Trinity Conference has DRT Reps in every Area of the Conference:



TEXAS
- Brazos
- Coastal
- Lakes
- Piney Woods
- Red River
- Sabine
- Sam Houston

LOUISIANA
- Bayou (North)
- Pelican (South)

ARKANSAS
- East
- West

HOW TO GET STARTED:

We can connect you with the DRT representative in your Area, who can provide:

1. More information about local disaster best-practices throughout the GMC,
2. A face-to-face, zoom, conference, or telephone meeting for you/your church, and/or
3. Guidance commensurate with you/your church's interest level in disaster ministries.

Even if you aren't sure what it will look like for you or your church to become active in disaster response, please contact us with your questions. You'll never know if you don't ask.

Reach out to us at disaster@trinitygmc.org or scan the QR code to complete this survey:

Helping our neighbors as He leads us.

E's OF TRINITY CONFERENCE DISASTER RESPONSE MINISTRY

Empowering
We empower your church to share the love of Christ through disaster response.

Equipping
We equip your church with resources; before, during, and after a disaster. This may include guidance, ways to obtain training, program administration tools, and possibly even physical equipment or specific non-recurrent funding.

Educating
We educate your church on how to identify and access sustainable resources within and around your community. We also educate your church on the best way to coordinate and utilize those resources.

Encouraging
We exist alongside your church to encourage your efforts to include Christ in your disaster response ministry.



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A disaster is defined as *an unexpected and sudden event which creates widespread destruction, death, and/or injury that overwhelms local emergency services and requires outside support.*

WHAT SETS US APART?

So much of disaster relief is humanitarian aid that can be done by anyone, but as the church, **we have a responsibility to share that our love of Jesus is what compels us to respond.** This doesn't mean we force people to hear a gospel presentation before receiving our help, but that we talk about Jesus while we're responding simply because we love Him so much and can't help but share!

If you need help doing this, the Trinity Conference Disaster Response Team can teach you how.

GETTING RESULTS BY BRIDGING THE GAPS

The following is from a client who was able to receive assistance from the Trinity Conference after her home was severely damaged by Hurricane Beryl...

> *"As I went through my day today, I didn't get discouraged. I said 'God has a plan!' I'm soooooo grateful! I can't thank you enough!"*



We carry God's light to the world in the darkest of times

Disasters can be a result of natural occurrences or man-made events. Either way, disasters are usually quite devastating and often cause an overwhelming sense of helplessness and hopelessness; especially within the communities impacted.

Disaster response often starts in your own community, but can be shared as far, and wide, as the Lord leads.

The Trinity Conference encourages all local churches to be prepared to respond to disasters within their communities by offering physical and financial assistance, spiritual hope, healing and love to those whose lives have been darkened by a disaster.

In alignment with the GMC mission of making disciples of Jesus Christ and spreading scriptural holiness across the globe, we invite and encourage you to follow the prompting of the Holy Spirit to share the good news of Christ through disaster response activities.



What we DO...

EDUCATE	Provide access to educational trainings which can be curated to fit your needs
ENCOURAGE	Encourage practice of any activities that you/your church can sustain
SUPPORT	Support you/your church as you develop your own DR ministry
GUIDE	Provide knowledgeable disaster mentors to guide you as you move forward
EMPOWER	Empower you/your church to follow your heart and do what you are led to do.
RESOURCE	Provide resources and tools for you/your church
RESEARCH	Provide access to a research database of hazards, capacities, and resources
NETWORK	Network you/your church with Disaster Response partners in your community
CONNECT	Connect you/your church with partners and churches to aid your development
SHARE JESUS	Urge you to deliver the light of Jesus into the darkness of disaster response

What we DON'T do...

DEPLOY	The Trinity DRT does not have deployable personnel — our churches may
MANAGE	The Trinity DRT does not manage disaster response operations
TAKE OVER	The Trinity DRT will not show up on your church's doorstep
JUDGE	The Trinity DRT will not judge whether or how you/your church decides to respond
RESPOND DIRECTLY	The Trinity DRT does not have its own infrastructure for direct disaster response
TRANSPORT	The Trinity DRT will not supply any form of mass transportation
SHELTER	The Trinity DRT will not facilitate any mass housing or shelter
FEED	The Trinity DRT will not prepare or deliver any mass feeding
PROVIDE DR EQUIPMENT	The Trinty DRT does not own, nor will it provide, any DR equipment
DISCOURAGE	The Trinity DRT will not discourage any church from activating for disasters