# Rev. John Jackson of Dallas Family Church organizes aid for Hurricane Ida recovery

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Flooding from Hurricane Ida in coastal Louisiana

"Many people have suffered life-changing disaster from this hurricane," said Rev. John Jackson, pastor of Dallas Family Church and Southwest director of the Family Federation for World Peace and Unification (FFWPU). "Most people likely know someone that has been affected by Hurricane Ida."

Torrential rain, winds, and flooding swept through parts of the U.S. as Hurricane Ida made landfall August 29. A month later, communities from Louisiana to New York are still picking up the pieces.

With countless people <u>displaced</u>, Unificationists across the country are banding together to aid recovery efforts in Louisiana. A GoFundMe <u>page</u> set up by Rev. Jackson has already amassed 57 donations to help those in need, totaling more than \$9,600 of the \$12,000 goal.

"May all gifts be multiplied," said Cindy Pfeiffer, a donor from North Dakota. "Prayers that the recipients will feel that we love them and are with them!"

"Good luck and God bless to all our brothers and sisters recovering from Hurricane Ida," said Michael La Hogue, another donor from Massachusetts.

Reportedly the fifth largest hurricane to strike the US mainland, thousands of people are still without

power in <u>hard hit areas</u>. In a recent press conference, Louisiana Gov. John Bel Edwards said relief efforts in his state are still largely underway after the <u>deadly and destructive</u> Category 4 hurricane left entire neighborhoods submerged.

"We will help those in Louisiana that have lost their homes or need repairs," said Rev. Jackson, who oversees nine states in the South and Southwest. He said he feels personally responsible to help as many people as possible recover from the storm.

"One of the families that we are helping sustained significant flooding in their home and yard as well as roof damage," he said.

Remnants of Hurricane Ida also pummeled Pennsylvania, New Jersey and New York City causing dangerous flash flooding and a number of deaths.

"Sadly, more than a few folks have passed as a result of this," said New Jersey Gov. Phil Murphy during a Sept. 3 <u>news briefing</u>. About a half dozen states including New Jersey declared a state of emergency.

"People were told to evacuate and most did just that," said Rev. Jackson, "but they returned to flooded homes and broken power lines with no electricity for what looks like weeks or longer. People have fallen trees and roofs that need mending. And in some cases, there was loss of life, while in other cases, memories have been washed away and only pieces remain."

Storm clean up efforts across several states are projected to cost at least \$31 billion in damages, according to multiple reports.

"Our leadership in Alabama and Louisiana will disburse these funds for repairs from the storm to the parties in need," said Rev. Jackson, who expressed gratitude for the donations and the community's support. "We have many people who need help and we're thankful for any offering. Everyone's time and support is very much appreciated."

You can donate to the Hurricane Ida recovery fund for Louisiana's community here.



#### Help FFWPU in Louisiana repair their homes!

**\$9,748** raised of \$12,000 goal



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John Jackson is organizing this fundraiser.

Hi My name is Rev. John Jackson I am the the Subregional Pastor for the Southern region of the USA FFWPU. it means I am responsible for members of Family Federation for World Peace in Arizona, New Mexico, Texas, Oklahoma, Arkansas, Louisiana, Mississippi, Alabama, and Tennessee. I am writing you today because of the devastation of Hurricane Ida. Many people in Louisiana have suffered life changing disaster from this hurricane. You most likely know someone that has been displaced because Ida. People were told to evacuate. Most did just that only to return to flooded homes, broken powerline, with no electricity for what looks like weeks possibly a month. other have fallen trees and roofs that need mending. In some cases there were loss of life, in others memories washed away and only pieces remain. I My request is that you help me help them. We have many that need your help from Louisiana to New York. Help us help them with an offering today. We will help those in Louisiana and that have lost their homes or need simple repairs but only with your help thank you for your time and your support. It is very much appreciated. In communication with our members and leadership in Alabama and Louisiana we will disperse funds for repairs for this effort. I will personally disperse funds directly to the needed parties. Thank you again.

Rev. John Jackson

### **Updates (1)**

by John Jackson, Organizer

These pictures are from one of the families that we are helping, the millers. The millers have sustained significant damage flooding, and roof damage. They have degree from flooding all over the yard. Femur said they would help, but so far no help on the way. Your generous donations will help families like the millers. Thank you for giving!





**Fundraiser Stats** 

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Jorge Cuello Espinosa donated **\$15** 

I'm grateful for the leadership of Rev. John Jackson and other FFWPU members in the South.

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