

How Can You Help?

9-11-17 UPDATE:

Most of the areas that have volunteers working have asked for additional cleaning supplies (bleach, gloves, etc.) In some areas the mud has been cleaned and now they are working on mold. If you know people who are going to the Hurricane Harvey affected areas, bleach and cleaning supplies are an urgent need!

Texas Baptists has posted 9 New Yellow Cap Training Sessions in September!

Many of you have asked about emergency yellow cap training for this disaster. TBM has posted to their training schedule 9 new trainings in September scattered around the state. And two regular yellow cap trainings as well as a blue cap scheduled in October.

Go to www.texasbaptistmen.org/ and **choose Disaster Relief** and **then choose training calendar**, **then click on a training location to register**. **Share YCO** information with church leadership, **share** with fellow church members and get them to **carpool together on 9/16 to Portland, McKinney, Diana, Plainview; on 9/22 to Terrell; on 9/29 to Canyon Lake; on 9/30 to Temple, Fort Worth. Your newly certified badge should be mailed to you in 2-4 weeks.**

Malcolm Ward
TBM Shower/Laundry Coordinator

South Spring Baptist Church

Most people don't know where to go or how to begin helping clean up after a storm like Hurricane Harvey. I have just returned from the flood area and secured relationships with Turning Point Church of Vidor. Before the hurricane Pastor George Gau received the City of Vidor's Citizen of the Year Award for his effort in the community and humanitarian aid work. The community is looking to him for leadership. Let's use this platform for God's glory by partnering with the church he shepherds.

They have a secure and safe venue for overnight sleeping (gender segregated) and they provide meals for volunteers. Also, they will direct teams to specific sites for cleanup. The most difficult aspect of this is probably getting work teams of 4-5 people to synchronize their schedule for 1, 2 or 3 days.

Can you put together a work team. Whether it is a weekend or week day this church will house people.

Basic cleaning supplies like gloves and mask and hammers to pull sheetrock would be helpful.

My cell is 903-617-9200 or LSturrock@SouthSpring.org

Green Acres Baptist

Urgent Need

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OCTOBER 6-7, 2017
Flint Baptist Church, 11131 FM 2868 W
Flint, Texas 75762

6th - Phase 2

Advanced training in the selected ministry area. Attention will be given to Team Leader responsibilities:
Team member care/Disaster Relief reporting

7th - Phase 1 & Intro to DR

Introduction to Southern Baptists of Texas Disaster Relief, Basic Manual in selected ministry area (cleanup/recovery, feeding, assessment, shower/ laundry, chaplaincy, childcare, or communications), hands on Training in selected ministry area.

ON-Line registration

<http://sbtexas.com/evangelism/disaster-relief/training-schedule/>

or Contact Ralph Britt at 903-570-1114

Cost - \$25.00 for new volunteers; \$10.00 for re certifying volunteers

Disaster Relief Information

**To volunteer to be trained as an
SBTC Disaster Relief Volunteer, YOU MUST :**

1. Be an active member of a Southern Baptist church.
2. Have a letter of recommendation from the Pastor on church letterhead for the individual(s) from that church.
3. Be at least 18 years old.
4. Be in good health.
5. Have a servant heart.

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Noonday Baptist

This Saturday morning from 8 to 12 Noonday Baptist (next door to the Blue Store) will be collecting items to take for Hurricane Harvey relief to Orange TX.. If you are able to help we are collecting: canned or boxed foods that do not need to be cooked, snacks, water, juice for kids, paper towels, paper plates, trash bags, tooth paste, tooth brush, bleach, and general school supplies. Will be taking it to Orange on Monday.

Colonial Hills Baptist

The CHBC donation and distribution center will close today at 5:30pm. We are consolidating relief efforts to Cornerstone Ministries.

9-6-17 UPDATE:

Green Acres Baptist Church

The most current need is team leaders. Though things still haven't settled down enough to know when or where, we know people want to go do what they can and/or send supplies. We need team leaders who can guide small groups in work projects throughout the affected cities. Please contact [Andria Horton](#) if you are willing to lead a team. Strong construction background not necessary, but a general comfortableness around building sites is recommended.

We have been requested at FBC Pearland. We are hoping to deploy this weekend. We are in need of additional volunteers to man the trailer.

