

New Light Christian Center Church
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COMPASSIONATE TEENS GIVE BASKETS OF BLESSINGS TO SOME WHO MAY BE FORGOTTEN THIS THANKSGIVING

HOUSTON, TX (Nov. 15, 2006) -- New Light Christian Center Church's, NuGen Youth Ministry will show love to a group of people that many have forgotten, by launching the **Because We Care Community Outreach** campaign. On Sunday, November 19, 2006 a group of caring young people from New Light will deliver a Thanksgiving Basket of Blessings to the doorsteps of 100 families who survived Hurricane Katrina. Each family will receive a full meal that they can prepare on their own (turkey, dressing, cranberry sauce, macaroni & cheese, green beans, corn, potatoes, dinner rolls, cake mix and sodas). “We have a strong system in place already that makes sure that our members are taken care, however with the **Because We Care Community Outreach** campaign we wanted to reach outside the walls of our church to touch the community and give to those who many may have forgotten about,” says Pastor Irishea Hilliard-Lewis, an Executive Director and heir-apparent at New Light.

Pastor Irishea Hilliard-Lewis is also the NuGen Director of New Light Christian Center Church, where she is the overseer of the Children's Ministry (Dreamers), Youth Ministry (W.I.N.D), and Teen Ministry (The S.T.O.R.M.). She thought that it would be a good idea to include the children and youth in this particular outreach to help train and develop them in going the distance to impact the lives of people.

The families selected to receive baskets are those who received homes through Oprah Winfrey's Angel

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Network and Habitat for Humanity, after losing their homes in the Katrina Disaster. Oprah's Angel Network teamed up with Habitat for Humanity to build and furnish homes for 100 families that relocated to Houston, Texas.

The **Because We Care Community Outreach** campaign is really an “again seed” being sown into the lives of those displaced New Orleans residents. From the onset of Hurricane Katrina, New Light Christian Center Church has been very instrumental in providing assistance to the families affected by the storm. Under the direction of Drs. I.V. & Bridget Hilliard, New Light has personally assisted hundreds of Katrina families through the provision of food, clothing, furnished apartments, employment, transportation and partnering with Harris County Human Services to set up a multi-plex (one-stop-shop) center where families can get their needs addressed and much more.

New Light's First Lady, Dr. Bridget Hilliard, chose to implement the campaign almost 15 months after the disaster to let the new Houstonians know that New Light Church still cares about them. Over 200 adults and children from New Light Church are expected to participate. Drs. Ira & Bridget Hilliard, Pastor Irishea Hilliard-Lewis, Grammy nominated recording artist Kelly Price, and several NuGen Ministry volunteers and youth will be in attendance to deliver baskets to the residents of Greensbrook and Village at Glen Iris (Angel Lane) Subdivisions on November 19, 2006. The deliveries will begin at Greensbrook at 12:30 pm.

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About New Light Christian Center Church

New Light Christian Center Church was founded by Pastors I.V. and Bridget Hilliard in 1984, with 23 members, and has grown to a membership of over 28,000 with locations in north, south and east Houston, Beaumont and Austin, Texas. The church is a non-denominational, bible-based, teaching ministry serving the spiritual needs of today's youths and adults. Pastors Hilliard will take their message of salvation, faith and whole-life prosperity to over 60 different national and international locations in 2006, and via television broadcast on several local and national networks.

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