



Little Light House

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***More than a
Diagnosis***

*Make a lasting
impact this
Christmas*

From our Executive Director

As I gather with my family around the Christmas tree this year, I'm certain I'm going to be thinking about miracles.

In the spirit of Christmas, we are reminded of the power of hope, the beauty of resilience, and the miracles that can unfold when we come together as a community around our students and their families. Our students inspire us every day, and their lives are the true embodiment of the miracles that God did at Jesus's birth and that He continues to do to this day. Our children are the real-life, real-time miracles of our day, and we are blessed to have front-row seats as the family that encourages them year-round.

Throughout 2023, we watched our students achieve seemingly insurmountable milestones. We witnessed students who were told they would never communicate learn to use technology to express their thoughts and feelings. We watched students who faced obstacles with courage and determination, showing us that nothing is impossible with their teachers, therapists, and God on their side.

As we count our blessings this Christmas, let us remember that miracles are real and happening all around us. Our students are the proof. Their lives teach us that each day is an

opportunity to hold on to hope that God can work in us, even when we don't see how.

Thank you for the part you play in encouraging miracles in the lives of our children. It is because of our committed community of donors, volunteers, parents, and staff that our students thrive. It takes God working through each of us for the miracles to unfold, and whether you believe your part is large or small, without you, we would be missing a vital piece that keeps our village strong. During this joyous season, may the spirit of Christmas inspire us to continue creating a more inclusive world where every student can achieve their full potential.

From all of us at Little Light House, we wish you a joyful and miraculous Christmas filled with love, hope, and the belief that, together, we can **Help Kids Be Kids.**


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Executive Director

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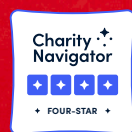
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Calendar

- Dec 13**
Community Luncheon
- Dec 14**
LLH Closed
- Dec 22-26**
LLH Closed
- Dec 30 - Jan 2**
LLH Closed
- Jan 8**
Students Return
- Jan 11**
Monthly Family Gathering
- Jan 15**
LLH Closed MLK Holiday

Calendar events are subject to change. To view our full school calendar visit, littleshighthouse.org. You can also follow us on social media to be kept up-to-date with events, opportunities, and more!



Easy Home Activity



Kids are naturally curious and love exploring the world around them. Painter's tape offers a simple yet effective way to engage your child in various activities while enhancing fine motor and other essential skills. One popular activity is "Animal Rescue." Here's how it works:

1. Tear 3-4 inch tape strips.
 2. Use the tape to secure small plastic animals to a tabletop or tray.
 3. Explain to your child that these animals need saving, and it's their mission to rescue them!
- This versatile tool can be adapted to suit different needs and interests:

Academic skills Use tape to spell out the child's name or secure wooden puzzle pieces for spelling practice.

Gross motor skills Position objects at different heights to encourage reaching, core strength, and balance. You can also incorporate tools like wobble seat cushions or balance boards. Fine motor skills: Adjust the tape's tightness for varying levels of difficulty. Smooth tape for advanced skills or leave loose edges for pincer grasp practice.

Visual needs Tape objects onto a lightbox or use high-contrast backgrounds for children with vision impairments.

Complex bodies Attach items to a tray that fits a specialized chair, considering sensory elements like sounds, textures, and colors. Explore items like battery-powered lights, shaker eggs, jingle bells, vibrating teething rings, and metal measuring spoons.

Learning doesn't have to be complicated; it thrives when children's curiosity leads them to explore and discover!

Ways to Give

Honor Someone

Transforming lives in the name of someone special.

Volunteer

Our volunteers are trained and plugged into the area that they can serve best. Whether in the classroom, helping at an event, or using a particular skill or talent, there is something for everyone.

Legacy Giving

Planned giving is a way to ensure that your values and passions will continue to make a difference long after you are gone.

Check or Stock

We accept donations made by check, stock, money order or wire transfer.

