

The Lighthouse Beacon

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3,350 Homeless served since January 2007

(Over 800 Children and 320 Veterans)

70% from Williamson County

25% from neighboring Counties

5% were transients

A middle aged woman moved in with a friend which turned out to be temporary. Her friend left the area and she had no place to go. She was hired by a local hotel and given room and board and a small monthly salary in exchange for work. She was very pleased with the arrangement.

A young man came to the shelter after losing his job. He was hired as a part time cook at two different restaurants. He opens at one and closes at the other. He started attending group Bible study which resulted in him attending church, committing his life to Christ and joining that church family. He applied and was accepted for public housing. The shelter provided furniture and household items for his new apartment. He expressed his sincere gratitude for all of the help he received from the shelter and gave the glory to God.

A 57 year old single father became responsible for his two children when their mother left the state. He was referred to SICCM to apply for work under a senior program. He was accepted and started working in Herrin. A church friend provided child care. He applied and received public housing. The shelter provided food and furniture.

A 72 year old veteran on social security had medical issues and was without a home. He was able to secure affordable housing and be close to the VA hospital for his medical needs.

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 25:40

TO GOD BE THE GLORY!!!

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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.



IN HONOR of:

Ivan Zwick's retirement from Raymond James from Iona Duvall

IN MEMORY of:

Our Parents from Guy and Yolanda Peterson

Fred Becker from John and Judy Grisley

Fran Lentz from John and Judy Grisley

Laurel D. Mandrell from his wife, Wanda Mandrell

Winifred Mitchell from Monte and Bonnie Franklin, Thomas and Gloria

Oates, Disciples Sunday School Class, Aldersgate Methodist Church, Cecil and Sharon Atchison, Brad and Rainee Mitchell, Scarlett Miller, Don and Kendra Delap, Stephen and Jo Rana Smith, Robert Main D.D.S, Edwin and Sue Tresnak, and Michael Reel.

William E. Burns from Mike and Michelle Clark

Barbara Fullerton from John and Judy Grisley

Travis (son of Brenda Quinn) from John and Judy Grisley

Peggy Ford from Vance and Nana Koenegstein

Jeff LeGrand & Gladys Ryder from Ivan and Wanda Zwick

Bill Havins brother-in-law of Ivan and Wanda Zwick

Eric Kunstman & Carol Kelly from Ivan and Wanda Zwick

Edward "Shorty" Alsip from Ivan and Wanda Zwick



Marion Third Baptist fundraiser proceeds matched by Women's Life C615 group was presented to shelter director, Sharon Atchison by Gerald Feezor and Crystal Hubbs



Lake of Egypt Christian Church Bible School pupils collected monetary donations for the shelter.



Knock Hunger out of the Park at Rent One Park was sponsored by Farmer's Bank. We also received two van loads of canned goods and paper goods.



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.

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Happy 1st Birthday little Emily. We presently have 12 children residents. Two that have turned one year old in the past three months.



Baby Skylar is enjoying her activity book. She will be one in September.



Brownie troop 8250 children made a variety of lovely colorful pillows as a mission activity. Sharing the love with the residents.



Lil Caesar's "Love kitchen" provided pizza and Cub Scout Troop 21 from Zion church, prepared the salad and desserts and served the residents at their tables.



Beulah Holiness Camp youth (24 students) spent the morning serving and sharing God's love with the residents. They said, "We had a blast!". Pictured at far right is TLS administrative aide, Barbara Tullis.



The Elkville Christian Church drove a distance to share their talents and serve lunch to the residents.



SICCM, Occupational Therapy PROGRAM, were on a mission to serve the residents at the Lighthouse.

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★ Kids Fun Run

\$20. entry fee includes t-shirt, before August 12th and \$25.after the 12th. Registration form available at www.thelighthouseshelter.com

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