

# HOPE FOR TODAY

HOPE RESCUE MISSION – READING, PA

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## A Drive to Be Independent Again

**D**elroy is one of the kindest, gentlest, soft-spoken individuals you could ever meet.

He has had a career in truck driving for over 20 years, and he relocated from Philadelphia to the Exeter area to work for a family-owned trucking company. Shortly after moving, Delroy began suffering from seizures and could not drive with his CDL.

The owners of the company were so gracious and took Delroy into their home to live with them for several months, even though he could not drive for them. Not wanting to be a burden on them, Delroy found out about Hope's programs for those in need, so he decided to come for help.

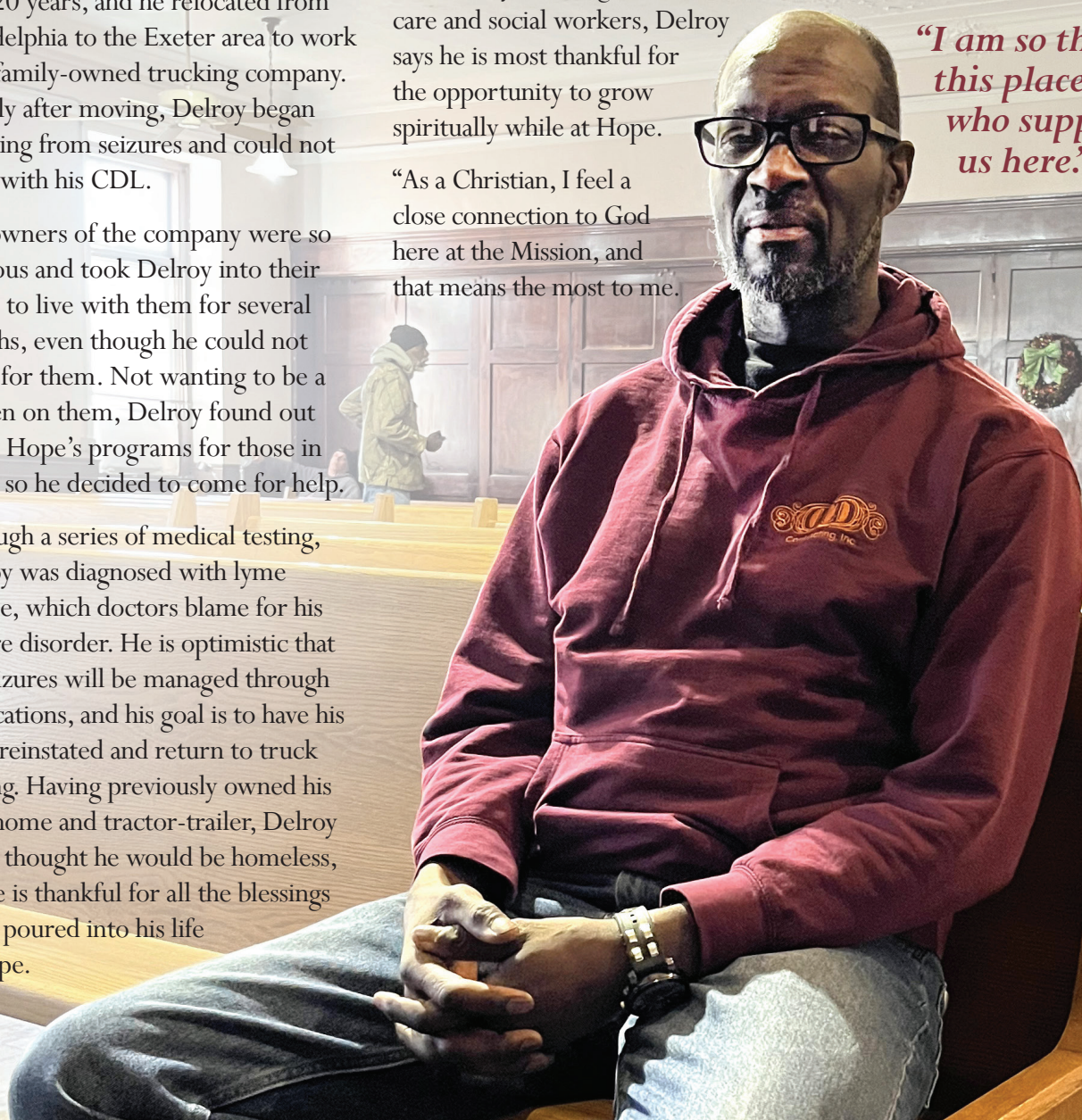
Through a series of medical testing, Delroy was diagnosed with lyme disease, which doctors blame for his seizure disorder. He is optimistic that his seizures will be managed through medications, and his goal is to have his CDL reinstated and return to truck driving. Having previously owned his own home and tractor-trailer, Delroy never thought he would be homeless, but he is thankful for all the blessings being poured into his life at Hope.

Delroy grew up in a Christian family, and he says they were always in church. While he is thankful for the physical provisions of a safe place to live, three meals a day, clothing, access to medical care and social workers, Delroy says he is most thankful for the opportunity to grow spiritually while at Hope.

"As a Christian, I feel a close connection to God here at the Mission, and that means the most to me.

When my seizures are under control, I look forward to working and being independent again. My favorite job will always be driving commercial trucks."

*"I am so thankful for this place and those who support all of us here."*





# Volunteer Spotlight – Amazon/Community Together

The ACT Program works with charitable organizations across the United States to find light duty positions to accommodate Amazon Employees with temporary work restrictions.

HRM has become one of the organizations that host these wonderful volunteers. The volunteers have an extended time at the mission throughout the week to help in our kitchen area and welcome center.

They have filled the gap as the number of guests increase in our building during the Code Blue Season.



We are delighted to report that building construction is on track and much progress has been made. Drywall, electrical and plumbing is already being installed in one third of the building! Individual rooms in the west wing are being framed and the outline

of the corridors and the dining area are quickly taking shape. Please continue to pray for the safety of our general contractor, Kaiser Martin Group, all subcontractors and for the materials and supplies to arrive on time and on budget.



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