way”, says Director of Salt Lake City Mission Pastor Shawn.