

Hi Friends,

I hope you've had a great week! I have some exciting news to share about how we can help build 3 new homes for our neighbors in Beauregard. Our disaster recovery partnership with Port St Joe UMC is also coming together. Thank you again for all the ways you continue to share Christ's love!

RSVP – Sunday May 5th – If you have been involved with our disaster response in Lee County or with hurricane relief/recovery or if you would like to become involved, you are invited to join us for a disaster recovery luncheon on Sunday May 5th after the 11a service in the fellowship hall. Rev. Geoffrey Lentz from Port St Joe UMC will be joining us to share about his church and community's recovery and we'll also hear an update on Lee County recovery efforts. Please RSVP by Monday April 29th to Karen Green at karen.greene@aumc.net or call 334.826.8800.

As always, please feel free to contact me if you have any questions or ideas about ways our church can be in ministry!

Quick Links Tornado Response

- [Click here](#) to download the **Auburn UMC Volunteer Form**. Complete this form and bring it with you if you are serving on a work site. This form can be given to your Auburn UMC team leader or to Karen Green at the main reception desk in Mathison Lobby (or email it to her at karen.greene@aumc.net) if you're serving with a non-Auburn UMC team.
- **Did you volunteer at the EMA Operations Center or Warehouse?** Great! [Please click here to record your hours of service.](#)
- Learn more about Lee County's grass-roots, long-term disaster recovery group called MEND at www.eamc.org/mend. MEND is comprised of various sub-committees ranging from home rebuilding, civic groups, Auburn University, healthcare, mental health, animal care, schools, restaurants and more! [Your organization can join MEND using this online form.](#)

Tornado Response Opportunities to Serve

- Cleanup with Homeowners
 - **TOMORROW:** Join a team of volunteers serving with Alabama Rural Ministry (ARM). Register at www.arm-al.org/tornadoregistration to let ARM know you'd like to serve. Volunteers are meeting at the ARM office (200 N 26th St Opelika, AL 36801) at 8am and plan to serve in Beauregard.
 - If you can't serve tomorrow, you can still register to serve at www.arm-al.org/tornadoregistration and specify dates you are available!
 - Bring your own lunch and drinking water. Wear pants and closed toe shoes.
- *****NEW HOME BUILD***** – The Fuller Center for Housing is building 3 new homes at the end of this month for families in Beauregard. They will return in September to build 6 more! Here's how we can help in April/May:
 - Sat. April 27th, 10:30a-4:30p – Help frame 3 sets of walls at Providence Baptist Church.
 - Mon. April 29th – Fri. May 3rd – Help build homes, paint siding, and more! Construction and non-construction volunteers are needed. Arrive at Providence Baptist Church at 7:30a. All tools and materials are provided. Lunch and drinking water are provided too!
 - Mon. May 6th – Fri. May 10th – Help with “finishing touches” like installing flooring, landscaping, and more. We will focus our efforts with Mr. Napoleon Darby's home (see below).

- **SPECIAL:** One of the homes is being built for Napoleon Darby. This is the same gentleman we were able to help move into a new apartment with new furniture and home goods just after the storm. We're so excited for this opportunity to assist Napoleon with his recovery!
- EMA Warehouse Volunteers – sorting and organizing supplies, **Monday-Saturday**, 8a-5p, at [309 Williamson Ave Opelika, AL 36801](#). Minimum Age to serve is 14. [CLICK HERE to record your service hours at the warehouse.](#)
- MEND Call Center Volunteers: The MEND call center is open from 8a-5p, Mon-Fri. This center is answering questions from survivors and volunteers interested in helping. It is located at the EAMC Foundation Building (407 W Thomason Circle Opelika, AL 36801). Sign up to serve by contacting the call center at 334-528-MEND (6363).

Thank you!

Blessings,

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