Memo

Date: October 1, 2018

To: Pastors, Deacons, Parish Administrators and Parish Secretaries

From: Wilton D. Gregory, *Archbishop of Atlanta*

Re: Rebuilding Hope Missions

In the August issue of The Georgia Bulletin, you may have noticed an <u>article</u> sharing the Puerto Rico relief efforts of a newly formed ministry in the Archdiocese of Atlanta called <u>Rebuilding Hope Missions</u>. The focus of this new ministry is to help rebuild the Catholic Church and its communities in the wake of natural or man-made disasters. The efforts of this new ministry will initially focus on Puerto Rico that continues to recover from last year's devastating hurricane.

Rebuilding Hope Missions will coordinate mission work trips for parishioners in the Archdiocese of Atlanta and beyond. Their goal is to offer the parish communities the ability to answer the call to be 'missionary disciple,' share God's Love among the poor and suffering, and personally experience the JOY of God in others.

Please make this opportunity known at your parish community.

Representatives from Rebuilding Hope Missions may contact you in the near future and I ask that you allow them the opportunity to visit your community if you deem appropriate. If you would like to contact Rebuilding Hope Missions directly, please contact Randy J. Ortiz at 404-955-0684 or rjortiz1966@gmail.com. You may also visit their website to learn more or book your mission trip to help the Catholic Church and the poor in Puerto Rico.

Thank you and God bless.