All Yellow Cap trained volunteers are requested for this next week!

Training

There are two opportunities to receive Yellow Cap Training. [Click here](#) to register. Please register as soon as possible, as you cannot serve until your background check processes-2-3 days.

SATURDAY, Sept. 16-Yellow cap training in Diana, TX. You can attend the training and be ready to serve on Thurs. Sept. 21. There will be a team going to Diana next Sat. the 16th for yellow cap training. It is \$40 and you can sign up here: <http://texasbaptistmen.org/Ministries/Disaster-Relief/DR-Training-Calendar>. Trained people are desperately needed.

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9-5-17 UPDATE:

Lake Tyler Baptist Church

Lake Tyler Baptist Church 4Him Ministries is set up today at KETK in Tyler accepting donations for BUCKETS & BINS FOR ROCKPORT!!

Items needed:

Water

Non-perishable food items

Toothpaste

Toothbrushes

Shampoo

Conditioner

Soap

Razors

Combs

Brushes

Lotion

Deodorant

Feminine products

Diapers

Wipes

Baby formula

Toilet paper

Paper towels

Plastic Bins (w/lids)

5 gallon BUCKETS

Shoebox size plastic containers

Paper bags

Plastic bags

NO CLOTHING AT THIS TIME PLEASE!!

NO SHOES AT THIS TIME EITHER!!

We will be set up out here today until 7PM or until our trailer is full!!

Green Acres Baptist Church

1) Cornerstone will be collecting, Socks and Underwear (new, all sizes), Bottled Water, Diapers, Toiletries, Canned food, New blankets and Used Men's and Children's Clothing. Please take these items to Cornerstone at 200 N. Beckham, Tyler, TX 75702.

In addition, we will have a team leaving on Thursday to help in the Beaumont Area with clean up efforts. Please bring all donations for the team to 12584 CR 168, Flint, TX 75762 by Wed. Sept. 6:

Shovels, Sledgehammers, Crowbars, Saws, Rakes, Brooms
Fans and Dehumidifiers
Utility knives, Rubber gloves, Work gloves, N95 Respirator Masks
Bleach and Sprayers for bleach, Contractor trash bags
Mops/buckets
Wheelbarrow
Large scoop shovels (plastic or Aluminum)
12x12 or similar sized tarps
13-gallon or larger trash bags (please, no "scented" bags)
Non-perishable food, Bottled water
Baby spoons, formula, diapers, wipes, food, diaper cream
Toilet Paper, Soap, Shampoo, Deodorant, Toothpaste, Toothbrushes, Hand sanitizer
Feminine products, Face wipes
Dog and Cat Food, Pet Crates
Bandages, Antiseptic lotion/cream, Peroxide, Alcohol, Tylenol - pain relief
Adult Diapers

2) Teams are currently being coordinated through a variety of churches in the Houston Area. If you would like to lead or join a team of volunteers from our church, please contact [Andria Horton](#). We will ensure that you have contact people on the field with whom to coordinate.

3) Texas Baptist Men will be setting up Volunteer Villages to coordinate disaster relief. You will not have to be formally trained, but you will need to pass a background check. [Click here to follow the developments.](#)

WMU of Texas joins with other organizations across the state and nation to do what we can to help those impacted by the storm. There are immediate needs that must be met. We are asking for VISA or Mastercard gift cards or donations to purchase them. Cards have already been sent to ministry partners who are distributing them to pastors and others who serve those who have lost so much. If you want to participate in this effort, please send cards or donations to WMU of Texas, 10325 Brockwood Road, Dallas, Texas 75238.

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8-31-17 UPDATE

1) Tyler is getting a small Red Cross Shelter. To volunteer, you must complete a Red Cross application and watch a training video. To being the process, [click here](#). You will get an email with further instructions in the next couple of days. This shelter is for families awaiting FEMA temporary housing, so it may be around for a

while.

2) **East Texas Cornerstone**, 200 N. Beckham, will be taking donations of supplies (financial donations go to the Red Cross). They are accepting:

- Socks and Underwear (new, all sizes)
- Bottled Water
- Diapers
- Toiletries
- Canned food
- New blankets

3) **South Springs Baptist** is putting together a water rescue team. This is an overnight trip and you must have a flat-bottom boat and a partner to work with you. This will be a high-intensity job! You can contact Lance Sturrock at LSturrock@SouthSpring.org.

