

NEHEMIAH HOUSE RECENT GRADUATES

We are proud of all of our graduates. Our next graduation will be held on Tuesday, March 9, 2010 at Northeast Christian Church. Everyone is invited to celebrate the graduation of Shawn Joseph, Jeremy Spence, Tim Price, and Joey Johnson.

Recent graduates are:

October: James Rankin

December: Chris Hall, Tim King, Ehren Woerner.



NEW VAN

The Lighthouse Ministries van has a bright new look thanks to a specialized van wrap from Ad Color of Lexington and donations of time and talent from Serif Group (design) and Shaun Ring (photography).

GENEROUS DONATION IS A WONDERFUL WAY TO START THE NEW YEAR

“Unbelievable!” That was Tay Henderson’s reaction to the \$500,000 donation that arrived in the mail December 28. At first Tay thought the large envelope marked “personal” was an application or perhaps even a critical note. But inside was a check for half a million dollars. “At first it looked fake, and I thought, ‘Is this real?’ but then

I saw who it was from and realized it was very real,” said Tay. The donor of this generous gift to Lighthouse has asked to remain anonymous.

“You know what this means,” said Tay excitedly, “It means we’re going to build us a building!” The donation brings Lighthouse one step closer to the goal of constructing a new building that has been planned since 2008. The new building will be next door to the existing building on Elm Tree Lane and will house a larger kitchen and dining facility and women’s shelter, named The Rachael House. The new facility will allow Lighthouse to extend the current men’s program and increase the number of free meals offered each day.

“This donation takes us halfway to our goal,” said Tay. “Now it is possible for us to begin construction!” The project may have to be completed in phases, but this donation has jump-started the process. Tay estimates that another \$400-\$500 thousand in generous donations would make the entire building project a reality.

NEW BUILDING

Cans for Change

Lighthouse recently launched a new fundraising effort. Supporters can now get can banks for collecting change at homes, churches and businesses. To get your can, call 259-3434. One can of spare change (roughly \$25) can feed a homeless person at Lighthouse for two weeks.



We appreciate all donations.

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