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Dear Friends,

It is with GREAT joy that I write you in the closing of the year. His faithfulness never fails, and He surely gives joy that neither the world nor tragedy can take away. As we enter the Christmas season, we all reflect on the Christmas story. A mother possibly subjected to condemnation and scorn. What would people think? What would they say? A baby sent and born in less than perfect circumstances, though with great purpose that unfortunately the world didn't see. Then, of course, you know the end of the story. He was the King. Royalty. Purpose. Passion. Thank God He sent His Son. I was in desperate need of a Savior.

Now, let me tell you another story. Our everyday here at The Light House is filled with great stories. Three hundred sixty-five days of every year are full of great stories! God stories. Moms with unplanned pregnancies. Women suffering with the effects of poor circumstances and choices. Trauma on faces of women looking for hope, help and healing. Cries of children longing for their mothers, hoping for a stable life.

And... the good Lord uses you and I to be His hand extended. This year we served many women, many children, and many needs. We saw them transform before our very eyes. All are special stories however, one in particular is Andrew. We were living in smaller quarters, Mom didn't have childcare support lined up for when the baby was to come but she was desperate and more than ready for change. We said yes. Took Mom in. Gave her the shelter, education, therapy and love she needed. We helped with the OB/GYN appointments, had a baby shower and were with her in the hospital when this precious bundle of joy arrived. We established a

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healthy, Christian family for respite childcare, and we get to hold and love on this baby boy every single day. He's healthy. He's happy. He has great purpose.

Because of your support, this baby and his Momma had a place to call home, the necessities needed and the support it takes to help a single mother raise a healthy baby boy. Thank you for seeing purpose in people.

Mom is now job searching and plans to graduate our program in February. She will then move to our transitional apartment complex where she and baby Andrew will continue to live a sober, healthy life, saving for home ownership.

Your end of year gift this month will continue to help this family and so many more. I ask you to pray, then purpose in your heart to be an ongoing part of writing more and more stories just like this one.

Blessings to you and yours this Christmas season.

In His Love,
Vikki

