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Status Report on Haiti Activity

The National Baptist Convention, USA, Inc. in partnering with Lott Carey Baptist Foreign Mission Convention; National Baptist Convention of America; National Missionary Baptist Convention of America; and Progressive National Baptist Convention, formed the African American Missionary Baptist Collaboration (AAMBC) in February 2010 in response to the suffering of the victims in the Republic of Haiti following the devastating earthquake in January of 2010. This collaboration gave each of these religious organizations the most effective and efficient means of addressing a dire and serious situation that demanded immediate, yet prudent action.

To date the AAMBC has accomplished the following:

- The AAMBC pledged and paid-in-full \$1 million to Habitat for Humanity International (HFHI) to support housing solutions in Cabaret and Leogane.
 - *NBC USA, Inc has paid \$300 thousand of this \$1 million dollar pledge.*
- Since June 2010, as a result of the partnership between AAMBC and HFHI, 1,630 transitional shelters and 630 VIP latrines have been erected in Cabaret.
- In December 2010, the AAMBC provided HFHI with \$500,000 to support the Habitat Resource Center in Leogane. Among other things, this support goes towards the permanent home construction for 80 families affected by the January 2010 earthquake.

Additionally, the AAMBC has set a tentative date in March to facilitate a Summit on Advocacy for Haiti. In addition to delegates appointed by members of the AAMBC, the African Methodist Episcopal Church, the African Methodist Episcopal Zion Church, and the Christian Methodist Episcopal Church have committed to join the Summit with delegates.

For more information, please refer to the National Baptist Convention, USA, Inc. website at www.nationalbaptist.com.

The National Baptist Convention, USA, Inc. (www.nationalbaptist.com) is the nation's largest African-American religious organization comprising of 7.5 million members worldwide. The National Convention President is Dr. Julius R. Scruggs, Pastor, First Missionary Baptist Church, Huntsville, Alabama.