



As each one has received a gift, minister it to one another, as good stewards of the manifold grace of God. 1 Peter 4:10

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Dear Missions Committee Members,

Thank you for giving me the opportunity to share my heart with you concerning a wonderful opportunity for our church body. As you may know, I have been a volunteer missionary with Eight Days of Hope in the past. Except for two staff members, Eight Days of Hope is an all-volunteer, nonprofit, faith-based organization committed to helping homeowners rebuild after a natural disaster. This year, we will be serving in Lafayette, LA from June 4th – June 11th to help in the rebuilding after the record floods this past year. We anticipate that there will be over 2,500 volunteers to join us over this eight-day period.

I am asking that our church body consider collaborating with Eight Days of Hope to share the Gospel of Jesus Christ to this community. Eight Days of Hope does not charge the volunteers to participate and they provide food and lodging to all. There are several ways that our church body can partner with Eight Days of Hope for this mission trip:

- Pray for the mission and the time leading up to the event.
- Provide a donation to help defray the estimated cost of feeding the volunteers. (\$80,000 est.) Any amount would be greatly appreciated!
- Provide financial support for the mission of Eight Days of Hope specifically in the form of underwriting one meal (\$3,000)
- Provide financial support for the materials needed to replace a roof (\$2,500), re-wire a home (\$2,000) or supply insulation and drywall (\$2,500).

Eight Days of Hope is planning on working in over 250 homes during these dates. Since its inception, Eight Days of Hope has rebuilt over 1,780 homes all over the country, for free. As a past Eight Days of Hope missionary, I can truly say that this is a life-changing experience.

In His service,