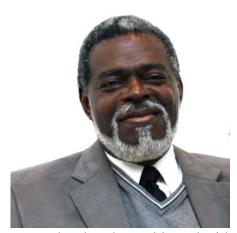
CHURCHES SUPPORTING CHURCHES ADOPT-A-CHURCH PROFILE

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THE HISTORY



Mount Nebo was started as Mount Nebo Baptist Church in September of 1988, and later the name was changed to Mount Nebo Bible Baptist Church. The church held its first service at the Howard Johnson Hotel in Metairie, Louisiana, with approximately 15 members. On Monday nights members assembled at the home of Bro. LeRoyal and Sis. Ethel (Marie) Gray under the guidance of Rev. Charles W. Duplessis, the founder and pastor of the church. Moving several months later, the church began to share a building with Congregational Baptist Church, located in the Lower Ninth Ward. After worshiping there for about two

years, the church was blessed with the opportunity to purchase property at 1720 Flood Street. The congregation and members of the community came together to renovate the church building.

THE VISION

The vision of Mount Nebo is to win souls for Christ and to put our ministries back into action.

CURRENT NEEDS

The church willingly and eagerly served the Lower Ninth Ward community. We had "Family and Friend Weekend," during which we had a musical and seafood/barbeque with games on the church ground. During the summer we organized and hosted Church Vacation. The women's ministry had a yearly retreat, and boys and men had their own yearly retreat. The church was responsible for writing its own Sunday school materials, and we had a storytelling and puppet show literacy program, along with a tutorial program for children. In order to accommodate students with much homework, the Bible study program started an hour early and offered the evening meal during the study. We were an innovative church flourishing until hurricanes Katrina and Rita devastated the edifice. It had to be demolished. Although the pastor and members don't have a sanctuary to fellowship in, we come together for worship at one of the member's homes. We understand that the church is within us and we can praise our God anywhere. These are our current needs:

- 1. The church building needs to be rebuilt.
- 2. Everything that goes inside the building is needed.