

Southern plagues: Drought, flood, fire and now killer storms

BIRMINGHAM, Ala. (AP) — Tornadoes that dropped out of the night sky killed five people in two states and injured at least a dozen more early Wednesday, adding to a seemingly biblical onslaught of drought, flood and fire plaguing the South.

The storms tore through just as firefighters began to get control of wildfires that killed seven and wiped out more than 150 homes and businesses around the resort town of Gatlinburg, Tennessee. In Alabama, the weather system dumped more than 2 inches of rain in areas that had been parched by months of choking drought.

At least 10 confirmed twisters damaged homes, splintered barns and toppled trees in parts of Alabama, Louisiana, Mississippi and Tennessee, the National Weather Service said. Tomb-

stones were even knocked over in the cemetery behind the badly damaged Rosalie Baptist Church, near where three people died in north-eastern Alabama.

"It looks like the rapture happened up there," said church member Steve Hall, referring to the end-times belief of many Christians.

"Are we thinking the Lord is trying to get our attention?" said the pastor, Roger Little.

The National Weather Service was assessing damage from multiple possible tornadoes across the region. At least five hit Alabama, and three more struck southern Tennessee, and one each was confirmed in Louisiana and Mississippi, forecasters said.

A possible tornado was spotted on the ground Wednesday a few miles from Atlanta, and flights were briefly delayed at the city's main airport, but no major



A scorched vehicle sits next to a burned out building in Gatlinburg, Tenn., on Tuesday.

damage occurred.

Three people were killed and one person critically injured in a mobile home after an apparent twister hit tiny Rosalie, about 115 miles northeast of Birmingham, said Jackson County Chief Deputy Rocky Harnen.

A suspected tornado was responsible for the death of a

husband and wife in southern Tennessee's Polk County, while an unknown number of others were injured, said Tennessee Emergency Management Agency spokesman Dean Flener. No details were immediately available.

Shirley Knight, whose family owns a small propane

business in Rosalie, said the storm crashed in on them in the middle of the night. Daybreak revealed mangled sheets of metal, insulation and a ladder hanging in trees.

"We had a plaza, a service station and several buildings connected together, and it's all gone," said Knight, adding that the storm also destroyed a church and damaged buildings at a nearby Christmas tree farm.

The same storm apparently hit a closed day care center in the community of Ider, injuring seven people, including three children who had left their mobile home to seek shelter, said Anthony Clifton, DeKalb County emergency management director.

Alabama Gov. Robert Bentley issued a state of emergency because of the storms.

Meanwhile, thousands of people were without

power, including up to 45,000 homes at one point in Alabama. Many schools dismissed early in Alabama and Georgia to avoid having students on the road in buses as storms continued to roll across the region Wednesday.

Teams from the National Weather Service confirmed that at least two weak tornadoes struck western Alabama, and meteorologist Kurt Weber from Huntsville said they were assessing damage tracks from at least four other possible tornadoes.

Tornadoes and hail also were reported Tuesday in Louisiana and Mississippi. The National Weather Service in Jackson, Mississippi, counted six confirmed tornadoes in areas of the state it monitors.

Authorities said no one was injured in Mississippi, but six homes were reported destroyed in one southeastern county.

SUPPORT GROUPS

THURSDAY, DEC. 1 OPEN SUPPORT GROUP, 10 a.m.-12 p.m., Bowman Building, 17 S.W. Frazer Ave., Pendleton. (541-276-6671 or 541-379-1589) NARCOTICS ANONYMOUS, 10:30 a.m., Episcopal Church of the Redeemer, 241 S.E. Second St., Pendleton.

OPEN AA MEETING, 12 p.m., complex, 680 W. Harper Road, Hermiston. (800-410-5953) OPEN AA MEETING, 12 p.m., Episcopal Church of the Redeemer, 241 S.E. Second St., Pendleton. Coffee is provided. (Ed 541-207-2548)

REBOUNDERS STROKE SUPPORT GROUP, 1:30 p.m., St. Anthony Hospital conference room 3 or 4, 2801 St. Anthony Way, Pendleton. (Shawna 541-969-1865) LOST AND FOUND YOUTH OUTREACH, 3 p.m., Pendleton Recreation Center, 510 S.W. Dorion Ave., Pendleton. Help for youth 12-18 facing challenges. (Danny or Leslie 541-379-4250 or 541-276-3987)

WOMEN WITH DISABILITIES AND DOMESTIC VIOLENCE, 4 p.m., Eastern Oregon Center for Independent Living, 322 S.W. Third St., Pendleton. A safe, secure environment to learn skills and develop tools to move forward after abuse and violence. (Linda Valentine 541-276-1037) HEALTHY CHOICES AA MEETING, 5-6:30 p.m., St. Anthony Hospital conference room 1, 2801 St. Anthony Way, Pendleton. (541-207-2548)

WOMEN FOR SOBRIETY SUPPORT GROUP, 5:30-7 p.m., First Christian Church, 516 S. Main St., Milton-Freewater. New members welcome. (Kimberlie Krieg 541-861-3283) TOPS, 6 p.m., Peace Lutheran Church, 210 N.W. Ninth St., Pendleton. 6 p.m. weigh-in, 6:30-7:30 p.m. meeting. (Heather Endersby 541-969-6997)

