The Adventist Church Provides Relief to Victims of Hurricane Sandy

According to U.S. news reports, more than 100 people have died and eight million have been without power because of “Superstorm” Sandy that recently whipped through the East Coast. On Sunday, November 4, members of the North American Division Executive Committee voted the following at the 2012 Year-end Meeting:

- The North American Division will appropriate $500,000 to the “Adventist Community Services (ACS) Hurricane Sandy Relief Fund.”

- The North American Division has established this Sabbath, November 10, as a Sabbath for churches to take a special offering for Hurricane Sandy victims. This offering will go above and beyond the allocation to the “Hurricane Sandy Relief Fund.”

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- The funds will be distributed under the recommendation of a NAD-appointed committee.

In addition, the General Conference gave $200,000, the Atlantic Union Conference gave $30,000, the Guam Micronesia Mission gave $20,000, the Pacific Union Conference gave $10,000, and the Southern Union Conference gave $10,000 in support of Sandy relief efforts.

“It’s important for our church to be there to help people who have been affected by widespread devastation,” said Pastor Dan Jackson, president of the Seventh-day Adventist Church in North America. “We could be the Jesus that some of these people will only see and experience from these acts of kindness,” he said.

How You Can Help Financially and Otherwise...

1. Give at your local church this Sabbath, November 10. Special bulletin announcements are available in English, French and Spanish, all in both color and black and white. Please make sure all donations are noted for “ACS Hurricane Sandy Relief Fund” and made payable to ACS Disaster Response.

2. Web site - Give through the ACS Web site.

3. Mail your donation - You can mail your donation directly to Adventist Community Services, Attn: ACS Disaster Response, 12501 Old Columbia Pike, Silver Spring, MD 20904. Make checks payable to ACS Disaster Response.

4. Prepare care kits for victims - There are 10 different types of care kits that can help people who are displaced from their homes and schools. Go here for the list and contents of each and information about where to send them.

5. Pray - Continue to pray for the many victims of this disaster, and for all of our faithful ACS and rescue and
About Adventist Community Services Disaster Response
Adventist Community Services Disaster Response (ACS DR) teams in partnership with other voluntary agencies and federal and state governments, meets the physical, emotional and spiritual needs of those affected by providing food, blankets, clothing, and other much needed relief supplies.

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