

HISTORIC FLOODING IN LOUISIANA

The State of Louisiana is suffering from another historic flooding event. It is reported that over 40,000 homes are affected with \$30 million in damages. Please pray for Louisiana, its residents, its churches, and its leaders.

Texas Baptists Disaster Recovery will be responding to the long term recovery needs of this disaster. Funds will be needed to help rebuild homes. To support recovery efforts, [click here](#) to give on line or mail checks to:

Texas Baptists
Memo: For Texas Baptists Disaster Recovery
7557 Rambler Rd, Suite 1100, Dallas, TX 75231-2310

Have a question? Please contact Marla Bearden at email marla.bearden@texasbaptists.org or call 214-537-7358.

Below are helpful ways in which churches can respond at this time:

Needed! Mud Out/Debris Removal Volunteer Teams

Broadmoor Baptist Church, 9755 Goodwood Blvd, Baton Rouge, LA 70815, is housing volunteers and working in Baton Rouge cleaning out and repairing homes of the elderly and disabled. Email Tracey Hodges at tracey@broadmoorebaptist.com or by phone at 225-927-5454 for work assignments. Housing is available at the church.

Hebron Baptist Church, 24063 LA Highway 16, Denham Springs, LA 70726, is housing volunteers and working in the Denham Springs area cleaning out and repairing homes. Call Jenny Smith, Kim Arnold or Danny Mann to reserve space for your church group. They are also serving as a distribution center. Call to find out needed items.

Eastern Louisiana Baptist Association, located in Walker LA, is working to mobilize church groups to Eastern LA for clean out and repair of homes. Contact Ginger Glascock at 225-664-9309 to schedule your group for housing. This association has 44 churches in the Livingston Parish. Ginger can also let you know what churches are serving as distribution centers.

Louisiana Baptists Disaster Relief is in need of spontaneous volunteer teams, in all affected areas, who can help mud out homes. For work assignments and housing information contact them directly at 877-487-4658.

Beginning in mid-October - First Baptist Church Jennings, 1001 Cary Ave., Jennings, LA 70546, will be housing volunteers to help clean out and repair home in six different communities within 20 minutes of the church. Well over 1000 homes in these areas flooded and will need clean out and repair. Contact Marla Bearden at 214-537-7359 if you are interested in mobilizing a team to this area.

[Click Here](#) to review a training video that assist teams in "how to" for flood recovery on homes.

Gather and Transport Needed Donated Items

- First Baptist Church, Addis, 6781 LA Hwy South in Addis, Louisiana is serving as a drop off location for donated items. Call (225)749-3756 for more information.
- First Baptist Church, Gueydan, 514 Main St., Gueydan, LA 70542-3636 Pastor Troy Duhon (337-384-9888)
- Other Donation Locations can be found at louisianabaptists.org/disasterrelief

Please call before you begin collecting and before you arrive.

The items most needed are:

New underwear and socks for all ages, adult - children

Paper Products, paper towel, paper plates, plastic flatware, cups, toilet paper

Toiletries: Shampoo, body soap, toothpaste, toothbrushes, deodorant

Baby Products: diapers, wipes, formula

Bottled Water and Gatorade

Easy open nonperishable food containers

Gift Cards to Wal-Mart or Target are best so people have the opportunity to purchase new clothes, shoes and other needed items.

Please do not send used clothing or shoes!

Texas Baptists Men are in need of Gatorade and Powerade Sports Drinks for the citizens of Jefferson-Davis and Acadia Parishes, where teams are cleaning out homes, feeding and other services. Church Groups and individuals can deliver the drinks to the Texas Baptist Men Equipping Center, 5351 Catron Dr., Dallas, Texas 75227. Call 214-381-3700 to schedule your drop off time. TBM will transport the drinks to the needed areas. [Click here](#) for information on how TBM is providing Disaster Relief in Jennings, LA.

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