

## HOPE FOR EX-OFFENDERS

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### NARRATION

### GRAPHICS AND CLIPS

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Meet Shane Echols, a man who has been in and out of prison for years. After his latest stint for burglary, Shane was determined to turn his life around. However, he knew it wouldn't be easy with his criminal record making it tough for him to find work and acceptance in any community.

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But this time, Shane had a reason to believe that things could be different. While in prison, he met Jeffrey Cobb, a man who had also served time but found his calling and faith in Christ. Jeffrey knew firsthand the struggle of finding work and housing after release, and he felt called to help ex-offenders with their most urgent needs – work and a place to live.

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Upon his release, Jeffrey kept his promise to God and founded Shelter From the Storm, a transitional home that provides shelter for four men at a time, along with a lawn service that provides employment for ex-offenders. Shane was one of the lucky ones who received help from Jeffrey, and he was given a place to live and a job in the lawn service.

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Sadly, most U.S. prisons lack programs to train convicts in useful skills, leaving many with limited options once they are released. This is where people like Jeffrey and James Settles come in. James, the founder of the Nashville-based transitional living program called Aphesis House, turned his own life around in prison and now operates four facilities that serve 28 men, with a waiting list of around 200.

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Aphesis House provides men with the life skills they need to succeed outside of prison, including relapse prevention programs and behavior modification classes. This program, along with others like it, is changing lives for the better.

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By returning the Tithe and Promise, regular and systematic offerings, you are helping to support programs like these that help men and women who leave prison and need assistance establishing a new life within God's sheltering love. Investing in God's work is a way to partner with Him to speed His coming and make a positive impact in the lives of those who need it most. May we put our desires last, and God first.

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