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**Greetings Eighth District family:**

**The Eighth Episcopal District is experiencing another season of a weather-related disaster. Because our faith in God is stronger than our circumstance or situation, we know that this, too, will pass. We pray continuously for those individuals, families and congregations impacted by the flooding.**

**We ask special prayers for Mrs. Mercedes Williams, a member of Black Creek AME Church, and her family. Her brother, Mr. Samuel Muse, was drowned in the rising, swift waters of the flood.**

**The Eighth District Disaster Relief Ministry is doing an assessment. In a sincere effort to establish an accurate assessment, the assistance of presiding elders, pastors, and AME congregants is needed. Information or data collected will be compiled into one report and then presented to the Council of Bishops and subsequently shared with the connectional church and Eighth Episcopal District.**

**I am requesting that you complete the attached form in triplicate and return one each via email to [eighthdistamec@aol.com](mailto:eighthdistamec@aol.com), [meld747@cox.net](mailto:meld747@cox.net), (your presiding elder's email address) by August 19, 2016.**

**Eighth District Disaster Relief Ministry Members**

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| <b>Mr. Melvin Davis</b>     | <b>Rev. Denise Lane</b>      |
| <b>Dr. Herman Kelly</b>     | <b>Rev. Nettie Ranel</b>     |
| <b>Rev. Samuel H. Boyd</b>  | <b>Mrs. Brenda Hurst</b>     |
| <b>Rev. Keith Sanders</b>   | <b>Ms. Della Archie</b>      |
| <b>Rev. Rayfield Palmer</b> | <b>Ms. Earline Blackmore</b> |

**The Presiding Elders**

**Thank you for your immediate response.**

**Yours in His Service,**

*Julius H. McAllister, Sr.*  
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