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Lott Carey Continues Services for Hurricane Victims One Year Later
Mission Spends Close to \$1 Million to Support Those in Need

(August 29, 2006 – Washington, DC) Lott Carey Baptist Foreign Mission Convention continues to help people rise again, one year after hundreds of thousands of residents were evacuated or forced from their homes by Hurricane Katrina. With the formation of the Resurrection Resource Centers, Lott Carey has helped thousands throughout Mississippi and Louisiana rebuild their lives by providing specialized services and comprehensive legal assistance, pastoral support, counseling and encouragement as well as helping victims find employment and temporary housing.

To date the Lott Carey network has helped tens of thousands of hurricane victims and has spent an estimated \$850,000 in their recovery efforts in the Gulf Coast. “Our primary goal was to go beyond the initial phase of relief to help the people of Louisiana and Mississippi prepare for the road ahead. One year later we are now concentrating on helping these victims improve their quality of life and rebuild,” said Dr. David Emmanuel Goatley, the executive secretary-treasurer of Lott Carey.

Lott Carey has also collaborated with several organizations to launch many different community development projects including spring break and summer camps as well as distributing goods such as refrigerators, mattresses, box springs, school uniforms, school supplies and tennis shoes. Lott Carey in partnership with Greater St. Mary

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Community Development Foundation, Lake Charles Tax Credit Developer and B.J. Max Community Development Corporation has plans to build 200 homes in the Lake Charles Area.

Recently Lott Carey received \$450,000 from members of Fountain Baptist Church as a down payment for a \$1 million pledge. Over the next two years, Lott Carey will use the funds from “The Fountain Project” to help hurricane victims rise again. With funds from “The Fountain Project,” Lott Carey can assist victims in enhancing their quality of life by providing educational scholarships and life skills training, like wealth creation and management, parenting and marriage support. The project will also help equip churches and their leaders by providing facilitators, consultants and workshops, to help them minister effectively.

Lott Carey Baptist Foreign Mission Convention is the premier global mission’s agency of African American Baptist heritage. Their international mission is to cultivate ministry, education, and health programs around the world. Since it was founded in 1897, Lott Carey has grown to a network of missional partnerships in more than 20 countries throughout six regions of the world.

Lott Carey continues to accept donations for the evacuees of Hurricanes Katrina and Rita. If you are interested in contributing to the relief fund, you can send a contribution to: Lott Carey Foreign Mission Convention, 220 I Street NE, Suite 220, Washington, D.C. 20002 or you can donate online at www.lottcarey.org. For additional information or to make a donation, please call 202.543.3200.

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