



The Lighthouse Beacon

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Love thy Neighbor

2,400 Homeless served since January 2007
(Over 500 Children and 300 Veterans)

70% from Williamson County

25% from neighboring Counties

5% were transients

A disabled mother and her disabled teenage son were evicted from their home due to lack of money management skills. The Lighthouse Shelter assisted with money management and they were able to rent a home in Marion. The shelter also helped with furniture, bedding, household goods and food for their pantry.

A senior citizen had been living with his aged mother who died in late June. He was evicted from the rental home because his Social Security retirement was too low to afford rent. He lived on the street for a few days before coming to the shelter. The Lighthouse assisted him in filing for SSI Aged Benefits which have been approved and he is now living in public housing.

A family of three (mom, dad and a 10 year old son) lost their home due to some legal difficulties. Dad worked at a local home health agency. They were able to solve their legal problems and return home.

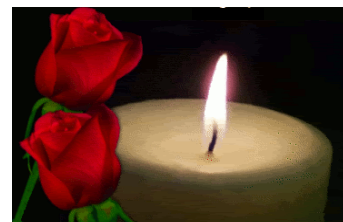
A couple with a small child obtained employment and secured permanent housing in Murphysboro. The Lighthouse assisted them with furniture.

A single woman was evicted from a friend's home. She is employed at a local long term care facility. The shelter helped her secured her own apartment.

TO GOD BE THE GLORY !!!

REMEMBER THE LIGHTHOUSE

“Remember The Lighthouse” reflects memorial bequests made for a loved one. You may also choose to honor someone who has touched your life by their legacy or simply a special occasion you would like to share.



Memorial Bequest: *Gregg Gietzman*

Charles Reynolds

Mary Lou and Addison Roberts

In Memory of : *Hershell Denton* from his daughter, Sharon Atchison

David Atchison from his brother, Cecil

William Novick from Bob and Mary Wilkas & Ivan and Wanda Zwick

Bill Wilson from his daughter, Danalyn (Wilson) West

Mabel Grisley from John and Judy Grisley

Vincent Tomasini from his wife, Frances

Mary Lou Roberts from Ivan and Wanda Zwick

In Honor of : *Bernice Denton* Happy Birthday from her daughter, Sharon Atchison

Doug Fuqua's Happy Birthday from family and friends

Doug and Evelyn Fuqua's Happy Anniversary from numerous friends

Peggy Oslay from Beverly Griffith

Evelyn Jones Happy Birthday from Beverly Griffith



Thanks to all the churches and individuals who give monthly to fund our mission ministry. The involvement of the community is essential to our ongoing success. With our 501(c)3 status, all donations are tax deductible.

Then the King will say to those on his right; 'Come, you who are blessed by my Father; take your inheritance, the kingdom prepared for you since the creation of the world. For I was hungry and you gave me food; I was thirsty and you gave me drink; I was a stranger and you invited me in; I needed clothes and you clothed me, I was sick and you looked after me, I was in prison and you came to visit me.'

Then the righteous will answer him, 'Lord when did we see you hungry and feed you, or thirsty and give you something to drink? When did we see you a stranger and invite you in or needing clothes and clothe you? When did we see you sick or in prison and go to visit you?'

The King will reply, 'I tell you the truth, whatever you did for one of the least of these my brethren, you did for me'. Matthew 25: 34-40



Rob Jones and his youth group traveled from Port Neches, Texas last week to do a mission day at the Lighthouse. Rob was with Marion Third Baptist before relocating to Texas and did a mission painting project here with Marion Third youth in 2010.



Kelly Dover's 5th grade class from Trinity Christian School shared in a "Make a Difference" day at the Lighthouse. They kept busy cleaning and organizing in various areas of the shelter.



The Little Grassy Methodist Camp group from Belleville completed two days of service, cooking, serving lunch, painting and organizing the pole barn.



Southern Illinois Christian Service Camp youth from West Frankfort came for a mission day of service to mow, organize the library and kids area.



1st Annual Lighthouse Shelter

5K RUN/WALK

- ★ Prizes ★ T-Shirt
- ★ Refreshments & Homemade baked items
- ★ Face painting & Entertainment

\$20. entry fee before October 22 and \$25. after October 22. Registration form can be downloaded at www.thelighthouseshelter.com

COMING SOON !!!! The Lighthouse Shelter “Thrift Shoppe”

The shop will be located just off the Tower Square Plaza on East Main Street and will sell community donated items to help in funding the shelter.

We also have a furniture depot where we receive donated furniture and small appliances to assist our residents when they move into their own homes. If you have something to donate to either mission, just call the shelter at 993-8180. We are so thankful for both.

Need a ministry ? We need men with a truck or trailer, both to pick up furniture donations within the community and move the residents into their homes when they depart the shelter.

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Return Service Requested