



Friend of Eight Days of Hope,

What an amazing year 2022 has been! It is our hope that as you take a look at all the wonderful ways God moved this past year, you can see the impact that your giving and support of Eight Days of Hope has made.

Through the help of 5,278 volunteers, 229,350 hours of service equaling \$9.9 million worth of labor were donated. Most importantly, 1,011 families experienced the hope of Jesus! It's because of your willingness to pray, volunteer, and donate that this was possible! Thank you.

As we look back at 2022, it's evident that God continued to use our Rapid Response and Rebuilding Ministries to provide comfort for victims of natural disasters across the country. It had been three years since a rebuilding trip. How exciting it was to serve together at EDOH XVIII and EDOH XVIII and to know that families are finally home because of the work God allowed us to accomplish!

Our Safe House Ministry served three wonderful partners, providing over 20 safe spaces for emotional, physical, and spiritual healing in addition to office space and a beautiful counseling and care center. We know that God is going to use this ministry in mighty ways in 2023 as we prepare to

build a state-of-the-art campus for children rescued from human trafficking in Central Ohio.

Throughout the past year, we have been working fervently to launch the Mass Feeding Ministry, and as the final pieces of equipment arrive, we are thrilled to be ready to serve starting in January 2023.

2022 revealed the magnitude of God's mission for Eight Days of Hope. What a joyous journey it is to see where He takes this ministry! We are so thankful for your continued support, and we hope you rejoice in all that God has done and continues to do!

Blessings,

Stephen Tybor III, President - CEO







Rapid Response Mayfield, KY 12/14/2021 - 01/02/2022 LaPlace, LA 04/09/2022 - 04/16/2022 **Safe House** Jackson, TN 05/14/2022 - 05/28/2022 Buffalo, NY 07/16/2022 - 07/23/2022 **Safe House** Chattanooga, TN 08/06/2022 - 08/31/2022 **Rapid Response** Bear Branch, KY 08/06/2022 - 08/27/2022 **Safe House** Kerr County, TX 10/01/2022 - 10/14/2022 Rapid Response Sarasota, FL 10/05/2022 - 10/29/2022 **Rapid Response** Ft. Myers, FL 10/31/2022 - 11/12/2022 Lake Charles, LA 12/03/2022 - 12/10/2022



MAP OF HOPE







HOPE RESTORED

As we kayaked into our home for the first time 10 days post Hurricane lan we were shocked at the devastation. It felt like the word catastrophic took on a whole new meaning. We cried and we prayed. We resolved we would praise Him in this storm. As we were driving home from the shock of it all, we received a call from Eight Days of Hope that someone at the church had some items for us. Little did we know that when we got to the church there would be a trailer of precious gifts there for us.

Tears of sorrow were met with tears of joy as the amazing volunteers unwrapped our new refrigerator, washer, microwave and opened boxes of clothes for my kids to go through. Thank you just doesn't seem like enough when what seemed like your greatest day of sorrow is met with one of our greatest days of love. Only Jesus can bring such hope on a day of devastation. He is worthy and may He get the glory in it all!

All our love and forever grateful, The Emmert Family

P.S. My daughter lost one of her favorite blankets in the flood in our home. It was pink, fluffy, full of unicorns and glowed in the dark. And guess what... that exact blanket was in one of the boxes of gifts.

God's. Just. That. Good.



1,011 FAMILIES SERVED



5,278 VOLUNTEERS



229,350
VOLUNTEER HOURS DONATED



\$9.9 million of work donated

022 IMPACT



THE DISASTER

Hurricane Ida struck Louisiana on August 26, 2021, exactly 16 years after Hurricane Katrina – the storm that launched Eight Days of Hope. With windspeeds over 149 mph, Hurricane Ida was the second-most damaging and intense hurricane to make landfall in Louisiana on record, following behind Hurricane Katrina. Ida left more than 1 million people without power and caused an estimated \$75 billion in damages. Many of these damages were to those who were uninsured and underinsured, leaving thousands without hope.

THE PLAN

Eight Days of Hope traveled back to LaPlace, LA, in partnership with St John Parish Long-Term Recovery Group, Marathon Petroleum Corporation, and New Wine Christian Fellowship Church. Our goal was to use the gifts that God has given us to bless others and share the love of Jesus by rebuilding hundreds of homes over eight days.

THE WORK

Many families were waiting for assistance in the rebuilding process, looking everywhere for help, for hope. That is exactly what Eight Days of Hope brought! Through 1,200 volunteers from across the country, we loved and served 132 families with 355 home repair projects, including an Eight Days of Hope record of 38 full roof replacements!

















