



Lighthouse Church

OUTREACH NEWS



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He Will Multiply

In January of 2020, the Lord gave me a dream. Little did I know the whole world was about to change. I felt an urgency to share my dream with my Pastor. With a small amount of grocery gift cards and food hamper bags in hand, I met with Pastor Jennifer and shared my dream in which the Lord told us to prepare to feed the people. Turns out, this was confirmation. I learned then that our church leadership had also been receiving instruction from the Lord to prepare to feed the community. I was graciously invited to join the table of discussion on how we could accomplish this goal. Over the next few week, a group of us met and began drafting a plan, downloaded to us from the Lord. At this time, I could never have imagined that a new ministry was about to be birthed or that God would grant me the privilege of facilitating it. Everyday leading up to the launch date in May 2020, there was a sense of purpose that was being awakened inside of me, like a lightbulb went off and even though at the time I didn't know it, God had been preparing me for this season, and everything I had done leading up to this point had been to prepare me to fulfill a mission that was beyond my own capabilities.

Ephesians 3:20

Now to him who is able to do immeasurably more than all we ask or imagine, according to his power that is at work within us.

Finally our launch date arrived! And our humble team of volunteers eagerly served 8 hungry souls. Fast forward three years to 2023, we served 8,452 people!

Recently, while reading in **John 6:1-15**, the Lord gave me a fresh revelation. This passage of scripture tells the story of a young boy who unknowingly but willingly gave all that he had - two fish and five loaves of bread to Jesus. Jesus multiplied this humble offering to feed over 5,000 people! The Lord showed me that back in 2020, when I brought my small offering of gift cards and food hamper bags, I was giving Jesus my 2 fish and 5 loaves. Like the small boy, I was unknowing but willing to give what I had to Jesus, a sacrifice of faith, in which He also multiplied.

Therefore, I am humbled and overwhelmed with gratitude by the goodness, and love of Jesus! My heart will never tire in worship, knowing that Jesus died for me, that He loves me so much that He would choose to use someone like me to be His partner/His co-laborer to build His Kingdom.

I invite you to watch and see how God will multiply your two fish and five loaves as you surrender your all to Him and His wonderful love.

-Jackie Giselsbrecht

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Food for the Soul

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Meet the Team



Jackie Giselbrecht
COORDINATOR/PUBLICITY

Jackie is a devoted wife to her beloved and supportive husband Jason, and proud mother of two children and three stepsons. While working as a full-time High-Risk Youth & Family Support worker, Jackie also serves in full-time ministry overseeing the F4S Outreach. Jackie is a gifted evangelist and is passionate to see the lost come to Christ. Serving her community in love is how she gives back after so many showed her support in her time of need. Jackie is on a mission to share the love of Jesus one sandwich at a time, and to see lives like her own, transformed by the power of God!



Janet Sawatzky
CHURCH LIASON
COORDINATOR

Janet has been married to her dear husband for 33 years. They have 3 adult children - 2 daughters and a son. She is blessed to have 2 amazing sons in law, and a most precious 2 year old grandson! She has served for many years in ministry with children, youth and families. Her life's passion is to see families know God fully, love Jesus intimately and serve Him wholeheartedly. Food for the soul is a natural part of loving and serving Jesus and her desire is to see the families who come to Food for the Soul encounter the living God and be changed for eternity.

In Proud Sponsorship With:

Who are we?

Food for the Soul (F4S) is an outreach of Lighthouse church which exists to provide FREE food to those in need within our community. It runs every 1st and 3rd Saturday of the month alongside her sister outreach Garments of Praise. The mission of F4S is to build relationship and heartfelt connection with those in our community; to meet a physical need in order to also have opportunity to meet a spiritual need. Often, we have prayer tables on site with volunteers who are eager to meet our guests and offer prayer and support. Food for the Soul is run entirely on volunteer support and donations. One hundred percent of all proceeds raised for F4S go back into the outreach.

Each month we see lives that are touched and even changed because of the care and support that they received at this outreach.



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Taste & see what happened in F4S this semester!

Easter Pancake Breakfast

On Saturday, March 16th, the Lighthouse Church sanctuary was hopping with excitement as we fed those in our community a FREE pancake breakfast! A total of 176 people were fed, including the small army of 65 volunteers!! Additionally, 110 were given food hampers to go home with after the pancake breakfast which included protein, veggies, & taco kits (a complete dinner for the evening meal).

