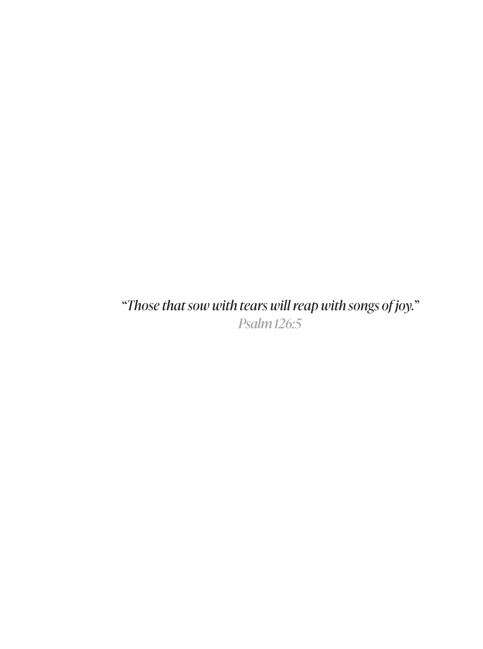




# Seeds of Change



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### Dear Friends.

It is my privilege to introduce you to Bethany's Annual Report 2024, the **Seeds of Change**. I know you will enjoy this year's collection of inspiring stories, reflecting on some of our longer term work supporting people across our services. Positive change in a person's life can be rapid, and spring up quickly. More often it takes time, and requires tending and nurturing to grow and mature, especially given that for most of the people we support, it is the circumstances that need to change. Together with your support we are sowing seeds of hope, seeds of kindness and seeds of investment into people's lives and communities, as we seek to effect real and lasting change and fulfil our vision of ending homelessness in Scotland, one person at a time.

Over the last few years, as part of our heart to sow positively into people's lives and communities, Bethany Christian Trust has been growing new branches, seeking to respond holistically through Christ's love in action, leading to lasting fruit. As we seek to prevent homelessness, intervene in crisis and offer housing and support to more and more people, in God's grace we have grown over twenty new services across Scotland since 2018, rooted in your prayers and in your support.

Verse five of Psalm 126 declares that, "Those that sow with tears will reap with songs of joy". We are immensely grateful to you, our supporters, for your partnership with all the staff and volunteers at Bethany in sowing seeds of change, in people's lives, in communities and in society. Through your kindness we are now reaching over 7,000 people across Scotland every year.

Thank you sincerely for your partnership in enabling this lifechanging work. We are deeply grateful.

Alasdair Bennett Chief Executive



Back in 2021, Allana's story was the focus of our Winter Appeal. We caught up with her again to see how she is getting on, three years later...

I grew up in quite a dysfunctional family, my mum was an alcoholic and there was a lot of violence in the home. So, I got taken into care at a young age, I suppose you're just in that cycle. When I was about 25 I became homeless, and I was totally caught in the grips of addiction.

Allana slept on people's sofas and wandered the streets before applying for a room at Bethany House.

I rang up and there was one female bed available. Without that intervention it could have been so different. Bethany House, and the safety I felt when I was first there, it was so different to other places. The people were kind, there was this love, people welcomed you.

Through the support she received at Bethany House, Allana was able to work on her recovery and rebuild her life.

I always kept in touch with the people at Bethany. I came back as a volunteer and now I'm a Project Worker in Bethany House. I say to people [that] it doesn't feel like I'm working, it's something that I love doing: giving people hope.

## Bethany House

To be able to come from a place of lived experience, when you've been in the same situation, people think their life will never change. But I can share my story, and they realise I've been on the same journey. It's a way to open doors.

There is a real community within Bethany House.

People get their meals together. There's devotions and prayer, we go for walks, cinema trips, we open the pool room at night so everyone can spend time together. You do life with each other.





There was a girl who recently moved on to Anne Hope House [Bethany's therapeutic residential community for women who are homeless]. I got to take her there and drop her off, comforted in knowing I was leaving her somewhere safe and that it's going to change her life.

