

RESCUE & RECOVERY **JUNE 2023**

BIANCA – ON THE PATHWAY TO PROGRESS

We are celebrating with Lighthouse Resident Intern Bianca who successfully completed her GED!

We had a wonderful breakfast celebration and she was able to walk to receive her diploma with the graduates from the West Area Adult School.

Earlier this year we introduced you to Bianca who was given up for adoption and started life in the foster care system. Despite her loving adoptive families efforts, she began to feel as if she was surrounded by strangers. This led to a marriage that wasn't God-filled, and she started

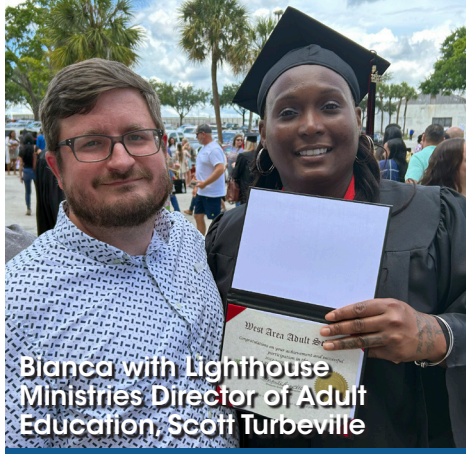
spiralizing downhill. Pain on top of pain started a dark place of addiction. Bianca's children were taken from her home by DCF.

Living at Lighthouse has deepened Bianca's relationship with Christ. She is walking the Pathways to

Progress: **Spiritual Growth** – She is learning to find God's hand in every situation in her life! **Community** – She is learning to build positive relationships including being reunified with her children! **Education** – She earned her GED! **Work Life** – She has recently been hired as a resident intern!

"There's nothing that my GOD can't do. Period!"

Because of your generous support of Lighthouse Ministries, Bianca knows there is much more of God's goodness to come.



Bianca with Lighthouse Ministries Director of Adult Education, Scott Turbeville



Bianca and her children at her Celebration Breakfast

THANKFUL FOR MEAT DONATIONS FROM THE CENTRAL FLORIDA YOUTH IN AGRICULTURE LIVESTOCK SHOWCASE & SALE

The Central Florida Youth In Agriculture is a non-profit organization that promotes education for youth livestock exhibitors in our community. Many learning experiences and lifelong skills are acquired through exhibiting livestock. Their core values are to be open, transparent and, most of all, to

help kids in agriculture.

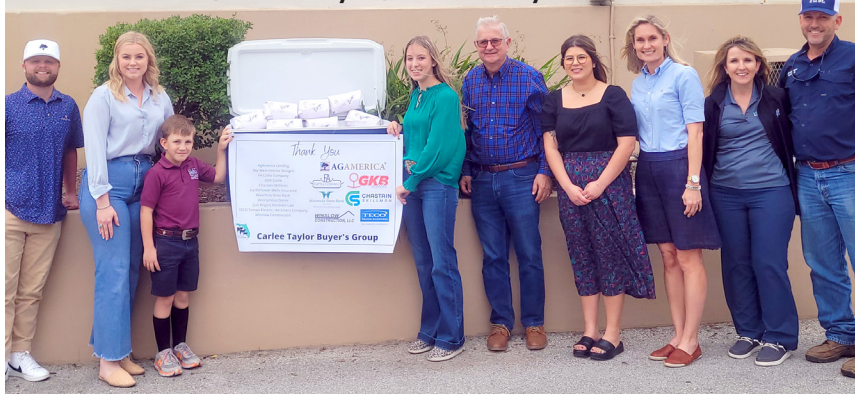
Fourteen-year old Carlee Taylor raised a market steer for the Livestock Showcase & Sale. Carlee put together a buyers group to purchase the steer to donate the meat to Lighthouse Ministries.