In addition to the pancakes, our guests were introduced to the greatest gift ever given – the Good News of the Gospel. Lighthouseians [which included many of our young people] came together to present a live-skit, entitled “I am Your Friend Barabbus” which depicted the journey of Jesus to the cross. As a result, **we saw four individuals commit their lives to Jesus! Hallelujah!!!** We celebrate this soul harvest and rejoice in the seeds that were both planted and watered as the Gospel message was shared. We cling to the promise in **Isaiah 55:11** that the Lord’s Word will never return back void but will always produce fruit and accomplish that which the Lord intends. We also rejoice in the opportunity to share the reason for the season of Easter and the hope that we (as believers) have all year long because of Christ’s gift of salvation to us.

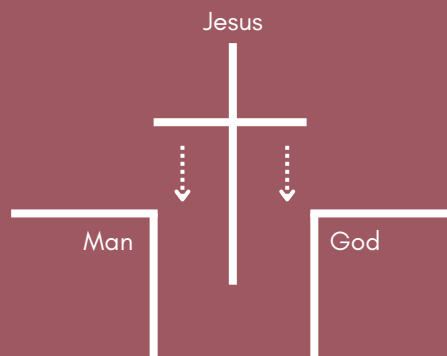
We want to express a HUGE thank you to all those who volunteered their time, investing in the Kingdom of God! Thank you to our Children’s Ministry department for preparing kid’s activities/games for the event. Thank you to those who participated in the live-skit, presenting the Gospel message with heart and passion. We’d also like to give a shout-out to the Jesus is Lord Global Church, a Filipino church in Stony Plain and Bethel Apostolic Church who both came out with a small army of volunteers to support the event! And thank you to everyone else who came and served in various capacities, from set-up, serving, to take-down. Each act is an investment into our community, and into the Kingdom.

For all have sinned and fallen short of the glory of God.

Romans 3:23

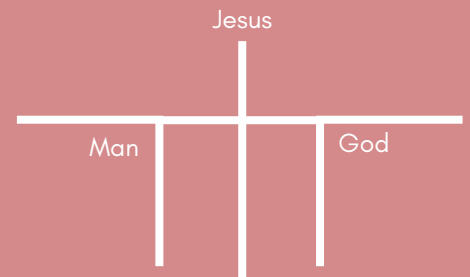
But God demonstrates His own love for us in this: While we were still sinners, Christ died for us.

Romans 5:8



*If you declare with your mouth, “Jesus is Lord,” and believe in your heart that God raised Him from the dead, **you will be saved.***

Romans 10:9





Easter Pancake Breakfast





GRAND RE-OPENING:

On March 23, the Outreach House held a ribbon cutting ceremony in celebration of its grand re-opening after nearly two years of renovations! Town representatives, including Mayor, Jeff Acker and members of the Chambers of Commerce came to officiate the ceremonies as well as celebrate with us. Food for the Soul volunteers, as well as church and community supporters all joined in the attendance, coming together as one to celebrate the accomplishment of this renovation.

We give ALL glory to God who turns what is meant for evil into good and wonderful blessings [Genesis 50:20; Romans 8:28]! Back in January of 2022 when we discovered a massive flood in the outreach house basement, we did not know how God would use it for good. However, after receiving an insurance settlement which enabled us to renovate and repair the outreach basement for our GOP outreach, we did not expect to also be able to renovate the main level for F4S operations. BUT GOD, in His provision and with the help of generous volunteer support, provided the funds, the materials, and the laborers to create a space for those in our community to gather for a meal, to receive donations, and to commune together in fellowship.

We are both humbled and grateful to be able to share this space with our friends in the community, to provide a shelter for those in need, and to be an answer to prayer for those whose hearts have cried for help.

For I was hungry and you gave me something to eat, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink, I was a stranger and you invited me in. I needed clothes and you clothed me, I was sick and you looked after me, I was in prison and you came to visit me.'

"Then the righteous will answer him, 'Lord, when did we see you hungry and feed you, or thirsty and give you something to drink?'

When did we see you a stranger and invite you in, or needing clothes and clothe you? When did we see you sick or in prison and go to visit you?'

"The King will reply, 'Truly I tell you, whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers and sisters of mine, you did for me.'

Matthew 25:35-40



A Blessing of Thanks to Every Contributor

The seeds that you have sown are planted in good soil. We pray a ten-fold blessing be measured back to you for your generosity and faith in this ministry!



Mother's Day Fashion Show & Spa

What do women love more than a day at the spa? Maybe shopping you say? Well on May 4th, F4S and GOP combined BOTH to give our mama's a day they won't soon forget! Selfless volunteers came as hair stylists, estheticians, nail technicians, and massage therapists for the day. GOP rolled out their most fashionable wears to be modelled for the mothers, grandmothers, aunts, and sisters among us. Women gleefully shopped the FREE clothing store after receiving wonderful make-overs from our volunteers.

