

Operation Blessing International Offering Free Housing & Meals For Tornado Cleanup Volunteers In Albany, GA Starting Friday

VIRGINIA BEACH, VA (January 26, 2017) – Operation Blessing International, the global humanitarian organization that is coordinating volunteer efforts in Albany, GA in the wake of deadly tornadoes, will begin offering free housing and meals for teams of volunteers who sign up to help beginning this Friday, January 27.

Earlier this week, Operation Blessing deployed its U.S. Disaster Relief team to Albany to assist residents with cleanup from tornadoes that killed 20 people throughout the Southeast over the weekend. The group began coordinating local volunteer efforts yesterday and is currently accepting requests for free volunteer help from residents whose homes have been damaged.

Anyone interested in volunteer housing must register by calling OB's National Volunteer Manager, Trudy Rauch, at 757.226.3407 or by emailing your name, phone number, date you would like to arrive, and the number of volunteers in your team (minimum of 2 people per team) to volunteer@ob.org. Operation Blessing requires that all volunteers needing overnight housing register 24-48 hours in advance. Operation Blessing will respond to phone and email inquiries within 24-48 hours. Please make sure you receive a confirmation from Operation Blessing before heading to Albany.

Operation Blessing will provide lodging, meals, tools and work assignments free of charge. Volunteers must provide their own transportation to and from the worksite each day, must be at least 18 years old, and must serve in teams of at least 2 people to be considered for housing.

ABOUT OPERATION BLESSING INTERNATIONAL:

Operation Blessing International (OBI) is one of the largest charities in America, providing humanitarian services such as strategic disaster relief, medical aid, hunger relief, clean water and community development in 37 countries in the last year. Forbes currently ranks OBI as one of its "100 Largest Charities" with an efficiency rating of 99%. Founded in 1978, Operation Blessing International has touched the lives of more than 292 million people in more than 105 countries and 50 states, providing goods and services valued at over \$4.2 billion.

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