

# Wesleyans Mobilize to Provide Hurricane Harvey Relief and Recovery

*The Wesleyan Church and World Hope International are joining together to assist victims of Hurricane Harvey. Learn how you can help.*

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What “Wesleyans are mobilizing spiritually and physically to provide relief, as well as long-term recovery, for Hurricane Harvey victims,” said General Superintendent Wayne Schmidt.

“Thank you for being a people of prayer and action. God will be glorified through both.”

The Wesleyan Church, World Hope International and Poured Out began mobilizing last week to provide support to Hurricane Harvey victims impacted by catastrophic flooding in southeastern Texas.

Two Mountains Plains District churches immediately began providing relief to Texas communities reported District Superintendent Billy Wilson.

The Lone Star Cowboy Church in Mexia, led by Shane Winters, focused on serving Rockport. Disaster relief supplies included diapers, personal hygiene supplies, water, nonperishable foods, tire repair kits, flashlights. Church staff can be reached at (254-472-9092) or Facebook page.

Crossroads Church in San Antonio, led by pastors Bob and Arlynn Ellis, has been delivering relief supplies to evacuees housed in the city’s shelters. Information is available at [www.facebook.com/crossroadschurchsa](http://www.facebook.com/crossroadschurchsa) or by emailing [crossroadschurchsa@yahoo.com](mailto:crossroadschurchsa@yahoo.com). World Hope International, partnering with Poured Out, is organizing to provide recovery services. Financial help is requested to:

- Purchase emergency supplies and equipment for the recovery phase

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- Establish a base of operations for support
- Provide blankets, mobile water treatment facilities, mobile wash stations and other emergency supplies

“We are working in the recovery phase with local communities and Wesleyan churches to provide relief,” said John Lyon, World Hope president. “We will welcome volunteers when the time is appropriate.”

“The Wesleyan Church is once again standing in the gap to serve those in crisis,” Wilson said. “Prayer is always needed as we seek to serve as we are able. This is an opportunity for our denomination to be the hands and feet of Christ. May God bless our service.”

“Every morning, I pray for The Wesleyan Church, that we will have a transforming presence in every ZIP code,” Schmidt said. “Thank you for being a people of God who bring hope and peace to your local communities, but also to communities throughout the world in times of crisis, like those most recently in Freetown, Sierre Leone, Charlottesville, Virginia, and the Gulf Coast of Texas.

“We are united in prayer and common purpose,” said Schmidt. “I urge you to continue to pray for crisis victims and for those who serve them.”

## September 3, 2017

### FOCUS Wesleyan Church

“Encouragement for the Journey of Faith”

Joshua 6 “*Victory at Jericho*”

#### Sermon Notes:

*Hebrews 11:30*

*Joshua 6:1-27*

## 1. The \_\_\_\_\_ for Victory (v. 1-7)

*Proverbs 14:12*

*Isaiah 55:8*

*2 Corinthians 2:14*

*2 Corinthians 10:3-4*

## 2. The \_\_\_\_\_ of Victory (v. 8-21)

*Luke 16:10*

*Exodus 14:14*

*Psalms 46:10-11*

## 3. The \_\_\_\_\_ to Victory (v. 22-27)

*1 Kings 16:34*

**Reflection:** What is one new thing you believe God spoke to you today as a result of worshipping at FOCUS? The Word of God directs us as we consider what the **next step** is for our lives. What is your next step?

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**Challenge:** This week I will pray for following need and/or people within our nation:

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## ***Communion at FOCUS***

Every Sunday at FOCUS we celebrate the Lord's Table, also known as Communion. We have open communion which means all are invited to receive. We receive communion elements by intinction. Tearing off a small piece of the loaf of bread, dipping it in the communion glass of juice, and then consuming it immediately. Please note, upon your request, we also have gluten free elements for those with gluten and other major food allergies.

## ***FOCUS Board Meeting - Monday, Sept. 11, 2017***

This coming month's Board Meeting has been rescheduled for Monday, September 11, 6:30 PM.

## ***Youth Group Tonight 6:30 - 8 PM!***

Friends welcome, snacks provided!

## ***FOCUS Family Fun Friday - September 15, 7:00 PM***

FOCUS will be having a family movie night out on the lawn of the North side of the church building. Popcorn and water provided! Consider inviting some families and friends for a fun evening together!

## **Our Beliefs**

Wesleyans believe in one God, who is Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, and the Savior of all who put their faith in Him alone for eternal life.

We believe that those who are made new in Christ are called to be holy in character and conduct, and can only live this way by being filled with the Lord's Spirit.

We believe in the Bible and its sufficiency to establish our faith and conduct.

We believe God wills for people everywhere to know Him and be made new in Christ.

We believe that the purpose of the Church is to worship God in spirit and in truth, and to reach a lost and fallen world with the gospel of Jesus Christ through its worship, witness, and loving deeds.

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