And of course it wouldn't be a F4S event if we didn't serve food! Altogether, we served over 70 ladies a beautiful lunch and sent 90 food hampers home with the ladies to feed their families.

What a wonderful blessing it was to not only serve but to also honor the women in our lives who pour themselves out daily, serving their families and those around them. Mothers, grandmothers, aunts, and sisters all play a vital role in the family unit and we were grateful for the opportunity to pour back into these lovely women!

A mother is a person, who seeing there are only four pieces of pie for five people, promptly announces she never did care for pie."

-Robert Quillen

TESTIMONIALS By Jackie

God is so good all the time. And all the time ... God is good!

During the month of May, I experienced a divine appointment at a gas station, while out on a motorcycle ride.

There, I met a lady who was hungry for God but did not know where to find Him. I had the opportunity to encourage her and help her get connected to a church in her area. She was eager to begin a Bible study. So, we exchanged phone numbers and began a virtual Bible study together, using a Bible app. In the weeks that followed, I had the privilege of leading her to the Lord over the phone. ALL GLORY to God! Now, she is eager to become water baptized which we will be doing very soon!

God is always looking for those who are wanting to partner with Him. He has divine appointments set up for you!

Through our partnership with Lovedmonton Chapel in West Edmonton Mall, we have seen so much fruit! Our mission there is to bring hope, encouragement, and the love of Jesus to everyone we encounter.

During our youth outreaches there, we have been able to share personal testimony which yielded 7 souls giving their lives to Jesus. ALL Glory to God!



Farmer's Days

Here at the Lighthouse Church, it's a proud and annual tradition to oversee the Kid's Korral (kid's games) at the Stony Plain Farmer's Days. Since its birth, Food for the Soul has joined the Children's Ministry department in the fun, serving the community from the streets with freezies, water and a large serving of love and encouragement. This year, May 31 to June 2 volunteers served an estimated 3,000 people! Our volunteers were encouraged as many visitors accepted the invitation of prayer over their lives. We trust that God will show Himself faithful and that there will be many testimonies of answered prayer from that day. Once again, we want to express our most sincere gratitude to all those who graciously gave up their weekend to come serve the community under the F4S tent, as well as through the Kid's Korral. A huge thank you to those who participated in the set up and the take down of all the tents, games, and supplies necessary for the events. These outreach opportunities would not be possible if not for those with willing hearts to invest their time. Thank you to each and every volunteer who contributed in the Farmer's Days outreach event! We trust that many in our community were impacted through this opportunity.

Father's Day BBQ

Generational gaps were bridged, good food was ate, sun was basked in, and much fun was had on June 16th! Nearly 30 fathers came out with their families to partake in F4S's first Father's Day BBQ event, while we fed nearly 80. We also gave away almost 40 food hampers. There were outdoor games in which many families became caught up in friendly competition. It was memorable and satisfying day for all!

Here in North America, we find ourselves living in a generation of fatherlessness like our world has never seen. As a church, we value each member of the family unit and celebrate God's unique design and call on fathers and mothers. This event provided opportunity to honor fathers, grandfathers, uncles, and brothers for the significant role that they have in their family, as well as to bring families together. The impact that fathers have on their family and those they influence is monumental. What a wonderful opportunity to also reflect on Father God's love for us which surpasses all measure and understanding [Ephesians 3:18-21].

"Daddies don't just love their children every now and then,
it's a love without end. Amen"

- George Strait, "Love Without End, Amen"





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Frequently Asked Questions

How can I support F4S?

- Volunteer
- Financial Support
- Donate Non-Perishable Food Items
- Pray for us

Where can I drop off non-perishable donations?

- At the Lighthouse Church office
- **NOTE:** Office hours are 9:00am-4:00pm Tuesday - Thursday

What can I expect to do if I volunteer?

- Help with delivery & pick-up of donations
- Join the hospitality team
- Assist with serving food on Saturday's that the outreach is open
- Food preparation [making sandwiches, putting together bagged lunches]
- Volunteer at special events

Where does the food come from?

- Personal donations [Non-perishables only]
- Partnerships with local business' [i.e. Safeway] & other charitable organizations [i.e. Food Bank]
- Financial donations help to purchase fresh produce & other non-perishable items, including grocery gift cards

How do I financially support F4S?

- E-Transfer: financial@lhpc.ca
- Cash/Cheque
- Online: lhpc.ca
- REMEMBER TO PUT 'F4S' IN THE MEMO

Who do I contact to volunteer?

- Email Jackie: food4soul@lhpc.ca
- Email Church Office: lighthouse@lhpc.ca
- Phone Office: 780-963-3110

Thank you for your support!!



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Garments of Praise THE ARTICLE

Let's cover what happened in GOP this semester!

