

Thank you for being the hands and feet of Jesus

Dear Partners,

Your 2023 financial contribution has touched and left a lasting impact on the lives of thousands of individuals in our community. Thank you for your support, you are a vital part of all that this ministry accomplished last year.

Your giving makes a difference....

In the digitalized world that we live in today, the human touch can sometimes be lost! You can hardly call a business without getting a recording, most stores have self check-outs, and some doctor visits are even virtual.

Nonetheless, human touch can still be found at The Lighthouse Mission. We utilize all the resources put in our hands to bring relief to the sufferings of those living in despair, this is how we extend God's love and compassion.

More importantly than the touch of human beings, is the touch of God on the lives of those the mission serves. Your private donations enable us to proudly and freely share the love of Christ, and the good news of salvation with others.

We count it an honor to serve as your local missionaries. We look forward to what our working together will accomplish in 2024.

The Keepers of The Light,
Richard and Geri Gomez



Christ has no body but yours, no hands, no feet on earth but yours.
Yours are the eyes through which His COMPASSION looks out upon the world.
Yours are the feet with which He walks to do GOOD.
Yours are the hands, with which he BLESSES all the world. –Mother Teresa

LIVES
IMPACTED
in
2023

SOUP KITCHEN
Meals served
45,752

CLOTHING BANK
Individuals clothed
14,564

DISCIPLESHIP PROGRAM
graduates
12

EMERGENCY SHELTER
NIGHTS SHELTERED
843



“GOD made my heart complete
when I placed all the
pieces before him.”

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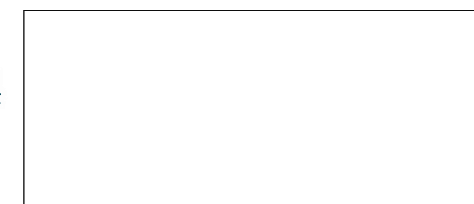
NEEDS

GIRL'S CLOTHING

Sugar, cooking oil,
dry beans, flour,
paper lunch bags

FEBRUARY 2024

RETURN SERVICE REQUESTED



36
Years Strong

Four Truths About God's Love for the Poor

1. God values everyone.

God values all people equally. He isn't more impressed with a successful entrepreneur than a penniless beggar. They are both precious in his sight. No matter where you are on the pecking order, God values you. That is a reason to praise him.

2. God never forgets any of us.

But God will never forget the needy; the hope of the afflicted will never perish. (Psalm 9:18)

We can all list the names of A-list stars. They're unforgettable. The poor around us, however, are invisible and forgotten. But not by God. He remembers every one of us. Not one of us wastes away in anonymity. God sees all of us and is watching over us. That is a reason to praise him.

3. God is moved by our suffering.

Remember the story of Jesus and the widow who lost her only son? Her funeral procession was passing by Jesus. Do you remember how he responded when he saw this devastated and vulnerable woman?

And when the Lord saw her, he had compassion on her... (Luke 7:13)

Jesus was moved by her pain and vulnerability—and he did something. He raised her son back to life. No suffering in this world escapes God. Your suffering does not escape God. The suffering of the poor does not escape God. That is a reason to praise him.

4. God cares about justice.

But you, God, see the trouble of the afflicted; you consider their grief and take it in hand. The victims commit themselves to you; you are the helper of the fatherless. (Psalm 10:14)

God wants people to be treated fairly. That's why we find him coming alongside the poor. They're vulnerable. The odds are stacked against them. It's not that God wants to elevate the poor over others; he simply has their back so they aren't mistreated. And he has your back too. That's a reason to praise him.



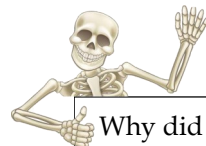


Emergency Shelter,
Soup Kitchen,
Discipleship (recovery)
Program, Clothing Bank,
Furniture redistribution
center

LOVE GOD, LOVE OTHERS

- If God values the poor, shouldn't I?
- If God remembers the poor, shouldn't I?
- If God is moved by the suffering of the poor, shouldn't I be moved too?

BECAME PART OF THE LIGHTHOUSE SUPPORT TEAM AND HELP US RESCUE LIVES AND REACH SOULS



Why did the skeleton break up with his girlfriend?

Because his heart was not in it!

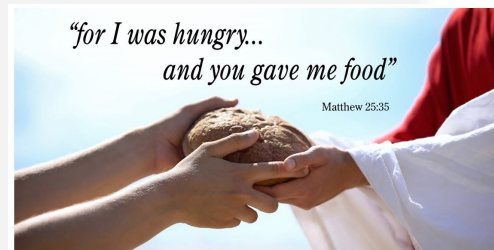
“Love is **patient** and **kind**; love does not **envy** or **boast**; it is not **arrogant** or **rude**. It does not insist on its own way [**selfish**]; it is not **irritable** or **resentful**; it does not rejoice at wrongdoing [**evil**], but **rejoices** with the **truth**. Love bears all things [**protects**], **believes** all things, **hopes** all things, **endures** all things.” ~ 1 **Corinthians** 13:4

Mission Profile-

It was a cold and windy Monday, when Sharon (not her real name) showed up at the mission asking for food for her family. That is nothing unusual, the mission serves 140+ meals a day to those with need.

What was different about her situation was that she was a teenager and the fact that she had walked quite a long way to make sure her mother and young sister would have something to eat.

A huge thank you goes out to all those that donate food and finances to The Lighthouse. It is because you are so generous that this family and so many more never have to go hungry.



LESSON LEARNED

God takes broken Hearts and makes them Whole!

August 3rd, 2023, we saw a familiar face walk through our doors, Miquela was back.

Back in October of 2019 Miquela had joined the Women's Disciple Program to kick the meth addiction. However, circumstances beyond her control caused her to leave at the halfway point.

This time she was battling a much stronger demon, Fentanyl addiction.

Before we can judge, we must understand why the addict would put something into their body knowing that it could and would possibly strip their life of everything good. Moreover, one pill of this drug holds the potential to take her life. For Miquela, it was Fentanyl that helped her drown out the thoughts and stop feeling pain.

Prior to coming to The Lighthouse, Miquela was in a very dark pit/grave. She flat lined and lived. When she came to, the only number her phone would dial was that of one of the program teachers, Mrs. Delta. Now that is what I call "divine intervention".

Now, here is my story...

Day 1, Miquela looked beat up and broken. She had no joy and no peace. My heart hurt for her.

When she was out there in the muck and the mire someone told her to keep her faith no matter what she was going through. She stood on 1 Peter 1:9, she exchanged her brokenness for gift of salvation through Christ.

Then right before my eyes, she transformed: Layer after layer of junk fell off, revealing a new and godly woman. Miquela gives all glory of God for making her a new creation.

God is alive and working today! He can and does change lives, Miquela is living proof! She is sober, strong in her faith, attending a CR group, in church, employed, and God is restoring her family ties.

Your Co-labour in Christ, Geri Gomez



Dear God, I come before you today with a humble heart and a desire to be more like you. Fill me with your Spirit of kindness and compassion so that I may be a light to those around me. Help me to remember as I go about my day.

Philippians 2:3

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