

Neighborhood Recovery Assistance Event

Locations and times:

Thursday, January 28, 2016

9:30am- noon

Pastor Blakely N Scott
First Nazareth Baptist Church
2351 Gervais St
Columbia, SC 29204

Thursday January 28, 2016

7PM-9PM

Pastor Kary Poinset
St Luke Presbyterian Church
324 Mingo St.
Orangeburg, SC

Friday January 29, 2016

10:00AM- noon

Pastor Sam Martin
James Island Presbyterian Church
1632 Fort Johnson Rd
Charleston, SC 29412

Saturday January 30, 2016

10:00AM- noon

Mt Clare Baptist Church
1009 East Main Street
Lake City, SC

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David Meyers, President Obama's appointee as director to DHS **Center for Faith Based and Neighborhood Partnerships**, will be touring the State in an effort to inform, empower, and engage community faith based organizations about the need for assistance for SC survivor recovery from the October floods.

Mr Meyers will travel to South Carolina in support of the SC Voluntary Organizations Active in Disasters to increase participation of faith-based organizations in Long Term Recovery Groups (LTRG). South Carolina has formed 12 LTRG's, which help meet the needs of disaster survivors through coordination of non-government resources. Currently, there is limited participation of faith-based groups in at least four of these groups.

Faith based community participation in the newly forming long term recovery groups is essential to building sustainable, successful, and resourceful support to survivors of the October SC floods. At this time in the development of long term recovery groups there is insufficient representation of faith based organizations.

The purpose of the Center is inform and empower faith based organizations about their role in whole community recovery for individuals and families affected by disasters.

Attendees will learn about:

- Practical participation in recovery activities through real world examples of successful faith based participation
- Offer ways to participate in the various committees and resource opportunities within long term recovery groups
- Encourage faith based leadership to create sustainable communities in preparedness for the next disaster event.

Mr. Meyers will provide 4, lectures throughout the state between Jan 28-30th. Lectures will be held in houses of worship.

Please plan to attend one of the lectures and support our State in recovery from the devastating October floods.