There's little seeds of change that took place in Bethany House, and now there will be even more transformation.

It's just a privilege, isn't it, to be able to do what we do.



### The Shed

### Iain and Lawrence's Story

lain Douglas is Bethany's Recovery and Development Coordinator at The Shed Project in Stornoway, on the Isle of Lewis. He shared with us how he works within the community, helping people who are struggling with alcohol and drug addiction...

I love to help people. I love the atmosphere of The Shed itself. It's just an amazing place.

It's a continuous journey with the people who come to The Shed Project. People can drop in themselves, or we've got good contacts with the Alcohol Drug Partnership who signpost them. I get to know people at first, build up a relationship, and then draw alongside them in the process [of recovery].

My colleague Lawrence is an example to the guys that come in that there is hope. Even from the very pits of the bottom, you can progress. I'm amazed by Lawrence's testimony and the work he now does. Lawrence, now a member of staff at The Shed Project, first came to Stornoway in 2015.

I came up here homeless, you know, it was tough, I sought help with a homeless unit and a key worker from there said I should go to The Shed. I was nervous, I wasn't sure what I was wanting in life. It took me a while to adjust, I was coming off drink, I was going off drugs.

I just wasn't used to the calmness and the warm welcome at a place like The Shed.

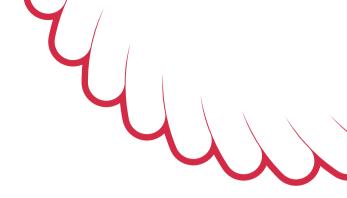
My manager helped me overcome my weaknesses even without me realising. Months later, I'd look back and say, 'wow'.

In the two years after Lawrence's recovery he started volunteering at The Shed before becoming a valued member of staff.

I've survived that journey. I hear about people who have died, you know... I mean, I could have been one of them. So it's only fitting for me, working here. I get to share, 'I've been in your shoes, I understand your pain.' I experienced that and now I will use that experience to try and help others.







## Access through Advocacy

Jax's Story

Jax McDowell, our Advocacy Worker for Access through Advocacy, tells the story of a day at work, shedding light on this life-changing preventative service that so often happens behind the scenes, on the computer and over the phone...

Arriving at work, I look at my emails and discover an urgent situation that is happening the next day; a woman is getting evicted from her property tomorrow morning.

My manager asks me if I could help try to stop the eviction. It is a single mum with two children, age 9 and 7. The woman also looks after her 19-year-old niece.

That's four people I have to try and stop getting evicted. This is the first time I've had to deal with such an imminent eviction. I come up with a plan of action: speak to my colleague who made me aware of the situation; contact the woman being evicted to check if due process has been followed; speak with the Housing Association; and research! How do you stop evictions?

I got a little bit more insight into the situation from my colleague Mair, a Community Support and Development worker.

I then call the tenant who is really worried about the potential of her family being made homeless. We discuss her finances and come to the conclusion she could only pay them £100. She isn't on any benefits and agreed that I could help her and her family apply for any benefits she was due. I also tell her I will call the Housing Association to see if we can stop the eviction with a proper payment plan in place.

I call the Housing Association and explain the urgency of the situation, they understand but can't take my call at that time. I have to wait for them to call me back. I do some research into Shelter Glasgow and contact the local MSP office to see if there is anything else that can be done... unfortunately no other solutions come up. I receive a call back from the Housing Association, we discuss the tenant's information and he lets me know the tenant has been in this situation for a while. Lask what amount the tenant could pay today to stop the eviction. They say it would need to be £2,000, an amount she just doesn't have. There is nothing else they can do.

I am glad that, today, we managed to stop homelessness for four people in Scotland.





I call the tenant to explain and ask if she could manage to get the money from friends or family. She says she will try. We have exhausted everything; my manager and I say a prayer.

Later that afternoon, I call the tenant again to see if she has managed to get any money and I nearly fall down when she says her neighbour has given her a loan and they are at the office right now, paying it in. I then speak with the Housing Association who confirmed she was there making the payment. The eviction will not be going ahead tomorrow.

