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Meals, Shelter and Hope Since 1923

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For the glory of God, Lighthouse Mission Ministries desires to minister to needy men, women and children through the provision of compassionate resources and services in the Name of Jesus Christ.

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A Cause for Praise

Praise 106.5's team raced to bring homeless women and children indoors during the Ski To Sea race.

Thank you Praise 106.5!

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The Mission was my saving grace

Hello, My name is Mary and I was a resident at the Agape Home. Before then, I was broken, hurt, and I thought that I was doomed. Although I didn't know it then, I believe that the Mission was my saving grace.

"I learned to care about myself and others."

I had no idea that there was help for addicts like me—never mind a God that could love me and forgive me. My daughter and I arrived at Agape when I was just two weeks sober. I learned that there is such a thing as recovery.

The wonderful staff showed me the way. It has taken some time, but now I finally understand the things that people and staff said to me while I was there. Their tough love helped me stay on track. I know that they really cared about me and my daughter and that they wanted what was best for us. I learned to care about myself and others.

Thank God, I've been sober for four years now. And thank *you* for being there when I needed you.

Love, Mary



Adopt-A-Meal Volunteer Opportunity

Over 200 meals are served to hungry men, women and children, each day of the year, at the Mission and Agape Home. If your group or family would like to learn about how you can *Adopt-A-Meal*, please call Marky at 733-5120, extension 107, or email at LMV@inbox.com. We appreciate everyone's help.



Lighthouse Mission's Programs and Services

- Emergency Shelter for men and women
- Homeless Shelter for men
- Agape Home (Homeless Shelter for mothers with children)
- Homeless Shelter for single women
- Three daily community meals
- Long-term rehabilitation program for men
- Medical clinic
- Special Needs Dorm for mentally and emotionally fragile men
- Christ-centered 12-step meetings
- Daily chapel services
- Free furniture, personal needs items and clothing as available

Because You Gave

January - May 2007

BEDS PROVIDED

<u>The Mission</u>	10,188
<u>New Life Center</u>	1,215
<u>Agape Women's Home</u>	1,686
Total Beds	13,089

MEALS PROVIDED

<u>The Mission</u>	16,284
<u>Agape Women's Home</u>	5,058
<u>Community Meals</u>	12,296
Total Meals	33,638

Pick up an extra . . . for LMM

Fruit juice
Macaroni or egg noodles
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Twin sheets
Men's underwear
Women's underwear
Children's underwear
Socks



Just a thought . . .

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PENNIES FROM HEAVEN

USATODAY on July 7, 2006 contained an article about the penny, which will celebrate its 200th anniversary in 2009. The article said:



We collect them in dusty jars, lose them under couch cushions and ignore them on the ground as we rush by. Once considered a good luck charm, the penny for many has become more of a copper-colored nuisance that has outlived its usefulness.

Although the majority of Americans want to keep the penny in circulation, support for elimination of the 1-cent coin is building. Fueling the momentum: For the first time in history, it costs more than a penny to manufacture a penny, thanks to soaring metals prices.

More than two-thirds (of Americans) say that when they see a "take a penny, leave a penny" dish at the cash register, they are more likely to leave their pennies behind for the next customer.

People we serve every day are like pennies. First, there are a lot of them (our government made almost 8 billion new pennies last year). We see a lot of people here while serving three meals a day and operating eight homeless programs. I read somewhere that Mr. Lincoln is on the penny because he cared for the common man – and there were so many of them.

Second, like pennies, some people think our clientele are more trouble than they're worth. People in crisis are hard work – often their lives are unmanageable – but those lives can be redeemed with God's help. Like pennies, lives can be salvaged.

Third, like pennies, I like to see people brought back into circulation, even if their contribution to society is minimal. All those changed lives with "IN GOD WE TRUST" imprinted on their hearts have an impact on our lives, businesses and churches as they interact with us all daily.

About all those pennies you see on the sidewalk - more than three-quarters of adults say that they pick a penny up when they see one on the ground, according to the USA TODAY/Gallup survey.

While pennies are Government issued, none of it is given to us by them. Our financial help comes from our caring community. The privately donated money we receive goes directly to help hurting people! IN GOD WE TRUST.

See a penny on the ground? Pick it up and send it us to use – we'll change a life with it.

God bless,

All donations to the Mission and Agape Home are used to help local homeless and needy men, women and children. Acceptance and participation are the same for everyone without regard to race, color, national origin, religion, or sex.

