

# The Beacon

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As Christmas draws near, I find myself reflecting on the hope-filled story of Christ's birth. Not as you may think though, when Joseph and Mary arrived in Bethlehem the night of Jesus' birth, they were turned away because there was no room at the inn. I find myself relating with the inn-keeper as the reality of present day sets in. I recently received a call from a man who pleaded with me for a bed at our Life Recovery Home; sadly, I had to turn him away, explaining I had no room. My heart was heavy and my eyes filled with tears as I hung up the phone, I was not able to provide the room he was desperately seeking nor was I able to provide him hope that day. The fact is he is not the only man I have had to turn away due to the lack of room in our Life Recovery Home.

God uses these moments to motivate and inspire me to do more. *I am happy to announce the opening of our second Life Recovery Home this December!*

This is truly a great way to celebrate Christ's birth by providing hope and support to those who are broken and hurting. With the opening of this second home, The Lighthouse will now, have 16 beds available. As we work hard to finish the final touches, please pray for our team, our future residents, and the impact we can have on our community through our transitional housing program.

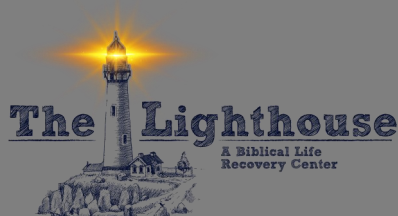
We need your help now more than ever! Please consider sending a gift this Christmas season to support our work and help spread HOPE to the hurting. After all, Christmas is a time of hope; will you help us share the hope of Christ with those we serve?

Merry Christmas,

Brandon Bower

## GRAND OPENING CELEBRATION

Join us December 17th at 2 PM



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**G**reg was our first resident and the first graduate of our program! We are excited about his journey and pray that he stands strong moving forward. We presented Greg with a baton and encouraged him to continue running the race that has been set out before him. George (pictured with Greg) has been and continues to be a strong supporter of Greg after the two were linked together through our mentorship program. Congratulations Greg, we are proud of you!

# HELP US!

**O**ur second Life Recovery House (pictured on the front) will open this month! Here is a list of items we still need:

- \* Couch, End Tables, Flat Screen Television, DVD Player, Desk, Book Shelves
- \* Drinking Cups, Toaster, Coffee Pot, Towels & Washcloths
- \* Cleaning Supplies, Toilet Paper, Paper Towels, Bagless Vacuum
- \* 10-12 Matching Conference Room Chairs
- \* 2 Dressers, 10 Pillows (new), 5 Box Fans
- \* Laundry Baskets, Laundry Detergent, Dryer Sheets
- \* Picnic Table, Charcoal Grill
- \* Notebooks, Pens, 3 Ring Binders, Envelopes, Copy Paper
- \* Menards or Lowes Gift Cards for Needed Repairs

**All items need to be new or in good used condition. If you would like to donate funds, or one of the items listed above, please contact us!**