Ronnie Hedrick and his grandson Trey from Bul-Hed Corporation bought

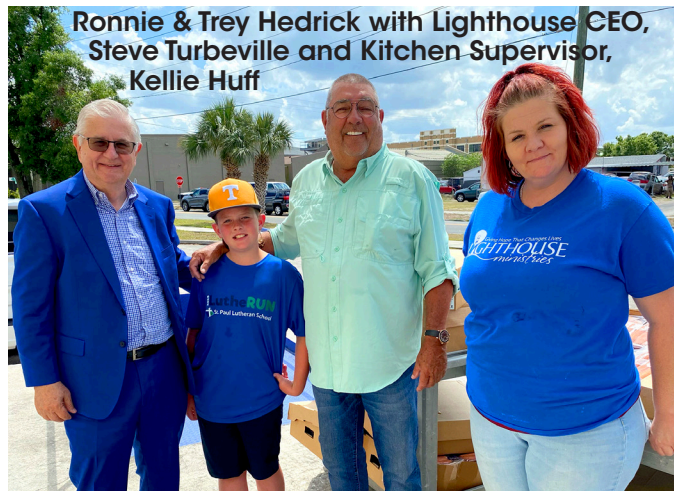
and donated pigs from the sale as well. The ladies in our Kitchen were filled with joy as they received all of this excellent pork and beef which will be used to feed the residents and guest here at Lighthouse Ministries.

We are so thankful for the generosity of our community who Give Hope that Changes Lives!

AgAmerica Reps Erin Smith, Truman Taylor, Carlee Taylor; Steve Turbeville; Chastain-Skillman Reps, Pamela Rodriguez, Lauren Presson, Laura Taylor, Carlton Taylor



Ronnie & Trey Hedrick with Lighthouse CEO, Steve Turbeville and Kitchen-Supervisor, Kellie Huff



GRACIOUS IS THE LORD, AND RIGHTEOUS; YES, OUR GOD IS COMPASSIONATE. – PSALM 116:5

YBOR ESOL CLASS GRADUATION & IT'S A BOY



Five students from our English for Speakers of Other Languages (ESOL) class graduated Level 1 of the Confidence and Connections. Our graduates have completed 32 lessons covering eight months of work. This includes approximately 512 hours of face-to-face class interaction per student.

The graduates are excited and eager to move to Level 2 as learning English is helping them tremendously in their current positions, in seeking promotions, in acquiring new jobs or in attending college.

Congratulations to Blanca, Cristina, Daniela, Matilde, and Wilkenford for successfully completing Level 1 of Confidence and Connections!

Congratulations also goes out to Matilde - It's a Boy! Thanks to the combined efforts of Genifer Hall Lighthouse Thrift Stores, Heather Howell, LHM's Procurement Dept., Love Inc., Tampa Diamond Diva'Z, and Lighthouse Kimmins Family Campus staff, the baby shower for Matilde was a success. Mathilde was overflowing with gratitude to all. Ybor staff, Joe Vazquez and Cheryl Hart, would like to express their appreciation and thanks to all of our supporters who made all of this possible.

KELLER WILLIAMS RED DAY

Since May of 2009 Keller Williams entire company sets aside the second Thursday of May to Renew, Energize, and Donate within the communities they serve. This year Keller Williams Smart Realty blessed Lighthouse Ministries with their service!

The great team from Keller Williams accomplished so much! Deep cleaning in the Men's Rescue Mission, assisting in the garden, preparing food for lunch and dinner, deep cleaning at the Women's Center, cleaning the carpets, spreading mulch, weeding and weedeating for the children's play area, painting the stairwell and re-stripping the parking area.

Wow! They did an awesome job! The biggest job they did was to encourage our staff and residents. Volunteer Coordinator Caroline Bonds is thanking God for the team from Keller Williams and all of our awesome community partners!



CELEBRATING YOUR IMPACT IN 2023 THROUGH MAY 2023

63,743

Nutritious Meals Provided

437

Homeless Sheltered (Non-Duplicate)

2,525

Individuals Served

1,958

Gospel Communications

17,886

Nights of Shelter

74

Life Learning Residents Served

43

Community Homeless Housed or Stabilized

49

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Something to think about

Family homelessness accounts for 37% of the overall homeless population. Women & Children are the fastest growing segments of the homeless population. We need to continue to give dignity and a better quality of life through the power of the Gospel. **Thank you, your support matters!**



For more information on the ministries of Lighthouse go to

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