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Dear Missions Committee Members,

Thank you for 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. Eight Days of Hope is a nonprofit, all volunteer, faith-based organization committed to helping homeowners rebuild after a natural disaster. We will work in Tupelo, Mississippi from July 12th – July 19th to help in the rebuilding after the recent tornado. We anticipate that there will be over 2,000 volunteers to join us over this eight day period.

I am asking that our church body consider partnering 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 provides food and lodging to all volunteers. The average cost to support one volunteer for this eight day mission is \$500. 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 financial support for the mission of Eight Days of Hope specifically in the form of underwriting one meal (\$2,500) or a day of meals (\$7,500).
- Provide financial support for the materials needed to replace a roof (\$2,000), re-wire a home (\$1,750) or supply insulation and drywall (\$2,250).

I would welcome the opportunity to meet with the Committee to discuss further our church's involvement in this mission. As a veteran Eight Days of Hope missionary I can truly say that this is a life-changing experience.

In His service,



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Dear Friend of Eight Days of Hope,

Eight Days of Hope was meant to be a one-time visit to the Gulf Coast with a handful of people after Hurricane Katrina. God has allowed this ministry to blossom into so much more! On ten different occasions thousands of volunteers have ministered to people's needs after Hurricanes Katrina, Rita, Irene, Isaac, the floods in Cedar Rapids, Iowa and Nashville, Tennessee, and the tornados in Northeast Mississippi and Northwest Alabama. Recently, on our tenth trip, we helped families in LaPlace, La. rebuild because of the damage caused by Hurricane Isaac. Eight Days of Hope has one goal: **Love people and serve people as Jesus loves us!**

Some of the highlights from our ten trips include:

- *13,710 volunteers have participated in these relief efforts!

- *Eight Days of Hope has remodeled, refurbished or rebuilt 1,482 homes!

- *\$18.2 million dollars of labor has been donated through Eight Days of Hope!

- *Volunteers from 44 states and six countries have come to work! In fact over 452,000 man-hours have been worked during these ten trips!

We covet your prayers as we prepare for our next trip to be held July 12 – July 19th in Tupelo, Mississippi. We hope to help hundreds of families rebuild their homes in the aftermath of a tornado that struck this area on April 28th. Our website, www.eightdaysofhope.com has all of the information about this upcoming trip and our ministry.

We are expecting between 2,300 – 2,700 volunteers over the course of these eight days and are in need of businesses, churches and/or individuals to come along side this ministry to help offset the costs. Would you consider supporting Eight Days of Hope? The cost of one meal to feed our volunteers is roughly \$2,500. We would surely appreciate **any donation** to help bring hope to the families feeling hopeless in this community. The cost for materials alone could exceed \$250,000.

We are a 501(c)(3) nonprofit, all volunteer organization. You may donate online or send a gift to Eight Days of Hope, PO 3208, Tupelo, Mississippi 38803. Donation statements are sent to all donors in January of the year following their donation.

May God bless you as you consider how you can make a difference with Eight Days of Hope!

Stephen Tybor III

President

Eight Days of Hope