

September 2, 2008

Praying Friends,

I have spent the day praying while I made final preparations to respond to the aftermath of Gustav. The Crisis Response Van is packed as is our trailer. The Ruckus is loaded up. The Bibles and booklets are ready. The bottled water, Gator Aid, and snacks all have a tract attached to them and are ready to hand out. Lord willing, I will be leaving in the morning, Wed. 9-3-08, on my way to Centerville LA - about 100 miles West of New Orleans. This is close to where the center of the hurricane came onshore. One of our C & M A Churches is located there, and my plan is to work out of the Church alongside Pastor Curtis Pace and assist area residents as well as the Emergency Service personnel.

Please keep us in your prayers. We need protection and provision. But mostly I just want to be used for His glory. I want people to see the love of the LORD reflected in me. I want to convey His care for each of them as they struggle to make sense of the difficult situation they face. Pray that I will have the discernment to know when to just 'be there' and listen and pray that I will have the right words when appropriate.

My prayer for each of you is that the LORD will continue to bless you and accomplish His purpose, in and thru your life, for the Kingdom.

Your fellow servant,

Chaplain Paul Northcut
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