I make sure to schedule follow-up calls with the tenant so I can continue to offer support and help her with benefits. Now our aim is to empower her with budgeting skills and equip her to access all that she is entitled to. We aim to prevent this happening again.

I am glad that, today, we managed to stop homelessness for four people in Scotland.

In the last year, our counselling support for young people in the West of Scotland has expanded, thanks in part to financial backing from the Scottish Government initiative, Cashback for Communities.

We spoke to Stashia D'souza about her experience as a Youth Therapeutic Worker and Counsellor, and her reflections on this particular need...

For some people, one of the worst effects of homelessness is the impact on their mental health, even to the point that they can't function in everyday life.

At Bethany UpStream we offer young people who are at risk of or have experienced homelessness the opportunity to access counselling. The need for counselling has increased drastically, you can see that reflected in waiting lists. [Often] people must wait so long to access counselling.

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I work with some young people who, without UpStream, would end up without the support they need.

Usually, my day is filled with five sessions or so, mostly one-to-one sessions with the young person. Young people who struggle with mental health might just not be able to show up, the chances of five young people showing up every day are quite low, that can be painful.

Our aim is to identify protective factors – a lot of things might be going wrong in a young person's life, but there are also a lot of things that are going right. We help find those sources of strength.

We work very closely with individuals, [focusing] on their needs and providing a safe space. Some young people are going to school, others can't make it to school, or they're on a reduced timetable.

Sometimes seeing me in sessions is their only point of contact, which can be so sad to see, but it's also amazing to see their commitment to trying to improve.

We work with a lot of people who are very sensitive, some are so socially isolated they don't want to be in a waiting room with anyone else. We have to be mindful, but this is a very loving, welcoming place.

The young people are so grateful for all of the support that they've received here.

I think the principles of love, value and serving others are present in our work with every person, right from the beginning to when they are ready to move on.



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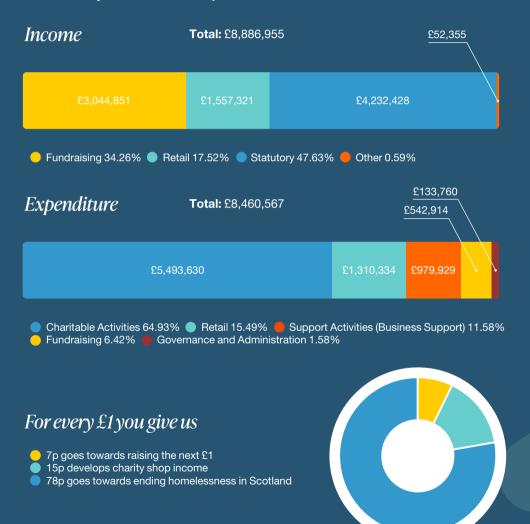
The collection of stories included in this year's Annual Report represent the positive change that we have seen in thousands of lives and communities across Scotland. Each of these stories starts with a seed – a bed, a warm meal, a conversation – that grows and blossoms over time.

The next few pages tell the story of Seeds of Change from a financial and statistical perspective – a snapshot of the year in numbers. The data reflects the seeds planted and the positive outcomes that have since grown. Thank you for being a part of this story.

### **Finances**

With so much of our income coming from your fundraising activities, donations and prayers, we feel it is important to show you how it is being spent. You can access our most recent Consolidated Accounts by visiting our website:

www.bethanychristiantrust.com/publications



### **Bethany's Integrated Approach**

Bethany Christian Trust takes an integrated approach, providing a wide range of support services that all work towards our aim of ending homelessness in specific, practical ways.

Our services are grouped into three streams of support, each addressing a different stage in the journey out of homelessness... strengthening communities, meeting people in their emergency and giving people a fresh start and place to call home.

