

# Tryon Evergreen Baptist Association

## HELP FOR HAITI

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### To First Baptist Church,

You are aware of the tragedy that struck Haiti this week in relation to the recent earthquake.

Below you will find a compilation of the responses from our SBC and State Convention entities as well as other useful links.

If your church is planning any kind of direct response to the region we would ask you to let us know so we can partner interested sister churches together.

Also, if your church would have an interest in being part of a mission trip to that area in the coming months, we would appreciate your sharing that with us as well so we can assess the viability of putting together such a venture.

Thank you for your missional mindedness and heart for helping the hurting.

In Kingdom Service,  
Roger Yancey

### INTERNATIONAL MISSION BOARD

IMB



Southern Baptists are mobilizing to assess disaster relief needs after the largest earthquake in more than 200 years rocked Haiti the evening of January 12. Initial funding for the relief effort will be provided by the IMB's disaster relief fund. You can contribute to the relief effort at [gobgr.org](http://gobgr.org).

### NORTH AMERICAN MISSION BOARD

NAMB



Southern Baptists are gearing up to respond to Haiti. Donations may be made by calling (866)407-6262 or go to [www.namb.net](http://www.namb.net).

### BAPTIST GENERAL CONVENTION OF TEXAS

BGCT



Currently Texas Baptists Disaster Response is accepting donations to assist relief efforts of clean water projects, providing needed medical equipment and support to those affected by this disaster.

To make a donation please go to [www.texasbaptists.org](http://www.texasbaptists.org) and click on "Give Online" find Disaster Response and click "Give Now" or mail your check to BGCT, 333 N. Washington, Dallas, Texas 75246 for Disaster Response.

Although we don't anticipate sending volunteer groups for a few weeks, if you or your church would like to be on a list of volunteers to assist please go to [www.texasbaptists.org/church2church](http://www.texasbaptists.org/church2church) and click on "Meet a Need" under Disaster Related Needs. Submit your information. This will capture your contact information for organizers as we move forward to assist in this tragedy.

We will publish further relief efforts as they are finalized on the Texas Baptist Disaster Response Church2Church website at [www.texasbaptists.org/church2church](http://www.texasbaptists.org/church2church) and on the BGCT Disaster Response Page.

#### SOUTHERN BAPTISTS OF TEXAS CONVENTION

SBTC



Southern Baptists of Texas Disaster Relief volunteers are ready willing and able to serve. We have offered our assistance to the North American Mission Board and Baptist Global Response in whatever way we are needed.

Volunteers need to be preparing by getting your passports in order and making sure your shots are up to date.

Churches desiring to make a donation to the Disaster Relief response in Haiti through the Southern Baptists of Texas Convention can do so by making a donation designated to "Disaster Relief Haiti".

[www.sbtexas.com](http://www.sbtexas.com)

#### BAPTIST GLOBAL RESPONSE

BGR

The initial Southern Baptist disaster relief effort will be led by Florida Baptists, who have had ministry relationships in Haiti for more than 20 years and currently have six staff members who live and work in the country, said Jim Brown, U.S. director for Baptist Global Response. The Southern Baptist International Mission Board does not have long-term personnel stationed in the country. Baptist Global Response offers several financial giving opportunities. Please prayerfully consider how you would like to support those in need and how BGR can effectively and efficiently utilize your gift.

[www.baptistglobalresponse.com](http://www.baptistglobalresponse.com)

If you are not able to donate online, you may send your gift to: Baptist Global Response, 402 BNA Drive, Suite 411, Nashville, TN 37217.

#### TEXAS BAPTIST MEN

TBM

At this point, a major concern for the area is clean water. Texas Baptist Men is beginning preparations for clean water to be delivered to those affected. If you would like to donate to help support this endeavor, please contact Jeanette Nichols at 214-828-5351 or you may donate online by going to the donations tab on the front page of our website. You may also mail your check to Texas Baptist Men at 5351 Catron Drive, Dallas, Texas 75227.

Another immediate need is for medical equipment such as portable X-ray machines. Donations of this equipment should be directed to Dick Talley, State Disaster Relief Director, at the address shown above or call him at 214-707-4780.

[www.texasbaptistmen.org](http://www.texasbaptistmen.org)

#### AMERICAN RED CROSS

ARC

Send a \$10 Donation by Texting 'Haiti' to 90999

You can make a donation by calling 1-800-REDCROSS or 1-800-257-7575 (Spanish) or click on the Donate Now button. The American Red Cross is sending money, supplies and staff to Haiti to support relief efforts there after yesterday's earthquake, which caused catastrophic damage and loss of life.

[www.american.redcross.org](http://www.american.redcross.org)

CIDI encourages Americans to respond appropriately and responsibly to today's earthquake in Haiti. Those who wish to best help the victims in Haiti are asked to donate cash as an alternative to in-kind donations such as clothing and canned goods. Cash donations are widely recognized as the most efficient and effective means of relief, a policy support by CIDI's funding partner, the United States Agency for International Development's Office of Foreign Disaster Assistance, and those in established international disaster response community.

[www.cidi.org](http://www.cidi.org)

#### U.S. DEPARTMENT OF STATE

The State Department Operations Center has set up the following number for Americans seeking information about family members in Haiti: 1-888-407-4747 (due to heavy volume, some callers may receive a recording).

[www.state.gov](http://www.state.gov)

#### COMPASSION

You can provide immediate relief today

(800) 336-7676

[www.compassion.com](http://www.compassion.com)

#### WORLD VISION

World Vision will send out 18 metric tons of relief supplies for immediate distribution to quake survivors. Meanwhile, the humanitarian situation in Port-au-Prince remains dire, and additional donations are urgently needed.

[www.worldvision.org](http://www.worldvision.org)

#### MISSION OF MERCY

Mission of Mercy is responding to this disaster. Please join with us by making a donation to the Haiti Earthquake Relief Effort. Funds will go to purchase tents, food, water, and medical supplies to assist in relief efforts in Port Au Prince.

[www.missionofmercy.org](http://www.missionofmercy.org)

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