CELEBRATE RECOVERY, 6-9 p.m., First Assembly of God Church, 1911 S.E. Court Ave., Pendleton. 6-7 p.m. large group, 6-8 p.m. Celebration Place (children K-5), 7-8 p.m. open share group, 8-9 p.m. Solid Rock Cafe social time (all ages). Christ-centered 12-step program for those with hurts, habits and hangups. Childcare is available for children ages 1-5. (541-276-6417) DOMESTIC VIOLENCE/SEXUAL ASSAULT WOMEN'S SUPPORT GROUP, 6-7:30 p.m., call for location, call for location, Hermiston. Sponsored by Domestic Violence Services. (541-567-0424) DOMESTIC VIOLENCE/SEXUAL ASSAULT WOMEN'S SUPPORT GROUP, 6-7:30 p.m., call for location, call for location, Pendleton. Sponsored by Domestic Violence Services. (541-276-3322) SMART RECOVERY SELF MANAGEMENT AND RECOVERY TRAINING, 6-7 p.m., Hermiston Conference Center, 415 S. Highway 395, Hermiston. Learn tools for addiction recovery based on the latest scientific research. Free, but donations accepted.

NARCOTICS ANONYMOUS, 6:30 p.m., Helping Hand, 346 S.E. Second St., Pendleton.

ADDICTION RECOVERY PROGRAM, 7 p.m., Seventh-day Adventist Church seminary building, 800 S. First St., Hermiston. Everyone is welcome. (Kim Puzey 541-567-3622) WALK AND ROLL SUPPORT GROUP, 7 p.m., Buttercreek Apartments No. 33, 405 S.W. 11th St., Hermiston. For anyone who is disabled or in a wheelchair and has issues with access or rights, or caregivers of handicapped people. (Nana Carpenter 541-303-3359) OPEN AA MEETING, 7:30 p.m., First United Methodist Church, 191 E. Gladys Ave., Hermiston.

HEPPNER MIRACLES OPEN AA MEETING, 7:30 p.m., All Saints Episcopal Church parish hall, 140 W. Church St., Heppner. (800-410-5953) NARCOTICS ANONYMOUS, 7:30-9 p.m., First United Methodist Church, 191 E. Gladys Ave., Hermiston.

NARCOTICS ANONYMOUS, 7:30 p.m., Wesley United Methodist Church, 816 S. Main St., Milton-Freewater.

OPEN AA MEETING, 8 p.m., complex, 680 W. Harper Road, Hermiston. (800-410-5953) OPEN AA MEETING, 8 p.m., United Church of Christ, 114 S. East St., Condon. (800-410-5953) FRIDAY, DEC. 2 NARCOTICS ANONYMOUS, 10:30 a.m., Episcopal Church of the Redeemer, 241 S.E. Second St., Pendleton.

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AL-ANON, 5:30-7 p.m., St. John's Episcopal Church, 665 E. Gladys Ave., Hermiston. Book study 5:30-6 p.m., meeting 6-7 p.m.

NARCOTICS ANONYMOUS, 6:30 p.m., Episcopal Church of the Redeemer, 241 S.E. Second St., Pendleton.

OPEN AA MEETING, 6:30 p.m., Echo Community Methodist Church, 21 N. Bonanza St., Echo. (541-571-6257 or 800-410-5953)

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Entertainment Tonight The Insider C. Brown C mas Charlie Brown & his Peanut pal, Linus, search for the true meaning of Christmas. A Charlie Brown Christmas

Forever Painless With Miranda Esmonde-White (N) Oregon Revealed Oregon Revealed 2 "An Oregon Field Guide Special 2"

The First 48 "Bad Love" The First 48 "Bad Tempered" The Bully The First 48 "Deadly Premonition" (N) Nightwatch "New Beginnings" (SP) (N) Gangland Under. :45 The First 48 :05 The First 48 "Knock Knock"

*** Monster-in-Law Jennifer Lopez. *** Back to the Future A teenager roars back through time to 1955, where he meets his parents at a young age. *** Back to the Future II Two time travelers go back from 2015 to 1955 to stop a man from altering the future.

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NCAA Basketball Mississippi Valley State University at Gonzaga (L) Champions Tennis Legends PowerShares Series - Newport, R.I. AMA Supercross -- Indianapolis, Ind.

Saving Private Ryan *** The Shawshank Redemption ('94, Dra) Morgan Freeman, Tim Robbins. A banker is wrongly convicted of a double murder & is sent to prison for life. Private ... banker is wrongly convicted of a double murder and is sent to prison for life.

*** Jurassic Park III ('01, Sci-Fi) Sam Neill. *** Galaxy Quest ('99, Com) Tim Allen. *** Final Destination 3 *** Neighbors ("14, Com) Seth Rogen. *** Sex Tape ("14, Com) Cameron Diaz. *** Sex Tape ("14, Com) Cameron Diaz.

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