Homelessness Prevention

Crisis

Housing & Support

### Homelessness Prevention

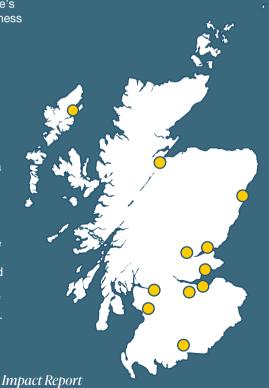
There are a number of reasons that people can become homeless in Scotland. We seek to increase people's resilience to the causes of homelessness before it occurs.

### Crisis Intervention

We are there for people in their moment of need too, providing safe, welcoming accommodation for people in immediate crisis. Once we've connected with people, we can develop individual solutions for a long-lasting impact.

### Housing & Support

We want to provide people who have been homeless with sustainable solutions in which they can thrive and grow. Our teams provide tenancies for families and individuals in need of a fresh start and a place to call home.



### **Bethany in Numbers**

We support over 7,000 people a year with over 30 different services across Scotland. Our staff collect data that helps us report on our work. The next three pages present this data, illustrating the long-term practical impact of Bethany Christian Trust.

### Homelessness Prevention

### Inspiring Leith

150 people linking monthly 9 regular community activities

### Community Support & Development (CSD) Fast & Dundee

962 individuals supported 543 CSD sessions facilitated

### **Connect to Community**

### **Community Support & Development North**

276 individuals supported 104 CSD sessions facilitated

### Community Support & Development West

191 individuals supported421 significant conversations

### **UpStream**

121 young people supported154 families supported

### **Creative Expressions**

93 facilitated sessions Audience reach of 1,878 people

### Access through Advocacy

96 referrals received 181 face-to-face meetings





1 in 3 people leaving Scottish prisons report not knowing where they will stay on release (*Scottish Prison Service, 2020*), and 24% of people will return to prison within 12 months of release from prison. On release day, our team meet people at the prison gate and help them settle into community.

A significant conversation is one in which a participant displays progress against one of our indicators. Topics discussed include: self confidence, financial health and recovery.



### Crisis Intervention

### **Welcome Centre**

13,204 bed spaces provided 63 people on average nightly

### Care Van Edinburgh

20,897 presentations 11,352 lunches provided

### **Care Van Glasgow**

2,454 presentations 2,454 lunches provided

### **Bethany Christian Centre**

100% improved accommodation 670 recovery group sessions

### **Gateway to Homes and Communities**

1,061 households furnished 7,916 starter packs

### Anne Hope House

100% developed new skills 435 activities & groups facilitated

### **Bethany House**

33 people moved-on positively 100% satisfied with support

### Care Van Perth & Stornoway Outreach

617 presentations in Perth52 people supported in Stornoway







A successful move-on is the right next step for each individual: it could look like an individual getting their own flat, or moving into longer-term supported living, restoring family relationships and moving back home, or even moving into a different Bethany service.

### Housing & Support

### **Kharis Court**

16 young people supported 100% successful moves-on

### **Housing First Edinburgh**

13 people supported12 accessed housing

### Fife Short Term Supported Housing

124 people sustained tenancies 107 referrals made for advice

### **Bethany Homes**

81 supported flats in total 40 new tenancies commenced

### **Move-On Support**

46 people supported 87% tenancies sustained

### **Supported Housing Dumfries**

16 moves to stable housing 945 drop-in attendances —

### **Fife Housing First**

21 people supported
14 new tenancies commenced





A drop-in is a place where people can come to receive practical support, access care and advice, and pause for a moment of refuge.

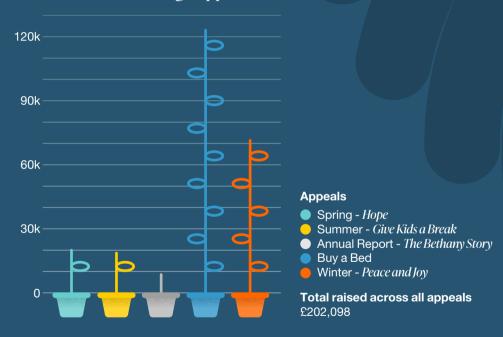
These statistics, alongside the inspiring individual stories told throughout the rest of the report, tell of Bethany's successes in our mission to relieve the suffering and meet the long-term needs of people who are homeless or at risk of becoming homeless in Scotland.