Opportunity Scholarship Fund

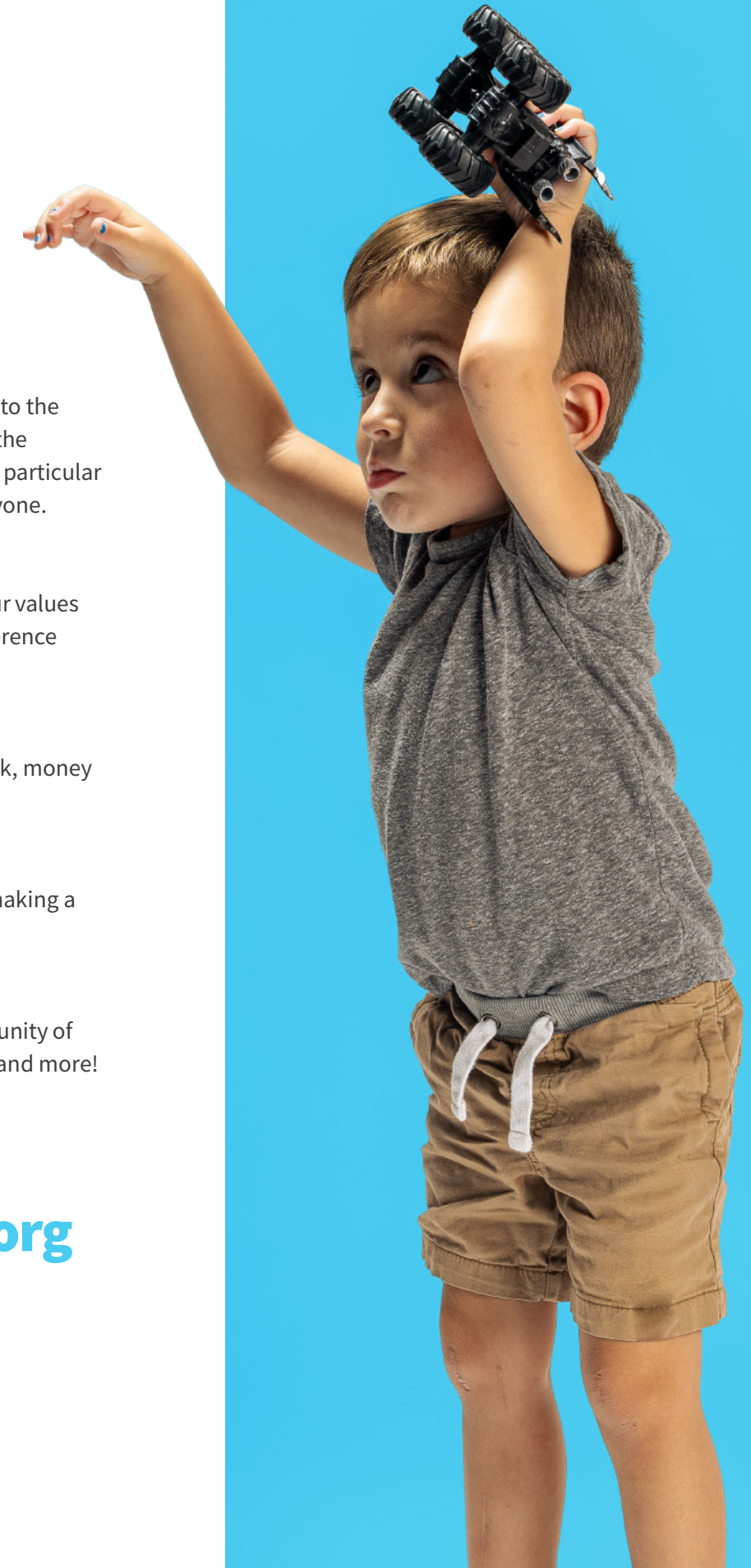
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OUR STUDENTS ARE

more than a diagnosis.



The diagnosis is a life-altering moment, leaving parents uncertain about their child's future, often feeling isolated in their search for support.

Doubts about therapy progress, financial strain, and the looming uncertainty about their child's development all add to the weight they carry. Yet, within these challenges, parents find moments of gratitude and incredible resilience.

Their determination to provide the best life for their children is truly inspirational, radiating love, courage, and hope. These families illustrate the power of love and determination in adversity, emphasizing the crucial need for empathy and support.

This giving season, we hope you will give the **Gift of Hope** to our families so they can continue to receive the free educational and therapeutic services they need to live life to the fullest.

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Our Journey with Jamison

“We had to mourn the loss of the child we thought we were going to have.”

We didn't realize our child had special needs until months after his birth. Jamison began missing developmental milestones, prompting our search for answers. This search was challenging and took nearly four years, involving numerous specialists, extensive testing, and requiring immense patience and persistence. Eventually, we received two working diagnoses.

When Jamison was born, we were living in a small, rural town in Southeast Kansas. When he was nine months old, we decided to move back to Tulsa to access more resources. It was during this time that we learned about the Little Light House. My grandmother's friend, who had family attend many years ago, recommended it to us. We visited the facility and immediately joined the waitlist. While waiting, we also benefited from the Early Intervention program, which provided valuable resources and the comforting knowledge that we weren't alone.

After about three years on the waitlist, we received the call for an interview to join the Aqua class. This was a true blessing. On the first day of class, I was moved to tears not because I was leaving my son at school, but because we were greeted with an enthusiastic cheering squad of teachers and volunteers exclaiming,

Jamison! We are so happy to see you!

It was a unique and heartwarming experience to walk into a place where my son was genuinely loved. Little Light House is a community where everyone has our child's best interests at heart, and they work together for the greater good of these children.

This journey has been incredibly challenging. We've had to grieve the loss of the child we initially expected and come to terms with the uncertainties of the future. We've navigated through numerous specialists, therapists, procedures, and financial difficulties.

However, we have not walked this path alone, and Little Light House has consistently demonstrated its support. While our son may not be the child we initially imagined, he is a special, intelligent boy with a unique purpose and a promising future.



Profoundly Thankful

Your belief in our mission has enabled us to remain tuition-free and Christ-centered while serving 250 families at Little Light House.

As the year draws to a close, I find myself reflecting on the incredible year that Little Light House has had. It is with immense gratitude and a heart full of emotion that I write this letter to express my deepest thanks.

This year has been a remarkable chapter in Little Light House's history, and it wouldn't have been possible without the unwavering support and love of people like you. Your kindness, generosity, and friendship have played an integral role in shaping this year at Little Light House.



This year has been a remarkable journey for our organization, and we couldn't have achieved what we have without your belief in our students. Your financial support, your time, and your advocacy have been the driving force behind our ability to create positive change in the lives of children with special needs, their families, and communities. We firmly believe that your support is a testament to God's provision and the miracles that unfold when communities come together to make a difference. The progress we've witnessed in the lives of these incredible children is nothing short of miraculous, and we are humbled to be a part of this journey.

Your partnership with us is not just about financial contributions; it's about being a part of a community that celebrates, has faith in all children, and continues to allow us to be innovative in our work. We are truly grateful for your dedication to loving and supporting Little Light House.

Georgia Canady

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Senior Director of Development

Honorariums

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Beth Soderfelt
Abigail Horne
Cathe Kehe
Alexander Shaiebly
Anthony Shaiebly
Anne & Jerry McCoy
Susan Bray
Arthur Wolfe
Brothers In Christ Inc.
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Christopher White
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Avery Hight
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Memoriams

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Ellen Tulsa
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