URGENT – The National Baptist Convention USA Inc., through its Laymen Auxiliary, is looking for 50 men to help with recovery efforts in Louisiana from August 29 through September 2, 2016. You don’t have to be an active participant in the Laymen movement to respond to this call for help!!!

Interested parties should contact Harold Simmons at (816) 898-6828 as soon as possible. As a courtesy, please let our State Laymen President, Bro. Delester Jefferson know of your participation as well.

URGENT – Dr. Jerry Young is asking all NBCUSA Churches to make a donation to the Disaster Relief Fund to support contributions to, and operations helping Louisiana flood victims. Donations can be made via the Givelify app for mobile devices, by credit card through at the NBCUSA Website, or by check or money order through the mail.

We ask the District to consider creating a line item for Disaster Relief so that we could solicit donations and be able to respond as a District to disaster situations.

UPCOMING – Red Cross Presentation on what we (churches) can do to help prepare for and respond to disasters. August 27, 2016 – 11am – 1:30pm at New Northside MB Church.

Your Disaster Preparedness Committee was a participant in the MBSCM Home Missions Rally and Community Festival on Saturday, July 30, 2016.
We have a seat at the table when the St. Louis City – County Community Organizations Active in Disasters (COAD) meets. Right now as a District, we bring nothing to the table when we go. We need YOUR input and support in that area!

1. Designate someone from your church to be on or liaise with the District disaster committee.
2. If you are currently involved in disaster response and / or relief, let us know how.
3. Through your member / Liaison, participate in our meetings to learn ways you as a church could help and consider what works for you.
4. You can also learn ways to help prepare your members and your church should disaster strike close to home.
5. Let us know if you have workers who are willing to help out locally or otherwise when able, and if those workers have skills (none required).

Humbly submitted,

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