

# "Hurricane Harvey"

## The Church of God in Christ - A Passionate Response to People in Crisis

People in the Houston, Texas Metropolitan area are suffering from this devastating storm of historic magnitude. Tragically, there appears to be more rain in the forecast. There is a tremendous need for food, shelter, clothing, hygiene products, and volunteers.

Coordinating with Federal, State and Local emergency management officials, the Church of God in Christ is immediately executing an aggressive strategy that will include a nationwide appeal for resources and an organized regional collection and delivery process that will maximize impact and speed up response and recovery. COGIC will be focus on caring for as many people as possible satisfying the immediate need for emergency food and shelter.

### Goal:

1. To mount a massive, national response to the crisis in the Gulf by collecting and deploying resources made available throughout the church in a way that will be most impactful;
2. To establish regional collection centers with streamlined processes in place to convey the resources collected to impacted communities;
3. To determine exactly what the needs are in impacted communities and provide our churches with a recommended list of resources to be collected;
4. To immediately launch a national campaign encouraging Jurisdictions, Churches and individuals to send resources to the regional collection centers; and to
5. To establish a COGIC Super Resource Center in Houston, Texas.
6. The COGIC Super Resource Center shall facilitate trucks, cargo, response teams, and volunteers to be dispatched to critical areas on short notice at the direction of the National COGIC Missions Director operating at Ground Zero (*Houston and impacted communities throughout the Gulf Coast Area*).

This national effort will result in hundreds of trucks from around the nation delivering to 1 of the 20 (plus) regional drop off centers who will load 18 wheelers (40'-50' trucks):

### Items to be donated: To help people of Harvey:

- Non-Perishable Food
- Bottled Water
- Pampers all sizes
- Women's Personal Products
- **New** Undergarments (men/women)
- **New** Children, Youth Clothing
- **New** Men and Women's Clothing
- Baby Food and Formula
- Plastic Garbage Pails
- Shovels and Tools
- Plastic Trash Bags



**CHURCH OF GOD IN CHRIST**  
**Hurricane Harvey**  
**REGIONAL COLLECTION CENTERS**  
**COLLECTION WEEKEND**  
**September 16-17, 2017**  
**Saturday and Sunday**

On Monday, September 18, 2017, (1-3) Semi-Tractor Trailers will depart from each of the Regional Collection Centers beginning Monday, September 18, in route to the **COGIC Super Resource Center**, Houston, Texas. **The COGIC Ground Zero Task Force**, lead by the National Missions Department will be prepared to unload the 18 wheelers 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 Areas.

**Birmingham, Alabama**  
**Montgomery, Alabama**  
**Hayward, California**  
**Oakland, California**  
**Los Angeles, California**  
**San Diego, California**  
**Tampa, Florida**  
**Chicago, Illinois**  
**Clarksdale, Mississippi**  
**Raleigh, North Carolina**  
**Detroit, Michigan**  
**St. Louis, Missouri**  
**Long Island, New York**  
**Philadelphia, Pennsylvania**  
**Memphis, Tennessee**  
**Norfolk, Virginia**

*Additional Cities, Addresses, Locations and Contact Info Available Later Today*