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## My Apologies

I want apologize for the fact that it has been longer than usual since our last newsletter. Although there is a good excuse, I know that you really like to stay up to date on the happenings at Lighthouse Christian Ministries.

With that said, I have some really great news. I, Lauren White, had a baby boy back in July. He was born on July 8, 2008 at

3:29 pm. He was 18 in and weighed 6 lbs 9 oz. He had a rough start as he was a bit dehydrated and had stage 2 apnea, but he is doing well now. He is still on the skinny side, but has his own chubbiness.

My son's name is Shaggy Cooper White. Yes we named him Shaggy, after his father, of course.

So, we affectionately call him Cooper. He is such a joy and if you come to any of our events you will be sure to meet him.



Thanks so much, to all who knew I was pregnant, for all the prayer and support you have given me. Hopefully, this will get us back on track and we will have the next issue in January as normal.

Our prayers are with all of you and we are thankful for your prayers. Let us keep on praying for one another and see what God will do.

## News from the storefront

Well Mr. Ike did a number on our shop, but he didn't keep us from showing up and taking care of business!! What a wonderful time we had handing out MRE's, water, food, produce and other needed supplies a few days after the storm. I still do not know where it all came from, except that God provided! And He provided many wonderful volunteers to help with clean up, since the parking lot and processing room

was a mess because Ike peeled the roof back like a can of tuna. Thank you very much to the McElroy family and the group from Pines Presbyterian Church.

In spite of the storm damage, we were able to open for business a week after the storm, even though we didn't get power back until October the 4<sup>th</sup>! What a bunch of troopers we are!

We would like to thank all those great volunteers and those who have donated the good furniture and household items that have been so desperately needed by folks in our neighborhood. We are looking forward to getting things back to some sense of normalcy (a new roof instead of the pretty blue one we now have) and continuing to serve the Lord here. Blessings from Linda and all the staff at LCM.

“Those people who know they have great spiritual needs are happy, because the kingdom of heaven belongs to them.”

-Matthew 5:3

## Many Thanks!

The following thanks for all your help over the past few months...

Clear Creek Community Church  
 League City UMC  
 Ecclesia-Clear Lake  
 Bay Harbour UMC  
 Gloria Dei Lutheran Church  
 Pines Presbyterian Church  
 Bay Area Community Church  
 M&M Furniture  
 Kroger

Bacliff Assembly of God  
 Church of God of Prophecy  
 Bayshore Friends Church  
 Gateway Community Church  
 George Click  
 Zehner Jardina  
 Karl Newmann  
 Esther Osborn  
 Dave and Carla vanderweide  
 Mike and Donna Maples  
 Lucy Gill  
 Dr. Paul Torre  
 Mike & Kathy Miller

Vivan Miller  
 Frank Tamborella  
 Jody Bosworth  
 David Armiger  
 Jerry Jones  
 Cindy & Chris Jarmack  
 Glen Cullinnane  
 Betty Black  
 The McElroy family  
 And many others...

## You Can Get Involved Too!

There are many ways that you can support Lighthouse Christian Ministries and get involved.

You can donate:

**Time**  
**Money**  
**Goods**

**Time:** By Volunteering.

**Money:** By sending in a donation to help with our benevolence or food programs.

**Goods:** By bringing in your unwanted items so that we can sell them to others, in return we can use the proceeds to help serve others.

**Goods:** By shopping in our re-sale shops.

### To Donate Time:

Contact Lauren White:  
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### To Donate Money:

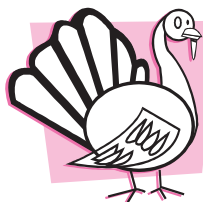
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### To Donate Goods:

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Many thanks to Gloria Dei Lutheran Church for printing our newsletter!

## Upcoming Events



In light of Hurricane Ike and the damage to the community, the holidays will be different for us this year.

We are still planning on handing out Thanksgiving meal boxes, but this year it will be a little different. We have asked the churches that have helped us the past few years to help those hurt by the hurricane.

As for us, a church from Midland is delivering a truck full of boxed food. This truck will have the Thanksgiving dinners in it and the dinners will be distributed at the Community Wide Thanksgiving Service in the San Leon/Bacliff Area.

This community wide Thanksgiving Service will be held at Maranatha Baptist Church on Bayshore Blvd in San Leon. Each year the offering from this service bene-

fits LCM and this year is no exception.

We do not have any plans for Christmas as of yet. This does not mean that we will not be doing anything; it just means we are looking for the most effective way to serve. Please be in prayer for our community during this holiday season as Hurricane Ike has really torn some spirits. All in all the community has come together and we are thankful for that.

“People cannot do any work that will make them right with God.”

- Romans 4:5

## KSBJ Ministry Spotlight

KSBJ, Houston’s Christian radio station is making us their Ministry Spotlight for the Amy Grant Concert. (The concert will be on November 13, please join us there if you receive this before the concert.)

Being a ministry spotlight entails so much. We would never have thought that God would give Lighthouse the chance to really share about what we do and who we are to the city of Houston. Here we are doing the very thing that we thought impossible.

God always does more than we ask.

So, what does being a ministry spotlight entail? Chuck Gussler and Lauren White went to KSBJ this past Monday and did an on air recording that will play throughout the following week.

(Maybe you even heard us on air.) They were able to share about Lighthouse and the ministry programs.

It also means that KSBJ will put info about us on their website and they are taking us to lunch. Here’s the best part; we actually get to go to the concert set up a table and pass out info to all who enter the concert about who we are and what we do.

We love our God so



**Special points of interest:**

- Ike
- Amy Grant Concert
- Upcoming Events



# The Lighthouse Beacon

## Hurricane Ike

This year has been full of excitement with September just adding to the challenges and opportunities. As many of you know, we were planning on remodeling the building and those plans have changed a little.

Ike brought wind, rain and a terrible storm surge, which hurt many in our community, including us. Our building suffered extensive wind damage, tearing our roof off in many places and destroying our signs. The damage total was approximately \$70,000. The cost of remod-

eling the existing building is nearly the same as razing the current building and rebuilding a 2 story metal building to better serve the community needs. Please join us as we raise funds and pray and believe what God can do for this community through Lighthouse Christian Ministries.

Even though our building was without electricity for over 2 weeks we were still able to serve many people. We have had over 100 volunteers, helping clean

up our building and serve the community through LCM.

As a Houston Food Bank Agency, we were able to get disaster food for our area. We also had the National Guard serving from our parking lot at times. In all we were able to serve over 6000 individuals with food, clothing, diapers and toiletries and so much more during this time. Thanks for your help!

## Halloween on Grand

Every year Grand Ave throws a party on Halloween evening from 6-8pm. During this time all of the businesses have candy for the kids in their parking lots. This is a Bacliff tradition that allows safe trick-or-treating for the children.

This is a wonderful ministry opportunity for LCM as we join in on the festivities and

host the "No Fear" Festival in our parking lot. Not only do we have candy, but we have hotdogs, chips, tracts, a moonwalk, the famous Salvation Army Harbor Light Choir and a drama presented by the Bayshore Youth. This has become the tradition and is a wonderful service event.

This year was no ex-

ception, we had so much fun. We were able to serve over 800 hotdogs and gave out much more candy. It

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