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Please collect all kits and coordinate delivery with your District Office, by Tuesday, October 1. You may also give financially. Checks can be made to “Holston Conference” with “Dorian Response” on the memo line and mailed to: Holston Conference, PO Box 850, Alcoa, TN 37701.

As *#HurricaneDorian* continues to wreak havoc, UMCOR has already awarded a solidarity grant to Bahamas Methodist Habitat, the Disaster Ministry of the Bahamas Conference of the Methodist Church. This grant provides immediate, emergency short term funding to address the basic human needs of those affected by this catastrophic storm. You can join with UMCOR by donating to our disaster response and recovery funds. Thank you for your continued prayers and support.

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Let us continue to pray for all those within the path of this storm and for those who are willing to serve the needs of others.

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