## NOVEMBER SHARING TREE ALTADENA UMC FIRE RECOVERY





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The Eaton Fire swept through much of Altadena in January of this year. Nineteen people died, and more than 9,000 buildings were destroyed. Among the buildings lost was the Altadena UMC. The Altadena church family is living in hope in the aftermath. For a while, the congregation shared the Scott UMC facility in Pasadena, and has now moved into the former San Gabriel UMC building. Altadena, however, has been the church's home community for more than a hundred years, and they plan to rebuild and recover there.

Your gifts to the November Sharing Tree will assist the congregation's recovery effort. Churches in our own North District have been praying for and donating to our brothers and sisters in Altadena, and your gifts add to that support. To date, the land on which the church building was located has been cleared and is ready for the next phase. Rev Andre Wilson, the church's pastor, whose own home in Altadena survived the fire, expressed gratitude for assistance from North District leaders with the many logistical challenges, what he described as "a very intense process."

You can help the Altadena UMC family recover with a powerful sense of hope and faith. The church's chairperson of the Board of Trustees, Antonio Watson, lost his home in the fire, but says confidently, "God will provide." You can help. Thank you.