

Dear Friend:

You may or may not have recently heard of the destruction that Hurricane Dennis has caused to the Powder Springs area. As Pastor of Clay Road Baptist Church, in Austell, we have suffered a significant amount of damage to both our sanctuary and our fellowship hall. The estimated damage is around \$200,000 to get both of these cleaned out and back in a condition where we can meet in them. I am sending this out so that you, and your church, will remember us in your prayers, as we move forward fixing the church. It is estimated that it will take about 90 days to get where we can finally have services in our sanctuary again. The outpouring of support from our sister churches and God's children has been truly amazing and honestly for me, quite humbling. Everyone has gone out of their way to help and offer their services as we continue the work of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. Many of you have called and asked "How can we help your church?", and I am so very thankful for all of the calls and support you have given us, as we are all one family in Christ. For those of you who have asked concerning donating to the church, I will include, at the end of this letter, an address to the funeral home in which we are having our services moving forward, until our church is finished. They have been kind enough to setup a fund, on behalf of the church, to accept donations toward our building fund. We are asking all of the community/churches, if possible, to please prayerfully consider helping in any way you can, as our flood insurance does not cover the estimated damage by half. We are a small independent Baptist church, and are trusting and believing that God is going to provide a way so that all our needs will be provided for. This is his promise in the scriptures, that he will provide for our every need according to his riches in glory. Any donation given by your church will go directly toward the rebuilding and reconstruction of our church. Lastly, I am including both my home phone number as well as my personal cell number so that you can call me directly should you have any questions regarding this letter. Again, thank you so much for your support and help during this difficult time. Yours in Christ.

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All donations may be sent to:
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Contact: Debbie Struempf
(Please designate all donations in c/o Clay Road Baptist Church Building Fund, as this will be the only way the funeral home can differentiate where this is going.)