Meet the Team



Linda Foy

COORDINATOR

Linda has been a member of Lighthouse Church for over 20 years. She has the gift of an intercessor and a servant

heart. She has always had a deep desire to be used in whatever capacity the Lord desires her to invest her time in. As an avid thrift market and yard sale shopper herself, Linda is passionate to serve in GOP in this season. She has been part of the ministry since its birth, both as a volunteer and through prayer. To be involved in such a needed service to the community is her a privilege and joy. Meeting the needs of others, making connections with people and the idea of simply sharing what we have with others, for no profit, is part of what the Kingdom is about!



Sharon Radford

ASSISTANT COORDINATOR

Sharon is a mother of three adult children and blessed with four grandchildren. Sharon has been a

follower of Jesus for 35 years and was saved at Spruce Grove Community church. Sharon retired three years ago from the Edmonton Real Estate Board where she worked for over 40 years. Sharon has always been a thrift store shopper (good or bad). Sharon has been helping with Garments of Praise for over a year and enjoys seeing people being blessed when they find just the right outfit or seeing families new to Canada finding warm coats and boots for their children. Sharon has a servant's heart no matter which church she has attended. Sharon has always served in a volunteer position, following Hebrews 6:10 to help and serve people. Sharon is blessed and happy to be part of this valuable outreach to our community.

Who are we?

Garments of Praise (GOP) is an outreach of Lighthouse church which exists to provide FREE clothing to those in need within our community. It runs every 1st and 3rd Saturday of the month alongside her sister outreach Food for the Soul. The mission of GOP is to build relationship and heartfelt connection with those in our community; to meet a physical need in order to also have opportunity to meet a spiritual need.

Garments of Praise is run entirely on volunteer support and donations. One hundred percent of all proceeds raised for GOP go back into the outreach.

Each month we see lives that are touched and even changed because of the care and support that they received at this outreach.

“Rule with the heart of a servant. Serve with the heart of a king.”

— Bill Johnson



Kathy Svenshek

VOLUNTEER



Rebecca Howard

VOLUNTEER



Janis Dipietra

VOLUNTEER



Rosemarie Bailleul

VOLUNTEER



THE ARTICLE

Let's cover what happened in GOP this semester!

We recently had one very heartwarming donation come into GOP. A new widower donated his wife's entire wardrobe of clothing to the outreach. Many years ago, her and her husband used to live in the Outreach House. The family felt that she would be very honored to have left her earthly belongings to this cause, blessing and giving back through a special piece of family heritage.

GOP, helps an upward average of 60 people per outreach!

Several donations of grad and bridesmaid dresses were donated to the outreach. Once on display, they were quickly adopted!

The amount of clothing & footwear that goes out at each outreach is staggering!

We are SO very grateful for the outpouring of donations that come into the outreach which allows us to continue meeting this need in our community.

One of our regular guests is a mother of four children. She is always so grateful to come and be able to find clothing for each of her children, while maintaining her family budget.

At GOP, we don't just provide clothing, we offer friendship and encouragement. Regular visitors know that our volunteers are praying for them and & their families.

On occasion, the church office staff have received phone calls from social workers needing clothing for youth who need to be moved to a new living situation. We are grateful to have been able to meet these emergency needs when they arise.





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Frequently Asked Questions

Where do I drop off my donations?

- Metal drop-off bins in front of outreach house at Lighthouse Church
- **NOTE:** if the donation does not fit into the deposit space of the bin, please re-adjust so that it can fit. Please do not leave donations outside.
- ****All donations are collected and sorted by volunteers who come as they are able. Donations left outside, risk exposure to weather elements which may compromise the donations integrity.**

What kinds of donations do you accept?

- GARMENTS/CLOTHING
 - Men's Clothing
 - Women's Clothing
 - Children's Clothing
 - Infant's Clothing
 - New or next-to-new underwear, socks, etc.
 - All Footwear
 - Outdoor Wear [Jackets, hats, gloves]
- **NOTE:** We do not accept household items, furniture, bedding, toys, etc.

How can I support GOP?

- Volunteer
- Donate Gently Used Clothing
- Financial Support
- Pray for us

What can I expect to do if I volunteer?

- Process Donations - including sorting, washing, folding, hanging clothing
- Helping in the store on Saturday's that the Outreach is open

How do I financially support GOP?

- E-Transfer: financial@lhpc.ca
- Cash/Cheque
- Online: lhpc.ca
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Who do I contact to volunteer?

- Email Linda: garmentsofpraise@lhpc.ca
- Email Church Office: lighthouse@lhpc.ca
- Phone Office: 780-963-3110

Thank you for your support!!



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Mark Your Calendars Upcoming Outreach Events



F4S & GOP Open



Outreach Special Event

August 2024

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