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Esther and her ladies she tutors from Hiway 80 Rescue Mission ~Women and Children's Shelter



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**IN** a roundabout way we have South Africa to thank for one of our newest volunteers at Hiway 80 Rescue Mission. Esther Brown moved to Longview from Houston after her husband was offered a position with a local law firm. Esther and her husband met while serving as missionaries in South Africa. After their year-long service was complete

## A+ Volunteer ~ Esther Brown

he went home to Houston and continued his education at The University of Houston and Esther returned to her home in West Virginia. Long story short, they married; he graduated from law school; and they both moved to Longview.

In Houston, God began to plant seeds. Esther started to notice the homeless population and her heart was burdened. After moving to Longview, she began hearing great things about the work being done at Hiway 80. Not sure what the Lord had planned for her, **she took the first step in serving by**

**calling Gary Crim** and scheduling a tour. Gary was able to share with her the various opportunities available for serving at the mission. Esther found the perfect fit. She began tutoring three ladies from the Women's Center who are working towards their G.E.D.

"I use this opportunity not only for teaching them how to read; but listening to whatever is going on in their life," explained Esther. Esther has discovered what everyone discovers after working a few weeks at the mission, **"They minister to me too..."**

## Fall Arrives!

With Fall here, it is time to start getting ready for the upcoming Holiday Season!

**One way to volunteer this Thanksgiving and Christmas is to Sponsor an event for our shelter.**

### Events to Sponsor

- Fall Festivities— anytime in October and November
- A trip to Santa Land for our Women and Children's Shelter- Dec 19
- Movies and Malts for our Women and Children's Shelter - Dec 26
- Program Children's Christmas Party for our Men's Center- Dec 23

For more Details and Events contact Gary Crim at 903-759-8101 or by email at [garyc@hiway80rm.org](mailto:garyc@hiway80rm.org)



### Upcoming Events

Oct. 20- Prodigal Conference

Nov. 11- Veterans Day Lunch

Nov. 23- Thanksgiving Lunch

Dec. 17-21- Sorting and wrapping gifts

Volunteer Sign Ups start October 1st! Call Gary

## Prodigal Son Conference

Save the Date! October 20th, 6pm at Hiway 80 Rescue Mission, Program Classroom.

Check us out on :



For all of the latest updates on upcoming opportunities, pictures of events and current needs lists. Please **BECOME A FAN** today!



Road to a New Life Starts Here

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## Just a note from the Volunteer Coordinator!

We are very excited about the upcoming events here at Hiway 80! Are you interested in volunteering this Thanksgiving or Christmas season? If so you should know that I will be open for sign-ups starting October 1st. Volunteer spots fill up quickly, so call as soon as you can if you are interested. I want to take this opportunity to thank Letourneau University and Springhill High School for their service in tearing down a couple of houses on Mission property and thank you to all our volunteers that helped with the Mayor's Beat the Heat Project! If it wasn't for you, the mission would not be able to help as many as we do. Thank You!



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### Needs List

We are in need of :

Towels, Razors, Combs, and non perishable food items.

Those can be donated at 3117 W. Marshall Longview, TX.

### Volunteer Opportunities We currently have a need for :

- **Computer Learning Center Attendants: (Men and Women)**
- Tutors for men and women
- Drivers: pickup and drop off donations
- Pick up and drop off coin box donations from stores
- Children's ministry workers
- Knowledgeable Maintenance persons or electricians and plumbers to mentor program members

If you're interested in any of these things or would like to explore more options, please call Gary at 903-759-8101 ext. 228 or email [garyc@hiway80rm.org](mailto:garyc@hiway80rm.org)



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