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CHURCH OF GOD IN CHRIST HURRICANE HARVEY RELIEF EFFORT

Memphis, TN (September 5, 2017) The Church of God in Christ (COGIC) Charities has launched a massive national response to the crisis in the Texas Gulf Coast area by collecting and deploying needed resources.

COGIC Charities, the benevolent arm of the Church of God in Christ, has set up regional collection centers, in COGIC churches and other facilities around the country, that will collect much needed items over the next two weeks for the victims of Hurricane Harvey.

These regional collection centers are asking their communities for basic needs items, to include hygienical products and kits, toiletries, nonperishable food items, bottled water, new undergarments (for men and women), new men's and women's clothing, new children's clothing, baby diapers (all sizes), baby formula, cleaning products, plastic garbage bins, shovels, tools, and plastic trash bags.

Volunteers at each COGIC regional collection centers are planning to load approximately 40 semi tractor-trailer trucks with the donated items. Our collection weekend is Friday September 15 thru Sunday, September 17,

On Monday, September 18, 2017, following the collection weekend, semi-tractor trailers will depart from each of the regional collection centers nationwide, in route to the COGIC Super Resource Center in Houston, Texas a 25,000 square foot warehouse. The COGIC Ground Zero Task Force, led by the National Missions and Evangelism Departments and volunteers will unload the large trucks at the Resource Center. From the Super Resource Center the Task Force will load and dispatch smaller trucks for rapid ground response, distributing resources to Houston and the impacted Gulf Coast Areas.

COGIC's Presiding Bishop Charles E. Blake, Sr. says, "Hurricane Harvey has devastated the Texas Gulf Coast area. Many of our pastors, members and thousands of Houstonians were forced to leave their homes submerged in water, along with several of our churches. The Church of God in Christ will help as many people as



possible for as long as possible. Our prayers, our hearts and our resources go out to all of those affected by this overwhelming natural disaster."

The Church of God in Christ, headquartered in Memphis, TN, is one of the oldest and largest Pentecostal denominations in the world and the 4th largest Protestant group in the United States, with churches in 87 countries worldwide and a membership of nearly 6.5 million adherents.

The COGIC Charities regional collection centers can be found at the following locations:

ALABAMA

O. L. Meadows Cathedral 5298 Bessemer Superhighway Brighton, Alabama 35020 205-462-5054

New Life COGIC Annex 2 5000 Patterson Road Montgomery, Alabama 36116 334-558-0258

CALIFORNIA

Glad Tidings Church Of God In Christ 1027 W. Tennyson Road Hayward, California 94544 510-783-9377

Acts Full Gospel Church Of God In Christ 1034 66th Ave. Oakland, California 94621 844-429-2342

West Angeles Church Of God In Christ 3600 Crenshaw Blvd. Los Angeles, California 90016 323-733-8300

St. Stephens Church Of God In Christ 5825 Imperial Ave San Diego, California 92114



Grace Temple Church of God in Christ 1001 Fitzuren Road Antioch, CA 94509 Pastor Henry Kelly Phone: 925-779-1491

Saints Community Church of God in Christ 3740 E Ashlan Supt. Bruce McAlister Fresno, CA 93726 Phone: 559 227-9819

Grace Temple Church of God in Christ 1970 Clarke Avenue East Palo Alto, CA 94303 Bishop Leo Smith Phone: 408-505-2599

Williams Memorial Church of God in Christ 4495 Martin Luther King Blvd Sacramento, CA 92580 Pastor Larry Meeks Phone: 916-453-9033

Greater Fellowship COGIC 1937 East 8th Street Stockton, CA 95206 Pastor Darrel Smith 209-688-8656

ILLINOIS

Ashley's Quality Care, Inc. 610 West Root Street (41st and Wallace Streets) Chicago, Illinois 60609 312-678-5730

INDIANA

Freedom Temple Church Of God In Christ 2101 E. Brookside Indianapolis, Indiana 46218 317-638-7446



MASSACHUSETTS

Fresh Anointing Church Of God in Christ 961 St. James Ave. Springfield, Massachusetts 01109 413-221-2647

MICHIGAN

New St. Paul Tabernacle Church Of God In Christ 15340 Southfield Freeway (Bishop P.A. Brooks Drive) Detroit, Michigan 48223

Greater Emmanuel Institutional COGIC 19190 Schafer Highway Detroit, Michigan 48235 313-864-7170

Cathedral of Faith Church of God in Christ 6031 DuPont St. Flint, MI 48505 Administrative Assistant Christopher E. Martin, Pastor 810-458-7718

Holy Trinity Church of God in Christ 2240 Valley St, Muskegon, Michigan 49441

Community Church of God in Christ 870 Nate Wells Dr. Benton Harbor, Michigan

MISSISSIPPI

Mississippi Delta Council 1536 Desoto Avenue Clarksdale, Mississippi 38614 Contact Person: Donald Green (662) 902-1373 *Call Before Drop Off

Saints Academy/COGIC B.S. Lyles Building 16979 Highway 17 South



Lexington, Mississippi 39095 Contact Person: Clint Cobbins (601) 502-7808

MISSOURI

Williams Temple Church of God in Christ 1500 Union Blvd St Louis, Missouri 63113 Elder Lawrence Wooten, Jr. (314) 368-9696 Mark Carter (314) 496-5084

Shiloh Temple COGIC

4100 Washington Boulevard St Louis, Missouri, 63108 Missionary Angela Sanders (314) 713-3760

El Bethel Church of God in Christ

4020 Page Boulevard St Louis, Missouri 63113 Missionary Barbara Hooks (314) 753-7942 Minister Samuel Watts (314) 240-6600

Miracle Temple Complex Church of God in Christ

4101 Jennings Station Road Pine Lawn, Missouri 63121 Superintendent T J Rodgers (314) 443-4773 Elder Johnathan Rodgers (314) 323-3470

New Life Community Church of God in Christ

1570 Chambers Road St Louis, Missouri 63136 Auxiliary Bishop Timothy Smith (314) 393-5199

NEW YORK

Zion Cathedral Church Of God In Christ 312 Grand Ave. Freeport, New York 11520



NORTH CAROLINA

Abundant Life Christian Center Church Of God In Christ 4400 Old Poole Rd. Raleigh, North Carolina 27610 919-231-1197

OHIO

Gateway Church of God in Christ 5501 Olive Rd. Trotwood, OH 45426 Elder Norman J. Scearce III, Pastor 937-479-4404

TEXAS

Saintsville Church Of God In Christ 2200 S. Marsalis Ave Dallas, TX 75216 214-375-4105

Strong Arm's Church of God in Christ 135 Pemberton Hill Rd Dallas, TX 75217 Bishop Nathaniel Wells, 4214-398-9030 Michael Jackson, 214-710-0609

TENNESSEE

Mason Temple (National Headquarters) 930 Mason Street Memphis, Tennessee 38126

VIRGINIA

New Community Temple Church Of God In Christ 3615 Tyreneck (Bishop Ted G. Thomas Way) Portsmouth, Virginia 23703 757-484-8903