



Hospitality House

"Sharing God's Grace with the Other Victims of Crime"



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House Happenings

- 5 Sam Houston State University professors have chosen us for their students to receive class credit for doing volunteer service here and 6 SHSU fraternities/sororities/clubs have adopted us for their volunteer service.
- Volunteer plumbers arrived to install new toilets and faucets in all the bathrooms. Arriving guests noticed it immediately and loved the new plumbing.
- A grandmother brought her 4 young granddaughters for a back-to-school mission trip.
- Expansion is on the way as we pray, talk and work following God's leadership.
- Extremely full reservation book each weekend for the last 6 months and now we work from a waiting list, too.
- Praise the Lord for the ways He continues to bless and give us opportunities to share Him with so many families!

Debra

TESTIMONIES

As a pastor in Huntsville, I am able to experience the ministry of the Hospitality House on a regular and up-close basis. It means so much to our church for three immediate reasons:

First, it is a mission arm of our church to hurting people. We could not do what Hospitality House does, but we can support them financially, with volunteers, and in special projects.

Second, Hospitality House provides us a place of service for volunteers on a regular or singular basis. Our people can do ministry with Hospitality House!



Third, our children can support and experience ministry with Hospitality House. It is one of our children's favorite places to go on their monthly missions nights, whether they go bringing soft drinks and canned goods, or to hear Joe or Debra McCammon tell of recent ministry there to other children and families.

The Hospitality House has developed arms of ministry never imagined by those who began the ministry over 25 years ago. But the consistent characteristic of the House is its hospitality in the name of Jesus to whomever comes through the door. Thanks, Hospitality House, for including and leading our church in ministry to "the other victims of crime".

*Dr. Ken Huggins, Elkins Lake Baptist Church
Huntsville, Texas*

"I'm so sorry we are taking you away from your family or other things you need to do, but we sure do appreciate it. Tell your church and your friends the Brewer family appreciates everything you are doing for us." -- J. Brewer, the brother of the man executed Sept. 21

"Words cannot express my gratitude and thankfulness for all the many times I stayed at the hospitality house. It was like my 2nd home. Everyone was always so kind to me and accepting. Everything that was done for me blessed my life. May God Bless and Keep every one of you. I will be getting my husband this Thursday in Abilene. We are so happy and excited and give God all the praise and Glory. **You all have touched my life in a special way.** God is so proud of all of you. I could never have made the trips financially without the Hospitality House. Thanks so much to each and every sponsor that cared enough to show God's Love by giving. *Sincerely, Marla*"

Note: Marla has stayed here for 5 years coming faithfully each month to visit her husband.



It's that time of year again where children are counting down the days to Santa coming! A time filled with hope, wonder and the joy of Christmas. If your Sunday School class, church or family would like to help us make it a really special Christmas for children who need to have something to smile about please have your toys delivered to us no later than Dec. 1st. We will have our Christmas store available to the moms for "shopping" the first weekend of November. Remember, don't wrap your gifts. Gifts for all ages, **boys and girls**. So don't miss this extra blessing of giving to those in need!

Golf Tournament November 12th

Send in your registration by
Oct. 24th for Early Bird
pricing - \$65!



Great fellowship and prizes!

Limited 'Hole Sponsorships' still available

Support God at work at the Hospitality House!

See our website for further details or register online.

"Lost people matter to God, and so they must matter to us." Keith Wright

House Statistics

3rd Quarter

People – 615 Gifts – 15
Churches – 41 Volunteers – 333
Counseled – 56 Volunteer Hours – 2,324
Bibles – 65 Executions – 5
Salvations – 1
Speaking Engagements – 45
School Supplies – 112 Full Backpacks

check out our website

www.thehospitalityhouse.org

- urgent needs
- stories
- online donations
- photos
- and much more!



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As a teacher I am around students everyday who seek attention often in negative ways. Like a 7th grader who thought he wasn't getting enough attention, "Mr. Mac, watch me stand on this desk!" Or, a 10th grader who was failing, "I think I'll just quit school and sell drugs for a living." In some cases these young people believe that this behavior will make them popular with their peers or somehow make them successful. But they just end up becoming notorious for anti-social behavior and failure. On the other hand, there are many students who deserve recognition and positive attention for their hard work and their will to succeed as students. Of course, we must give positive reinforcement to both types.

In Acts 10:1-4 we read: Cornelius...was a thoroughly good man...was always helping people in need, and had the habit of prayer. An angel of God came to him and said, "Cornelius, your prayers and neighborly acts have brought you to God's attention." (Message)

What a wonderful place to be, in the sights of God's attention. It was the man's practice of prayer and helping others that caused God to take notice.

Let us seek the positive attention of God each day in this way.

Chaplain Corner

Joe McCammon

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During this season of 'thankfulness' what are you thankful for? Family, plenty of food, roof over your head, your job, or knowing Christ? Many of the families who come to stay at Hospitality House struggle to be thankful. Won't you partner with us to become a **Grace Giver** – giving on a regular monthly basis or including us in your churches' 2012 budget?



You will help give compassion, provide joy, offer hope, extend mercy and love unconditionally as commanded by Christ.



You Can Help By:

- Praying** for the ministry of the Hospitality House
- Becoming** a Grace Giver
- Volunteering** your time to assist in HH ministry
- Donating** food items for meals for the families
- Inviting** the Director to make a presentation

With Your Financial Help:

- \$5** will provide devotional books or Bibles
- \$40** will provide lunch for family on execution day
- \$75** will sponsor a family of 5 visiting for two nights
- \$350** will purchase a full sized mattress

You can give online at www.thehospitalityhouse.org