

A caring relationship, plus a job...

Transformations

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A caring
relationship plus
a job, lifts a
gang member
from the street
into a life of
hope and
success.

Employers Wanted.

We take donations of cars
in good running condition.

We pass those cars on to
young men and families in
need of transportation who
have proven themselves
worthy.

Odd Jobs Needed.

It only takes about \$5,000
per year to guide and assist
one young man. Your gift
goes a long way!

Thank you for
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Paul looked in the mirror and wept. He weighed only 95 pounds. He remembers falling to his knees on the bathroom floor and crying, "God, look at me!"

Paul grew up around drugs and violence. From the world's perspective there was no hope. His cycle of bad habits were impossible to break: selling drugs, using drugs, going to jail. His only friend was his girl, Yvette. He kicked it with his homies and sold drugs out of her house.

Then he found Hope Now For Youth. He came to our program only looking for a job, but he found Christians who showed him a love he'd never known before. He heard about the cross of Jesus and his world changed.

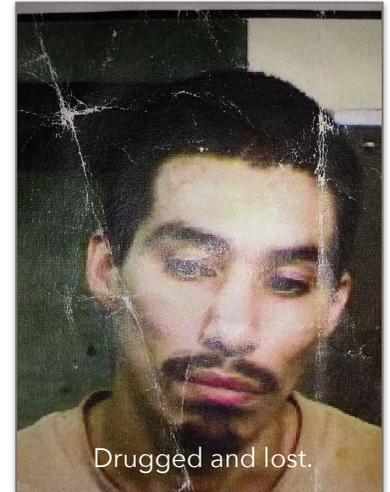


He went back to school and graduated in 2013 from Clovis Adult School with his high school diploma.

Shortly after his graduation, Paul enrolled in Moody Bible Institute. In July of this year, Paul received his Associate of Biblical Studies degree. He continues on our staff as a Senior Vocational Placement Counselor. He assists young men who are in desperate straights just as he was.

Looking in the mirror today reveals a new creation. There is hope.

Congratulations to Paul for his outstanding achievements.



Drugged and lost.

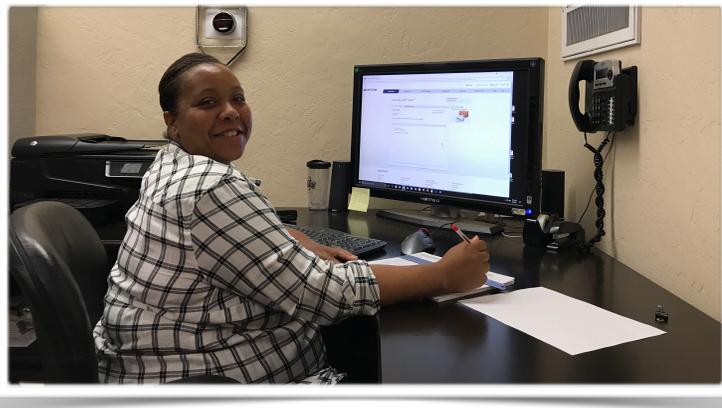
For Paul, his conversion was dramatic. On the day he believed, all his cravings ceased. He no longer desired meth, alcohol, marijuana, or even cigarettes. And by the grace of God he never went back to them.

In 2009, Paul married Yvette, the only one who stood by his side, even through the disrespect and the cheating. Upon completion of our Hope Now program, Paul started a full time job and won Youth of the Year. Soon, he joined our staff.



Paul, today. A new creation.

We Love Our Volunteers



Deja Riel is helping us around the office this month! She is working to streamline our mailing list process. Deja is performing data entry which will save us on our monthly newsletter mailings. Deja's husband Sona, completed our Hope Now program over a decade ago. He works for the County of Fresno in

their janitorial department. When not at work he is a student majoring in the "maintenance mechanic" field. Deja and Sona have three children and one on the way! Thank you, Deja for being a valuable part of our team.

Cambodia Corner

Our international ministry to deported young men from the United States to Cambodia. To find out more visit our webpage at <https://hopenowforyouth.org/about-us/hope-now-cambodia/>

Piseth, from Long Beach, California, hit rock bottom. In our July newsletter we asked for prayer. He was homeless and was drinking heavily. His body was wasting away, and he was without hope.

Through the work of our staff in Phnom Penh and the encouragement of our Battambang staff member, Piseth was able to clean himself up, find a place to live, intern for a short time with a local employer, and just recently landed a full-time job as a baker in a local bakery.

His salary will be \$160 per month. After a three month probationary period, Piseth may have his salary increased by 50 or 60 dollars.

Please pray for Piseth and other deportees like him who are trying to survive in a third world country. Your monthly gift designated as Cambodia allows us to help destitute men like Piseth. Thank you.



Piseth (center) with Hope Now staff, Mout and Chantha

Next month our executive director will travel to Cambodia to see the work there and encourage our staff. You may follow his travels at www.rogerfeenstra.com.



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