

“Expecting Miracles”

Loving Kindness

ABOUT US

Guiding Light is offering hope to teen mothers in need of housing and support. The safe environment encourages young mothers to complete their education, pursue employment and find transitional housing. Parenting classes are on site as well as hands on life skills, each resident takes on the responsibility of cooking one meal a week, their own laundry day and specific chores so they can maintain the operation of the home. We are currently able to house five expecting young ladies. We hope to have young ladies who are eager to learn and improve their way of life for the sake of their upcoming blessings and most importantly for themselves.

THANK YOU!!

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CLASSES

We offer parenting classes consistently every Wednesday at 10am. Other classes offered this month includes CPR, Interview Skills, Financial Class, Self Esteem and more. The interview skill class was a success thanks to Mary Beth Anderson, who taught the girls how to not only get the job, but gave great pointers on how to get an interview, with a positive attitude but with early preparation anything is possible!

Girl Talk: We have our “Girl Talk” sessions every week to try to help our young ladies process their thoughts and share with others who may or may not have similar struggles in their life. We share biblical points and wisdom to try to help the ladies apply Jesus to everyday life.

Guiding Light's Pledge Of Success

In this home imperfection roams

But so do hopes and dreams

People have tried to drag us through the dirt

But we will overcome, and come out clean

It IS my job to nurture and educate my child

And PROVE that dreams CAN come true

I am NOT a statistic, but a striving parent

Pushing and guiding my miracle through.

*Written by Dorrissa Luckett _Guiding Light
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Updates

In the beginning of June we housed four young ladies and are now down to two. The other two young ladies have moved on to build and mend their relationships with family members out of state. With leaving the Guiding Light, one of those young ladies has enrolled back in high school with hopes of obtaining a high school diploma. Hope Theirjung left with greater knowledge of what to expect as being a first time parent and “learned to have faith in God, and respect for myself.” Everyday we push these young ladies to get out and face the obstacles of the world. In a world full of “No” and “Maybe this isn’t the right time” we encourage our young ladies not to give up and have the determination to find another way when others think it isn’t possible.

MANY THANKS TO OUR FAITHFUL VOLUNTEERS: JOYCE BARGA, AMY FRUEH, DORRISSA LUCKETT, JULIE ROMIG, RAINA ROUSH, PHYLISS STATON, AND SPENCERVILLE GIRL SCOUTS.

We had a carwash on July 9th in front of Firestone on Elida Rd. It was a success. So many people came to support us! We will give notice of up and coming events. Thanks to everyone who have helped Guiding Light through the years.

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