



Dear Faith-Based Leader:

On behalf of ReadyAlabama, Alabama's emergency preparedness campaign, we would like to invite your house of worship to participate in the **ReadySunday initiative** on **September 27-29, 2019**, the last weekend of National Preparedness Month.

*ReadySunday* is a collaborative effort geared to encourage Alabama's faith and community-based organizations and their families to take simple steps to prepare for emergencies in their homes, businesses, schools, and houses of worship.

When you participate in *ReadySunday*, ReadyAlabama will do the work for you! ReadyAlabama offers a free program with resources customized to your organization's needs.

- **Register your house of worship** as a *ReadySunday* participant at [www.ServeAlabama.gov](http://www.ServeAlabama.gov) and receive downloadable resources.
- **Promote ReadySunday** with ReadyAlabama's pre-written information for your newsletter, website, e-blasts, bulletin board, and other communication vehicles.
- **Offer** free family emergency plans and more.
- **Follow ReadyAlabama** on Facebook, Twitter, and Instagram for additional preparedness information.
- **Become connected with Voluntary Organizations Active in Disaster (VOAD)** in your community.

Organizations like yours play an integral role in our community during disasters. Not only will your congregation turn to their faith in times of crisis, but community members will seek out your organization for comfort and support. With the collaboration of faith and community-based groups and government agencies, we can work together to educate and empower our communities to prepare before disasters strike. Contact our agency to learn more about VOAD or email [info@alvoid.org](mailto:info@alvoid.org).

We know that the next emergency is coming, but we just don't know when or what kind it will be. We can prepare now for the next emergency. Our family, friends, houses of worship, and community depend on it, and *ReadySunday* provides a compelling reminder to get prepared today!

To register and get your *ReadySunday* event started, please visit [www.ServeAlabama.gov](http://www.ServeAlabama.gov) or contact the Governor's Office of Volunteer Services at (334) 242-1549.

We look forward to your participation.