



May 2017 Issue



## Upcoming Graduation July 15, 2017



Ginger Hornbeck  
with her Sponsor Linda



Rhonda Lowe (R) with previous  
Graduate Brittany Prince (L)

Son Shine Lighthouse is pleased to announce that four residents will be honored at the Graduation Ceremony on July 15, 2017 at 4:00 pm and receive their certificates for completing the program. Ginger and Rhonda completed the program in January and showed exemplary leadership skills. Rhonda worked diligently throughout her stay on our kitchen staff, showing a true servant's heart. Ginger was a resident "big sister" and used her gifts to encourage and lead in various areas. Chelsey came to know Christ on a personal level during her time at Son Shine. She and her daughter, Makayla, 7, accepted Jesus as their Lord and Savior. Chelsey followed in believer's baptism at First Baptist Church in Henderson on March 30, 2017. Regina dedicated herself fully to the program at Son Shine. Her daughter, Journey, 6, has shown amazing improvement as a result of the parenting skills Regina has learned and is a true testament to how families are impacted through this program..

**Congratulations Ladies!**



Chelsey Beasley and  
Regina Glass

### How Can You Help?

- Prayer for our staff, residents, and board of directors
- **Volunteers: transportation, and more**
- Dining Room Flooring
- Goal 50 Churches giving \$200 and 100 families giving \$30
- One-on-one mentors
- groceries
- Interior painting
- Plumbing
- Double Oven
- Commercial Gas Stove/Oven



# 2017 Volunteer Appreciation

We had a great time visiting with all of our  
**WONDERFUL** Volunteers



Beverly Hall, Carla Hawkins and Chelsey



Chelsey and Debra, our Director



Tommy Marshall and Stefani



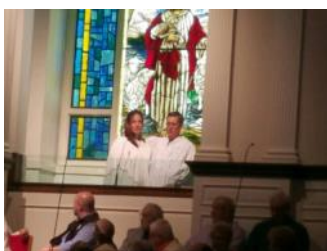
Judy, Sherry, Janis, Linda & Cathy



FBC Henderson  
Work Day at the  
Lighthouse  
followed by an  
evening of Praise  
and Worship



## Baptisms



Phelesia Allen



Emily Collop



Chelsey Beasley

## SSLM Staff



Tina, Whitney, Stacie and Kellie



Debra Crawford, Director, (3rd from rt.)  
received 2017 Special Achievement  
Award from Overton-New London  
Chamber of Commerce



Kellie Davidson participated in a news piece on  
KETK regarding the Opioid Crises in East Texas  
as well as an interview on KWRD

## CWJC Graduation



Erica, Stefani, Regina and Chelsey



## Fundraising



Residents and Board Member, Beverly Hall, at the FUMC Champs Soup Supper



Extended Stay Resident, Lacey Goodson accepting proceeds from the Champs Soup Supper and Silent Auction FUMC Henderson.

## Resurrection 5K Run April 8, 2017



Son Shine Lighthouse Ladies and family members enjoyed a beautiful day out at Fair Park with Ebenezer Baptist Church sponsoring the 1st Annual Resurrection 5K and Fun Run benefitting our ministry.



## Special Events



"She Laughs" Conference  
FBC Henderson



Mother's Day Luncheon  
FUMC Henderson



Children's Ministry at  
London Baptist

## Special Thanks



CWJC of Rusk County



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Henderson



My name is Lacey Goodson. I started using drugs and drinking at the age of 15 to escape from things going on in my family life. I grew up in a single parent home with a very loving Mother. I was exposed to addiction and alcoholism from my step-father, biological Dad, and my brother. It was very chaotic. At age 18, I moved out and became dependent on men and developed a drinking and meth addiction which lasted for 17 years. The drugs and drinking numbed the pain of my past. My addiction led to a life of violence and many trips in and out of jail. February 6, 2007 CPS showed up at my door and I chose to call my mother and sign my rights to my children over to her in turn this started a very dark journey in my life for almost 10 years. I was mentally, physically, and verbally abused as well as controlled by a man who said he loved me. I started seeking God when my Daddy got diagnosed with cancer and was given 6 months to live. After my Daddy passed away in November 2014 and then my brother passing away 3 short months later in February 2015, I started to seek a way out for a better life. I felt like my heart had been ripped out because of the loss in my life, but God revealed I still had a mom, a brother, and 2 amazing kids to live for. My brother-in-law, who had done the A/C work for Son Shine Lighthouse before it opened, gave me their number. I kept the number hidden in my Bible for over a year never able to make the call. Finally, in October 2015 after being physically abused for the last time, I called Son Shine. It sounded like the opportunity of a lifetime! I called my mom and told her everything about what had been going on in my life. She opened her home to me for 3 weeks, until I could get in, under the conditions I would not drink or do drugs while there. I came to my assessment 2 weeks later and instantly fell in love with Son Shine. I felt God's presence the moment I walked in. It was amazing! I knew I would find a new life here. Since being at Son Shine, God has blessed me with many wonderful ladies in my life that I will always have a special bond with. The program itself has taught me who I am in Christ and who Christ is in me. Through all the classes at Son Shine I started to find myself and find Joy for the first time. I started seeing my children again on a regular basis and building a healthy relationship with them as well as my mother and brother. I am now an extended stay resident of the program and attending my second semester at Kilgore College entering their Radiology Technician program. I am grateful that Son Shine has taught me to focus on God and everything else will fall into place. He continues to bless me daily through my schooling and through the ladies entering the program it helps me to see the many things that he has done in my life not only in college but the amazing restoration he is doing in my family. When people ask me about Son Shine I tell them it will totally change your life and you could not ask for a more amazing experience growing in God!!!