### The Power of Individual Giving

Each year we invite you to be a part of supporting Bethany financially through our seasonal appeals. In 2023-24, our appeals focused on:

- Kevin's story, whose life was transformed through Bethany's intervention
- the children and young people we support in the West of Scotland
- a look back at the impact of the last 40 years since Bethany was founded
- the life-saving impact of a bed at the Rapid Re-Accommodation Welcome Centre
- the story of Alex, who found light after trauma

### Total raised through appeals (£)



The above graph depicts the power of individual supporters working together to bring about lasting positive impact. Each donation, whatever the size, supports nurture and growth in people's lives.

### **Thank You**

The figures shown on the previous page are a testament to the generous giving of supporters not just in Scotland and the wider UK, but across the world.

### **Regular Giving**

Regular gifts are vital to the work of Bethany, giving us a reassurance of continuous support and helping us to plan and expand our services. We are so grateful to our community of supporters, committed to ending homelessness in Scotland. We could not do this without you.

Bethany had a total of 5,896 active supporters across the year.

The highest monthly total of regular supporters this year was 756.

### Leave a Legacy

Leaving a gift in your Will is a great way to Leave a Legacy; we are thankful to our supporters who have decided to leave a gift to Bethany Christian Trust. You are helping us to make long-term plans for the future of Bethany Christian Trust.

Between April 2023 and March 2024, 7 people committed to leaving Bethany a legacy gift.

### **Retail and Social Enterprise**

We are so thankful to all of you who partner with us by donating and buying at our charity shops, ordering your Caring Christmas Trees and fundraising and participating in events.

We sold a total of 3,330 Caring Christmas Trees this year.

You gave a total of £147,732 at our events this year.

Our shops raised a total of £1,557,321 this year.

### Gift Aid

Charities in the UK received £1.6bn through gift aid in 2023-24, the same as the year before (source: HM Revenue & Customs). If you are a UK taxpayer, we can claim 25p for every £1 you donate for no extra cost to the donor. Signing up to add Gift Aid to your donations makes a huge difference!

We claimed a total of £130,766 through Gift Aid on financial donations this year.

Thank you for partnering with us!



Leeanne first came to the Connect Café in Dundee a few years ago. She was seeking support, recovery from addiction, and community. She has since completed Bridge to Freedom, a year-long course that supports people on their journey free from addiction, and volunteers at the weekly drop-in community cafe. She shared her story with us...

My dream as a wee girl was to grow up and play football. I never wanted to grow up and be a drug addict.

But my mum sold drugs and stuff like that. So, I started dabbling in things... It was almost like a learnt behaviour, experimenting with my friends. My mum and dad weren't really parental. They didn't really have that love in them to pour out.

## Connect Café Leeanne's Story

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Along the way, I went to college, and I tried working... but to be honest, I started selling drugs. When I was selling, I was making more money than when I was working.

I knew that was wrong, but it was something that I just couldn't take myself away from. I decided to go to rehab because I thought, "I'm not going to get away from this here". At rehab I met David [partner at the time] and had my daughter. We were alright for about five years.

But then we started to slip and drift away from the church [we were attending]. We didn't have that support network. My daughter ended up at her granny's, and I went into selling drugs. I ended up in jail, then I had a head injury and was transferred to hospital. It was a bleed on the brain.

I took a minor stroke and I've been left with epilepsy. It was a major wake up call.







Bethany Christian Trust run Connect Café in partnership with Menzieshill Parish Church and CrossReach, providing a weekly free drop-in space for people in the community. Leeanne appeared one week and was welcomed with warm food and a friendly face. Gradually, she began her journey towards recovery with support from staff and volunteers.

