

Flooding in Congo

May 2020



Flooding has damaged or destroyed more than 15,000 homes

Last week we sent out an emergency notice to let you know about the dire circumstances our friends are experiencing at Congo for Christ and throughout the city of Uvira and surrounding area. The rain has continued almost nonstop, and is forecast to continue



CCC Children and staff visited an emergency shelter at Mwanga School. One hundred fifty families with 956 people were helped with a gift of maize flour, wash basin and soap.



Living conditions inside the school are very difficult for 150 families who have lost their homes and belongings.

for the coming weeks. According to Catholic Charities, nearly 100,000 people have been impacted, more than 15,000 homes damaged or destroyed, and 52 confirmed deaths. Many are still missing and the threat of cholera, malaria, and other illnesses is greatly increased. In addition to the flooding, corona virus has caused borders with neighboring countries to close, food prices to escalate and charcoal and wood for cooking fuel difficult and expensive to obtain.

We were able to send \$2,200 emergency funds last week to help purchase food, but as you can see, additional help is still greatly needed. As previously reported, structures at Congo for Christ (CCC) are in danger of flood damage. Pastor Jeremiah had an engineer provide an estimate of modifications required to protect the property. The total cost for the needed repairs is \$42,855.

A special thank you to all who have already generously responded to this crisis. We will be sending more relief funds in the next few days as we stand with our friends in this time of great need. Please continue to hold them in your prayers as they face these challenging times.

Crisis in India

Reverend Thomas of Feed My People recently reported that their nation of India has been under lockdown since March 24th. This has caused immense hardship for many impoverished people. Since the churches are unable to meet, the pastors are not receiving income to supplement the support we provide. Church members who rely on day labor are also unable to work and have no income. We have remained in close contact with



Pastor Paul and his wife distribute food to church members in Regulagunta village. At each home they give two eggs, rice, and vegetables and have prayer with the families.

Pastor Thomas to monitor their situation and have learned conditions there continue to worsen. On April 21st we received email from Pastor Thomas informing us **"our pastors are nearly starving."** We immediately sent \$1,000 for them to purchase rice and vegetables which have now been distributed. Pastor Thomas informed us that the \$1,000

Rice and vegetables for our friends in need



was only a partial payment on the large quantity of food they purchased. The supplier granted them credit so the food could quickly reach those in greatest need. It is urgent that we send more support to pay this outstanding debt and ensure that ongoing food needs are met.



Life giving food provided by Global Outreach partners!

In Loving Memory of Donna Wells Morris
All donations will be given to Horizon of Hope Village, Manila, Philippines

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 Janet Biggers***



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