



**FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:**

**Daniel Honore (617) 821-6616**

**Mario Augustave (917) 922-5186**

## **Church Officers Dedicate New Truck in the Fight Against Hunger**

Atlantic Union Conference officials joined Northeastern Conference Administrators in dedicating a new truck to be used in the service of Adventist Community Services. The brand new Freightliner truck will serve to enhance food delivery to a network of 58 food pantries in Northeastern Conference churches. “This new vehicle doubles our delivery capacity from 6 pallets to 12.” states ACS director Mario Augustave. “Furthermore it is equipped with an automatic lift gate making loading and unloading much easier for our volunteers.” He continues. A side door also makes deliveries more feasible to churches located on narrower streets.

The \$96,000 acquisition was made feasible thanks in part to a \$40,000 grant from the Atlantic Union Conference for this purpose. NEC President Daniel Honore was joined by his fellow officers in expressing gratitude to Atlantic Union President G. Earl Knight and Union ACS Director Pastor Jose Joseph, both who attended the dedication service. President Knight offered the dedicatory prayer before a gathering of Conference workers and volunteers who gathered for the occasion before proceeding to cut the ceremonial ribbon.

The need for a new truck is the result of increasing food insecurity caused by the COVID pandemic. The Northeastern Conference receives 56 pallets of food per month for distribution in urban neighborhoods. This food comes as result of an agreement between the North American Division ACS and City Harvest in efforts to combat hunger in the northeast region of the country.

Atlantic Union President G. Earl Knight speaks during the ceremony



Union and Conference personnel join volunteers for the dedication



Cutting the Ribbon