MY SUMMERTIME GIFT

Yes, Ron, you can count on me to help those in need during the summer season and throughout the year. **Here is my gift of:** _____

Name: _____

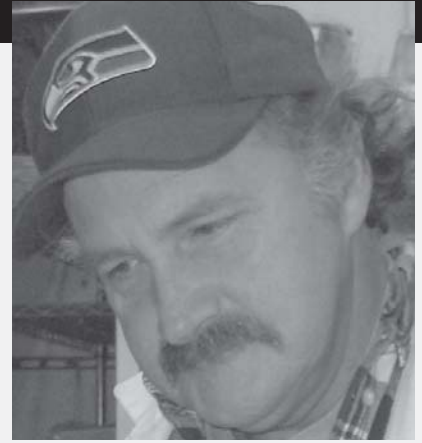
Address: _____

City/State/Zip: _____

Please accept my credit card donation: (please print)

Card Type _____ Exp. Date _____ / _____

Account # _____



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I am interested in learning about including Lighthouse Mission Foundation in my estate planning.

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All donor information is confidential. All gifts are tax-deductible to the fullest extent of the law.

One Mile March For Moms

To Provide Shelter For Local Homeless Mothers with Children

2nd
Annual

Agape

Walk

Saturday, August 4, 2007

Maritime Heritage Park

10:00 AM

Registration begins at 9:00 AM

Agape Walk is a fun-filled event in Bellingham, designed to raise money to support the efforts of Lighthouse Mission's Agape Home for women and children.

How to participate:

- " Become a Team Captain
- " Volunteer
- " Donor/Sponsor

You can help!
Call 360-671-1562 for information
or to sign up



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When the time comes to honor a loved one, why not remember those who are in need. A monetary gift to the Lighthouse Mission in memory of your loved one who has passed away, or in honor of a loved one, is an appropriate way to do this. We will send a card of notification to the family, or individual, if requested.

March - May 2007

Memorial:

All Mothers
 Anne
 Kay's & Al's Mothers
 David H. Ashton, Sr.
 Richard Bajema
 Lucille Ball
 Robert "Bob" Bertsch
 Carrie Blucher
 Mary E. Boyer
 Anna Brands
 Jewel E. Brown
 Marion Burgraff
 Julia Byrd
 Maxene & Elna Carm
 Carewe Costello
 Evelyn Cross
 Elizabeth Crowe
 Great Grandma Irene Delahoyde
 John DeGroot
 Lillian Downing
 Meredith Eide
 Eugene Entrican
 Edith Eriksen
 Jack Fickel

Marian Fuhrer
 Barbara Garcia
 Bud Hale
 Estella Hansen
 Vernon Austin Hanson
 Georgia R. Hathaway
 Hazel
 Mary Agnes Brim Hess
 Carol Hesselgrave
 June Helen Heutink
 Elaine Hobbs
 Florence Hoekstra
 James "Willie Bob" Hodgins
 Joe N. Honcoop
 Thelma Johnson
 Mindy Johnson/Feathers
 Janet Juvet
 Bertha Kersey
 Jane W. Killam
 Ralph Koster
 Maxine Kraft
 Ruth Kyllingmark
 Ruth Lockay
 Curt Maberry
 Carl MacLaurin
 June V. McClish
 Mable McConville
 Joshua Mills
 Katherine V. Moir
 Margit Moldver
 Agnes Moore
 Phyllis Mullen
 Michael Murray
 Wynne Barbara Myers
 Dottie Nuckolls
 Arendine Nyland
 Margaret L. Olson
 Nancy Olson
 Leah N. Otis
 Patricia K. Paul
 Anita Marcella Pederson
 Marilyn Ann Perry
 Marybell Petty
 Janette Plagerman
 Suzanne Marie Quistorf
 Helen Rauscher

Bertha Reimer
 Louise Riley
 Gertrude Rinehardt
 Raymond Ryer
 Susan Scheffler
 Emma Seidel
 Ronald D. Sodergren
 Catherine "Kitty" Stimpson
 Margret Stoeffen
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 Katie Unruh
 Dr. James VanSoest
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 Norma Vaughan
 Phyllis Walker
 Trudy Weaver
 Larry Wilkinson
 Elaine Winget
 Bill Wright
 Alma Young

A Tribute To:

All Mothers and Grandmothers
 Greta Bovenkamp
 Pauline Charlton
 Dolores Crandell
 Myrtle Josephine Ehrhard
 Christine Hoefakker
 Fawn Huff
 Marion Kamphouse
 Ruth Lichtenberg
 Melva Mathieu
 June Newell
 Betty Pederson
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