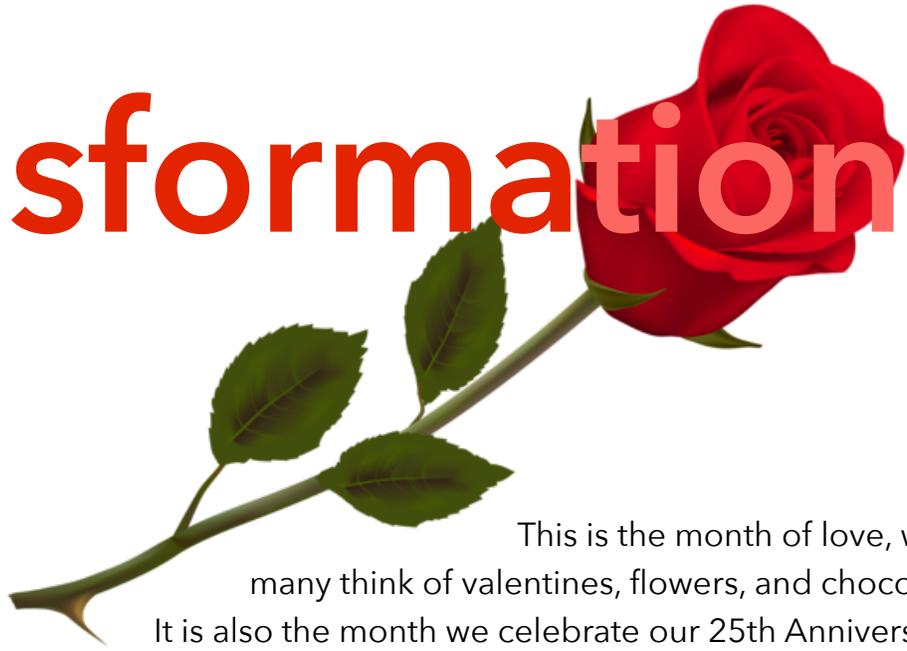


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This is the month of love, when many think of valentines, flowers, and chocolates. It is also the month we celebrate our 25th Anniversary. The celebration happens Thursday evening, February 22nd, at the Double Tree Hotel and Conference Center. I hope you will join us for a wonderful evening of hearing about what God is doing through the ministry of Hope Now for Youth. You will hear from several young men who formerly had no hope in life. These stories, like José's below, serve as inspirational reminders that change really does happen.

José was lost. His life growing up was one of hopelessness. Taken away from his parents at a young age, he drifted from foster home to foster home. He was in and out of jail and had no respect for others or himself. Hiding behind his tattoos was one way to escape the pain he was feeling.

Four months ago, José came to Hope Now. He found a different kind of love in our staff, who took the time to encourage him and help him with many of the issues he faced. He began working at Hye Quality Bakery and started the long process of having several tattoos removed.



José has hope for his future because of the help he received at Hope Now.

I invite you to watch a brief video clip* of his story on our website, then come hear the rest on February 22nd.

We have other surprises in store for you at our banquet. Make sure to RSVP soon to reserve your place. I look forward to seeing you there.

Roger Feenstra
 Executive Director

* <https://hopenowforyouth.org/meet-jose/> (Go to this link to see more.)

25th Anniversary Banquet This Month

Reservations are beginning to pour in for our 25th Anniversary Banquet on February 22nd. An invitation should be in your hands, but if not, there are several ways to RSVP. Go online to www.hopenow.org and click on the Banquet RSVP button, or call our office at 559.237.7215. Like all our banquets, this one promises to illuminate, uplift, and encourage. We have a few surprises too. Will we see you there?

Cambodia Corner



Dr. Marty (left), Van and wife Ravy.

Our board of directors member, Dr. Marty Martin, paid a visit to our staff member Van and his wife Ravy while on a medical mission trip to Battambang, Cambodia. Van has been in Cambodia for several years. He leads weekly Bible studies for the deported Cambodian young men and helps them adjust to their new world. It was encouraging for Van to meet Dr. Marty for the first time.

Speaking of visits, in Phnom Penh, our staff member Mout arranged for one of our young men to reunite with a sister he had lost contact with four years ago. Sam has been struggling on the streets of the capital city, and Hope Now is assisting him in getting his life back on track.



Sam (right) reunites with his sister after four years.

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