

I JUST HAVE FAITH NOW

“I just have faith now.” These were the words of Tommy when asked to explain why he has been able to be sober for a complete year. Tommy said that he lived a life of addiction to drugs and crime for 20 years. He spent time in jail and even rehabilitation facilities but neither of those made a difference.

Tommy first attended Embrace Church, a church plant of Mississippi Baptists, a little over one year ago. He was grateful to find a place that could be a consistently good influence in his life. He recalled that he never felt judged at church. When he experienced struggles with his faith, he had people like the pastor Andy Boles and other leaders that he could talk to for wise counsel.

The people at Embrace have also helped Tommy rebuild his life by repaying debts from his life before. He refers to Embrace as “a valuable place” in his life. He is quick to tell others that he believes “God will put back what you lost.” He firmly believes, “I just have faith now and that is what I go by.”

The Margaret Lackey State Missions Offering provides the initial funding to start new churches focused on reaching and teaching Mississippians for the Kingdom.

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