Being an addict, trust is a very big issue. It takes a long time to start to trust people... [When I was an addict] I started to take drugs to numb that pain. Now that I've got a bit of clarity in my life, relationships are really important to me. That's what I get here [at Connect Café]. There are services that come in and work with people and point me in the right direction. [But most of all] this group helps me socialise, helps me get other people's perceptions on things.

The girls that come are still in recovery themselves

It's good being able to share what I've been through... being that little bit of light in their darkness. I can share and I'm not judged.

Now, I enjoy volunteering at Connect Café because I enjoy seeing people who come to the café being able to access services that helped me on my journey. It is sad when you see people come in here and you know they're just existing from day to day. But you start to see [that coming here] builds their confidence. People need to know that there's places like this you can come to and get help.

The focus for my future is my daughter and getting my health back together. I was sick of just existing; [I'm focusing] on living.

Since speaking with Leeanne, she has been accepted on a college course and will soon begin working towards a qualification in Social Sciences.



### **Inspiring Leith**

### Hana's Story

Bethany's Inspiring Leith project is centred on the idea of building upon existing strengths and passions of people within the community. The Community Development Workers provide practical support to facilitate activities that bring the community together and bring about positive and long-lasting change in people's lives. Hannah Kitchen Kirby shared this story about one community member. Hana...

Hana has been involved in both the Conversation Group and Cables Wynd House resident's group for more than five years.

Since I moved from Sudan, my life changed a lot. It's changed for the better, I learn every day. It's important for me to learn.





Hana has experienced considerable adversity since she moved to Leith, but is incredibly community minded, positive and willing to get involved in things.

Inspiring Leith Community Development Worker, Hannah, has been in frequent contact over the last five years. Visiting Hana at home and going for regular walks with her during the pandemic, she has built the sort of trusting relationship that is central to our holistic approach.

Through chatting together, Hana came up with the idea for a conversation group where she and others could practice English. Hannah supported her to get the group set up and facilitated the sessions. At first, attendance was transient, with people often dropping in without much commitment. As the community has shifted and developed, the group now has people from many nationalities attending regularly.

The Conversation Group has helped give Hana a sense of belonging:

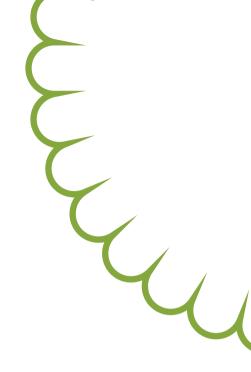
'I feel at the group that I actually know people – what they like, what they don't like, their traditions, cultures... I have made proper friends.'

Spending time together – sharing about families, weddings, illnesses and life experiences – has been key to Hana's feeling that she really knows people in her new home.

From the Conversation Group, Hana has become more involved with community activism in her block of flats. She is eager to bring positive change to her community, campaigning for improved conditions in the flats and catering for a residents' Fun Day in the summer.







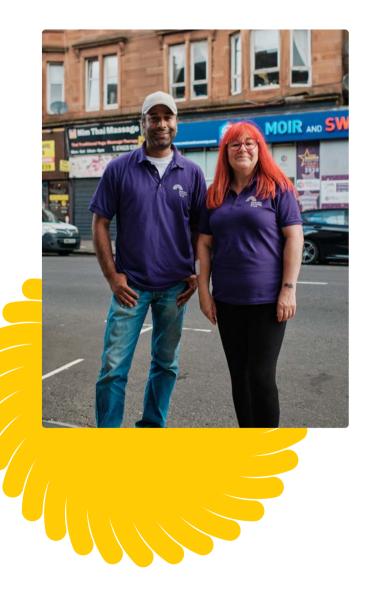
Reflecting on the journey, Hannah says:

'Hana is a good example of someone who has benefitted from building trust in a one-to-one setting. The foundation of a trusting relationship [with Inspiring Leith Community Development Workers] has allowed her to take part in many other things, as well as to ask for help when she is trying to navigate life in a new country.'

