

On Thursday, September 7, 2017 4:45 PM, Program Coordinator
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First UMC / *SPECIAL* Email Blast

Congratulations, First UMC! Last week & on Labor Day weekend, **over \$2,000** was taken in our offerings designated for Disaster Relief. Since that time, we have watched the news reports of the wildfires in Montana, Oregon, Washington & California. Now, Hurricane Irma is leaving devastation in the Caribbean, and Florida is preparing for damaging winds and rains this weekend. Lord, have mercy!

In our community & area, many people want to help, and some are even collecting items! Our United Methodist Committee on Relief and Great Plains Disaster Coordinators remind us that one of the **BEST** ways that we can provide support is through **UMCOR**. They are now collecting **Cleaning Buckets** and **monetary gifts** – remember that **100%** of our gifts go toward the disaster relief; that's right: every penny goes where needed most!

We have also learned that the updated value of a cleaning bucket is around **\$65** (previously reported as \$55). We will continue to collect a **Special Offering** this weekend, September 9 & 10 and again on September 16 & 17. The devastation around our nation continues – prayerfully consider a gift to help out. If you give a check, please put “Disaster Relief” or “UMCOR” in the memo line.

Thank You, again, for your generosity! Together, we make a difference!

Grace & Peace,

First UMC Church Council

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