International Relief Group Provides Aid to Louisiana Flood Victims

Samaritan’s Purse Disaster Relief Crews Arrive Today in West Monroe and Bossier City

BOONE, N.C., March 12, 2016—Staff and relief supplies from the international Christian relief organization Samaritan’s Purse arrived today in West Monroe and Bossier City, Louisiana, to provide much-needed aid to victims of the recent flooding. Many homes there are facing severe flood damage with river levels rising to a height not seen in decades.

The North Carolina-based aid group has set up one of its disaster relief units at White’s Ferry Road Church, located at 3201 N. 7th Street, West Monroe, Louisiana. This will serve as a base of operations for its flood relief efforts. The Samaritan’s Purse disaster relief units are tractor-trailers stocked with heavy-duty tarps, generators and other tools that will be used during cleanup efforts. Samaritan’s Purse staff and volunteer teams will clean mud out of flooded houses and remove waterlogged belongings. They will also tear out damaged drywall, insulation and flooring; and spray chemicals designed to stop mold growth.

“We hope that we are able to help the people in Louisiana salvage as many of their belongings as possible and start the process of getting them back into their homes,” said Franklin Graham, president of Samaritan’s Purse. “Please join me in praying for those who have lost so much because of this terrible flooding.”

A team of chaplains from the Billy Graham Evangelistic Association’s Rapid Response Team has also been deployed to the disaster area. They will be working alongside Samaritan’s Purse to provide emotional and spiritual encouragement to flood victims.

For more information about how you can help or to volunteer with Samaritan’s Purse, go to spvolunteernetwork.org. Donations to help with the flood relief efforts can be made at samaritanspurse.org.

Samaritan’s Purse has helped more than 29,000 families in 35 U.S. states following floods, hurricanes, tornadoes, fires and ice storms. Recently the organization’s U.S. disaster team responded to the massive flooding in Texas, and also provided aid to victims of the deadly tornadoes in Oklahoma and ice storms in Tennessee.

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