'Feeling safe in this sense of belonging, Hana has become more open to different learning experiences, seizing opportunities that make life better for herself, her family, and her community.' The benefit Hana has experienced through time, trust, relationship and support is lifechanging:

I am growing; I'm not the same as before, my mind is more open. I have lots of choices – to learn, to work. I'm excited about my life.





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Bethany opened its first Glasgow charity shop, on Duke Street, in 2022.

With Shelly as manager, it has quickly become a well-accepted member of the bustling local community. Some of the residents of Bethany Homes Glasgow (supported flats in the local area) spend time volunteering in the shop. James spends a few days a week arranging window displays, running the till, organising stock and chatting with customers and staff.

**Shelly**: I used to work as a care worker, supporting people with disabilities before specialising in care for people with mental health challenges. After Covid, I needed a change, so I moved into managing shops.

Working for Bethany lined up with my personal values. I'm a people person. I like caring for people, getting the best out of them. I like seeing people move forward.

In the shop, I'm still using the skills from my experience as a mental health worker. Caring for people working in the shop... and caring for people coming into the shop too. I'm like the mother; it's a family feeling here! It feels natural.

I want people to come in the door and feel welcome. We know people by first name. It's such a nice feeling when I see staff and volunteers speaking with customers and being a part of that culture.

James is coming up to about a year in the shop now. He's come a long way since arriving with us.



We asked James to share some of his story, and how he came to volunteer with Shelly at the shop.

James: My father was an abusive alcoholic who died when I was aged 8 or 9. I remember praying to God to not take my father away as I discovered him suffering a heart attack while he was so drunk that he couldn't move, right in front of me. My life changed from that moment.

Back in those days there was no mental health support and I'd block out the bad memories.

I don't know the reasons why I started drinking, [after] experiencing first-hand how much damage it had done. Over the years it became worse and I'd turned into my dad at his worst. I hated myself the more I drank.



James moved to the US, got married and had two daughters. I was living the American dream.' His addiction, though, gradually took over. His marriage broke down, he lost custody of his girls, and anger and alcohol took hold of his life.

'My life was crashing about me.'

He returned to the UK in the hope of a new start. For some time, he found it – a new job, a loving relationship... but things didn't last.

I was carrying regret, shame, anger, jealousy and she endured it until she'd had enough. My addiction was peaking and I didn't care about anyone or myself.

Jail was the only place for me. I was a danger to myself and others. It would be the first time in many years I'd be sober. I'd obtained a bible and was reading all the time. Learning of God's forgiveness, love and his power to transform. I'd cry tears of shame every night, but God was doing work with me.

One morning, David from Bethany Christian Trust came to see me in jail. I wasn't expecting a visit but, from that meeting, my life changed again. I was not only offered a place to stay but also promised support would be available for my mental health, addictions, my financial mess, my heart.



As part of my recovery, my resettlement worker with Bethany Christian Trust encouraged me to volunteer at the Bethany Charity Shop in Dennistoun, Glasgow. A suggestion that was significant to gaining back my self-confidence, confidence in others and [my sense of] purpose.

**Shelly**: In the shop, his confidence has excelled. He's happy taking responsibility. He's just a different person. People comment all the time how friendly and confident he is.

He has the drive, he has the passion. He really wants to push forward.

He gets fantastic support from the Bethany team, but the shop has really helped push him out of his comfort zone.

James: The best perk of the job [is] Shelly and the team. I've never really worked at a place where everyone treats you with respect, dignity and love, like they do at the Bethany Shop. I am trusted.







**Shelly**: We are a team. We communicate well. If someone's had a bad day, we take a moment, put on the kettle. We can talk. People are comfortable to talk and share. I feel lucky that I have this group of people alongside me.

James: It's been over a year now. I've been fighting with alcohol still but it's a battle I am winning because I am not alone. I've become a serving member of my community... I really enjoy being part of something with a real purpose and vision.

**Shelly**: It's like a standing joke here, but I always say,

'We're more than just a shop'

I'm passionate about what Bethany are doing.

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