4) Beginning at noon on Wednesday, donations of specific goods will be accepted by **Colonial Hills Baptist Church**. This is limited to children's workbooks, crayons, diapers and non-perishable snacks, toiletries and hygiene products. Clothing is not being accepted. These items will be distributed to evacuees at this location, 7330 S. Broadway Ave. For more information, contact Colonial Hills Baptist Church at (903) 561-9995.

5) **SBTC** sent out the following:

PRAY

- * Pray for those who were affected by Harvey.
- * Pray for the first responders.
- * Pray for the volunteers preparing to respond.

GIVE

In addition to praying, you can give. Included in this eblast are links to tools you can use for communicating with your church the ways to donate to disaster relief work in Texas. Please use these tools in communicating with your congregation this Sunday.

FINANCIAL:

Give Online at sbtexas.com/harvey <<http://sbtexas.us5.list-manage1.com/track/click?u=c71131d565fcd98ca45752ba2&id=a18fb24ca2&e=1134857b80>> OR give via text

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[<https://gallery.mailchimp.com/c71131d565fcd98ca45752ba2/images/4aea9a94-766f-4da2-a602-222fae980327.png>]

BUCKETS:

We are asking churches to begin collecting 5-gallon buckets with lids. Each bucket should contain the following 18 items (this is approx. \$50 value) -

- Terry towels (four pack)
- trash bags (1 roll of 25)
- mold control spray
- Ajax detergent
- cleaner with bleach
- Wonder Bar
- first-aid kit
- duct tape
- scrub brush

- leather palm gloves (three pack)
- utility knife
- Sharpie Permanent marker (two pack)
- 3M Eyeglass protector
- disposable gloves (two pack)
- hygiene kit
- wire ties
- respirator (two pack)
- sponges (three pack).

Regional collection points are coming online daily. We will keep our website updated. Please visit "<http://sbtexas.us5.list-manage.com/track/click?u=c71131d565fcd98ca45752ba2&id=5a65f019f4&e=1134857b80>> Buckets for Harvey" "<http://sbtexas.us5.list-manage.com/track/click?u=c71131d565fcd98ca45752ba2&id=320eb21c73&e=1134857b80>> to find the regional collection point nearest to you. Some distributions will begin as early as Tuesday, Sept. 5.

ADOPT A CHURCH:

We are now receiving requests for churches to engage with and adopt one of our over 700 churches which are impacted by Hurricane Harvey. To adopt-a-church, please go to sbtexas.com/harvey "<http://sbtexas.us5.list-manage2.com/track/click?u=c71131d565fcd98ca45752ba2&id=a60910d77b&e=1134857b80>> and select "Adopt-A-Church". There will be a short form for you to fill out. Then our Pastor/Church Relations Department will contact you.

GO

Our SBTC Disaster Relief Team (DR) is already at work in the areas that were hit by Harvey. To be trained as a volunteer for DR efforts go to sbtexas.com/harvey "<http://sbtexas.us5.list-manage2.com/track/click?u=c71131d565fcd98ca45752ba2&id=d25f833f20&e=1134857b80>>. New training dates will be posted as relief needs are known.

Disaster Relief Training >>"<http://sbtexas.us5.list-manage2.com/track/click?u=c71131d565fcd98ca45752ba2&id=298bb6361d&e=1134857b80>>

Those who are not certified in disaster relief, but would like to be involved can connect with our partner from SEND Relief, a service of NAMB -

SEND Relief Sign Up >>"<http://sbtexas.us5.list-manage1.com/track/click?u=c71131d565fcd98ca45752ba2&id=2c12b8e1c6&e=1134857b80>>

In order to receive any relief help from any of these locations, you must have an armband indicating that you are an evacuee from Hurricane Harvey. These may be obtained at the FEMA Hub location at Faulkner Park Police Sub-Station, Tyler, Texas.

Helpful Links

Texas Baptist Men – <http://texasbaptistmen.org/Ministries/Disaster-Relief>

Southern Baptist of Texas – <http://sbtexas.com/evangelism/disaster-relief/hurricane-harvey-dr-information/>

Smith Baptist Association – <https://www.facebook.com/SmithBaptist/>