



**GREATER NEW JERSEY ANNUAL CONFERENCE
DISASTER RELIEF PREPAREDNESS CHECKLIST**

DISASTER PREP TOP TEN

In the event of a disaster...

- 1) How will you contact your membership, particularly if power or phone service is disrupted?**
- 2) How will you help yourself and your congregation prepare or evacuate if a looming hazard threatens your area?**
- 3) How will you secure and back up your church records?**
- 4) How will your church be a “mission station”?**
- 5) How will you partner with neighboring churches?**
- 6) How will you record and tell your story?**
- 7) Do you have adequate insurance for all church facilities, including parsonage, and do you know how to contact your insurance carrier?**
- 8) Clergy, is your personal emergency contact information (including your cell number and your e-mail address) up-to-date with the conference, your district office, and key parishioners?**
- 9) Do you know the list of emergency items and essential supplies to request/collect before and following a storm? (Hint: No clothes!)**
- 10) How are you preparing for the next disaster/storm season?**

When you have answered these questions, you're well on the way to forming your local church disaster response plan!