

Louisiana Church Pays Electricity Bills for 1250 Families

In a generous show of support, a New Orleans, Louisiana, church has paid \$125,000 toward its congregants' electricity bills.

Supporters started the fundraiser to provide for Household of Faith Family Worship Church International members' needs in the most tangible way they knew how, as extended periods of time at home and the drop in temperatures have increased homeowners' bills.

"Our hope is to encourage the community to never give up and when you think there's no help, out of the blue help steps in," First Lady Dale Barriere explained to *The Christian Post*.

The inspiration for this selfless act came directly from God, Barriere says. "Our prayer was how can we help those who are hurting and He said [give] \$100 [checks] towards Entergy bill[s]." Pastor Antoine M. Barriere said they gave generously for one simple fact: "Because God said so."

The church initially raised the first \$50,000 and the energy company Entergy matched their donations. The community of Harvey, Louisiana, in which the church's three campuses are located, donated an additional \$25,000. Ultimately, the "Power Is Present" outreach impacted 1,250 families.

This weekend was AMAZING! Our Power is Present Outreach blessed 1,250 families! Thank U Household!

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The outreach is just one of many ways in which Household of

Faith encourages a spirit of giving to those in need. Like many faith communities during the Christmas season, Household of Faith hosts a shoe drive to provide new shoes for children.

And their food bank provides nonperishables for those who need assistance with groceries.

These efforts are to reflect Household of Faith's mission to build "believers who worship Christ strong in faith, family and finances all to fulfill the Word of God." {eoa}

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