

# The Beacon

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## Prayer Points:

- ◆ For financial support so we can continue our work.
- ◆ For office space to be provided.
- ◆ For wisdom for the Advisory Board members.
- ◆ For a second house to be donated.
- ◆ For volunteers to step forward to help.
- ◆ For the men that will be starting our program in the near future.
- ◆ For guidance and direction as we move forward.
- ◆ For guidance as we seek to add new members to our board.

## Shining On



A Light in  
the Darkness

I can't believe it has been almost two years since I sat down with a close friend at my dining room table and shared my dream and desire to start a biblically-based, discipleship program for those struggling with addiction. Though it has not turned out exactly how we envisioned it, I am extremely grateful for the journey that God has been leading me on as I have watched what was once a dream become reality. I stand amazed that in only a few short weeks, The Lighthouse will be welcoming our first residents into our new Life Recovery Home.

As I continue to reflect on the growth and development of The Lighthouse, I am reminded of one of my favorite stories in Scripture. As Jesus spoke to the adulterous woman, He said, "I do not condemn you, either. Go. From now on sin no more." He then spoke and said, "I am the Light of the world; he who follows Me

will not walk in the darkness, but will have the Light of life" (John 8:10-12). Jesus offers her hope. Not the false hope that the world offers, but everlasting hope, found only in Him.

My heart breaks for those in our community who are lost in the darkness of addiction, lost without hope. The Lighthouse stands as a beacon of hope to a dark and hurting world, a light in the darkness, sharing the eternal hope that can only be found in Christ. The launching of The Lighthouse feels like it has gone on forever; however, by God's grace, it is only beginning.

Only By His Grace,

*Brandon Bower*  
Brandon Bower

Founder & Co-Laborer in Christ

## Work Team

Our friends from Grace Bible Church in IL donated their time and labor doing much needed work at our Life Recovery Home. They cleaned, painted, cleaned up landscape and removed siding. The board of The Lighthouse offers our sincere thanks for your hard work!



## We Have Bunkbeds!



Earlier this year, I met with Mark Terrell, the CEO of Lifeline Youth & Family Services. He expressed the desire to help The Lighthouse in any way that he could. When he heard about the request for bunkbeds, Mark contacted us, explaining that Lifeline Youth & Family Services has a woodworking shop where young boys can gain life-skills, and they chose to take on The Lighthouse bunkbed project. We are so grateful for our collaboration with Lifeline and are thrilled with the quality of the work from the boys in their workshop. Great job guys!

## Our Needs

The Lighthouse still has need of several things. Let us know if you can help with any of the following:

1. Volunteer to help with event planning.
2. Prayer partners.
3. Volunteer to help with lawn care.
4. A bagless vacuum for our Life Recovery Home.
5. Monthly financial partners.
6. Office space for our operations.

## SHARING CHRIST'S LOVE WITH THOSE IN NEED



*You're Invited...*



## Ribbon Cutting Ceremony

Our Life Recovery Home is opening soon, and we are celebrating with a Ribbon Cutting Ceremony! You are invited to join us on Saturday, July 23rd, at 10:00 AM as we celebrate what God has provided. We will be giving tours, answering questions, and giving you time to interact with our board members. Refreshments will be provided. We look forward to celebrating with you!

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## Thanks To All Our Volunteers!



*The Lighthouse exists to serve men who struggle with a life-altering addiction. By showing the love and compassion of Christ, we strive to minister to all within our reach with the transforming message of the Gospel.*