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## Peace Center Stars



#### Helen Lee

On March 17, Helen Lee turned 95 years old. This year marks 44 years that Helen has lived in the neighborhood and she has loved every minute of it. Some aspects changed after Katrina, but it will always be where Helen calls home.

Helen is a woman of strong faith, saying "I have my hands in God's hands." She belongs to Second Bethlehem Baptist Church where she is considered the "Mother of the Church."

#### **Curtis & Curtrell**

Brothers Curtis and Curtrell Cook are a joy to have at the Peace Center with a brotherly bond like no other. Older brother Curtis is passionate about football and one day hopes to play for LSU, then for the New Orleans Saints. Younger brother, Curtrell, enjoys backetball. Both boys' favorite subjects in school are math and science. Curtrell says, "I love school. I love learning. I love my teacher. I love the whole class."

The brothers like coming to the Peace Center to get homework help and then to play sports outside or play games like Roblox on the computers. They say, **"The Peace Center is the best place!"** 



## Anniversary Celebrations



#### Peace Center Celebrates 5th Anniversary

The Opening Celebration of the Peace Center took place on September 28, 2014. At that time, we had a dream of what services we might offer to the neighbors of Marlyville-Fountainebleau and Gert Town. Archbishop Hughes, Sr. Therese Leckert, OP, and many Sisters and friends came together to ask God's blessing on the opening of the Dominican Sisters of Peace's first new ministry.

As our programs began to take shape, we went out into the neighborhood to invite people in. Five years later, we want to celebrate what the Peace Center has become and what it represents to the people of the neighborhood. Please join us on Saturday, September 21, from 12:00pm - 3:00pm, to count our blessings with our Peace Center family.

#### **Dominican Sisters Celebrate 10th Anniversary**

The Dominican Sisters of Peace and Associates are celebrating our Tenth Anniversary as a religious Congregation. We are made up of eight Congregations who came together as one. We recently returned from a memorable celebration in St. Louis, MO. Now we hope to continue the celebration in New Orleans by gathering at St. Mary's Dominican High School on Sunday, October 13, at 3:00pm to thank God for our many blessings and connect with our Peace Center friends.



# What we're doing...



Senior Trip to Jazz Fest



Gladewaves Educational Meals



Kids' Trip to Gator Farn





Girls' Summer Camp



Senior Easter Meal

Computer Class



Boys' Summer Camp



After School Program



Senior Bingo

## How You Can help...

- **\$25** will purchase a Senior's meals for 5 days
- **\$35** will support 1 child on 1 field trip
- **\$50** a month will support Peace Center programs
- **\$60** a month will support one child in the After School Homework Program
- **\$100** will purchase 10 gift cards to buy food/medical supplies

### Give Catholic 2019

Celebrated annually on the Tuesday following Thanksgiving, #iGiveCatholic is an online giving day that kicks off the charitable season and brings the Catholic community together to give thanks and to give back. As the first-ever online giving day to celebrate our unique Catholic heritage, the goal of #iGiveCatholic is to rally our Catholic community in support of the organizations that shape our Christian lives: our parishes, schools, and nonprofit ministries.

We are thrilled to announce that the Peace Center will participate in this year's effort. Your donations will help with a much-needed computer upgrade to enhance our adult computer classes and our after school program for kids.

This year #iGiveCatholic takes place on December 3, and donations will be accepted at iGiveCatholic.org from 12:00am until 11:59pm. Will you Give Catholic on Giving Tuesday?

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### Peace Prayer

Ever Creating God, source of eternal peace, you have the dream that all may be one human family. Give us the love, compassion and wisdom we need to overcome the violence, racism and lack of respect for all forms of human and created life. Help us to be instruments of your peace. Amen.