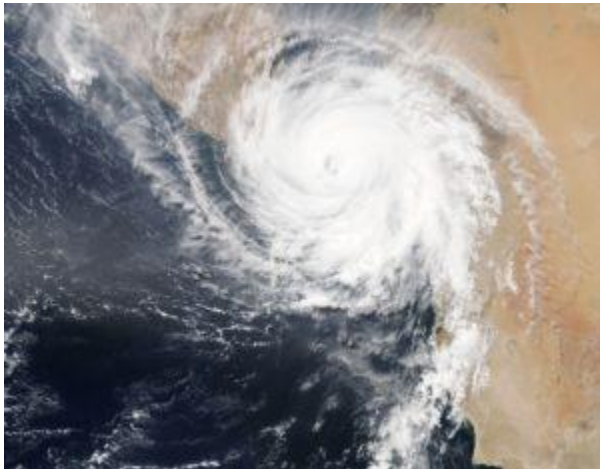


From: Bill Hall <bill.hall53@gmail.com>
Sent: September 4, 2019 10:40 AM
Subject: Bahamas

Hello Everyone. This information about the hurricane in the Bahamas just appeared in the GCI update. I'll let you know if we get a request for help. Averil and I will be going there next week for our first Community of Practice meeting. I'll be able to touch base with the McKinneys then. Bill

Disaster Relief – Hurricane Dorian Wreaking Havoc in The Bahamas



The following is an update from Charles Fleming, Mission Developer, on our members in The Bahamas, in the wake of Hurricane Dorian.

I spoke with Robert McKinney, National Director for the Caribbean, and his wife Tania, an hour ago. They are fine as are the brethren on Nassau. Abaco is a different story. All communications have been cut so they only have a few details as Dorian continues to inflict damage. Tania says houses there have been flattened. Not just roofs off, but solid cinder block homes have been leveled. Relatives of a member lost their home and have been moving from one evacuation center to another as they have been compromised. In some places, flooding is 10 feet deep. Freeport is also experiencing the worst of the storm. Robert spoke to his sister who said all their relatives including Robert's mother are okay.

The recovery is going to be very challenging. Tania mentioned that Abaco is the 3rd largest economic center on the island.

I have seen two heartrending videos on YouTube of people surrounded by water desperately praying as they recorded the carnage. Robert asked me to say thank you for all your continuing prayers. Tania said that prayers are what has been making a difference for everyone.

In prayer,
Charles

Additional update from Robert McKinney:

Family and friends, we can all breathe a collective sigh of relief and shout a collective Hallelujah as Dorian makes his way out of our waters. I am happy to report that as far as we are aware, all my family members and all our brethren in Freeport, as well as in Moores Island, are well. Now begins the task of picking up the pieces and rebuilding. I encourage us all to assist in whatever way we can. Stay strong in the Lord, and may our faith always rest in His mighty power.