132
FAMILIES SERVED



1,252 VOLUNTEERS



56,970VOLUNTEER HOURS DONATED



\$2.6 million
OF WORK DONATED

EDOH XVI



THE DISASTER

In 2020 and 2021, Hurricanes Laura, Delta, and Zeta, an ice storm, and major flooding all ravaged the Lake Charles, Louisiana, area. These five storms piled damage on top of damage. Families would fix one problem, only to have another disaster cause even more destruction. The succession of storms left many families struggling to rebuild, living in unimaginable conditions as their hope dwindles, waiting for help to come in the midst of their brokenness.

THE PLAN

Eight Days of Hope traveled back to Lake Charles, LA, from December 3-10, in partnership with SWLA Responds to provide free home repairs to families recovering from the tragic series of storms. Our goal was to offer lasting hope amid the Christmas season by rebuilding hundreds of homes, reminding those in Lake Charles that they are not forgotten.

THE WORK

Many families were still struggling to find ways to repair their storm damage, as each disaster left another blow. Eight Days of Hope was humbled to help! With the help of over 1,000 volunteers from across the country, we loved and served 107 families with free home repair projects. Praise God, these families are finally home, just in time for Christmas!





















107
FAMILIES SERVED



1,041 VOLUNTEERS



49,635
VOLUNTEER HOURS DONATED



\$2.1 million
OF WORK DONATED















PARTNERS



CARE CENTERS



SAFE HOMES







SCARLET ROPE PROJECT

Our 9th Safe House build brought us to Scarlet Rope Project in Jackson, TN, where roughly 50 volunteers helped frame, roof, install windows, and more on a brand new 8-bedroom facility for survivors of human trafficking. This wonderful addition allows Scarlet Rope Project to house an additional 9-10 women, expanding their current restorative housing program from 6 survivors to up to 16 survivors. The home opened in November of 2022 and is now providing refuge for survivors across Tennessee.



HER SONG

Our 10th Safe House build brought us to Her Song, a ministry of the Tim Tebow Foundation, in Chattanooga, TN. In just under four weeks, a crew of 65 skilled volunteers renovated an old building into a brand-new outreach center for Her Song, completing framing, electrical, plumbing, ceiling installation, window installation, painting, flooring, and more. This facility will be used for generations to come to help survivors receive counseling, support, and care as they journey toward healing.



MERCY GATE MINISTRIES

Our 11th Safe House build brought us to Mercy Gate Ministries in Kerr County, TX, where over 40 volunteers renovated two homes into a residential care facility and office space for the nonprofit. In two weeks, Eight Days of Hope helped with framing, drywall repair, electrical installation, roofing, deck replacement, and more. Previously, Mercy Gate could help up to 4 survivors at a time. Today, the nonprofit can serve 16 survivors as they begin the process of renewal.

SAFE HOUSE



MAYFIELD, KY

An EF-4 tornado swept across Western Kentucky on December 10, 2021. The widespread disaster devastated and destroyed homes, businesses, churches, and vehicles, and overturned the lives of many. Over 19 days, 417 volunteers from across the country joined EDOH in Mayfield, KY, to serve 235 families as they walked through unimaginable loss!



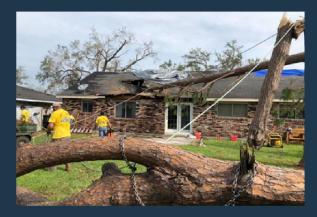
BEAR BRANCH, KY

It was the end of July when the floodwaters rose - 18 feet of water poured over roads and invaded homes in just 10 hours - leaving residents in Eastern Kentucky to brace for their lives. Following the disaster, 350 volunteers came together for three weeks and assisted 69 families clearing their homes. As we left, our teams were encouraged by the unity and hope that filled the impacted areas!









SARASOTA, FL

Category 4 Hurricane Ian made Iandfall in Southwest Florida on September 28, knocking trees down, shutting off powerlines, flooding homes, and so much more. Over 570 volunteers worked multiple weeks helping to gut homes, clear debris, and pray with 174 families in Sarasota following the disaster. God's presence mightily moved among the communities here, spreading His hope!



FT. MYERS, FL

The aftermath of Hurricane lan was devastating, and many families lost everything they owned. After deploying to Sarasota, we knew other communities needed help. Over two weeks, our teams served in Ft. Myers to provide aid and cleanup materials in the community. In only 14 days, 259 volunteers were able to serve 94 families and showcase God's love!

















EDOH BUFFALO FILMORE DISTRICT

Each year in July in the City of Buffalo, Eight Days of Hope provides free home repairs to over 100 families in need through an outreach called EDOH Buffalo. Our goal is to unite local churches and businesses to embody what it means to be the "City of Good Neighbors" by uplifting our own, touching a different district each year. In 2019, we served the University District, and in 2021, we served the Masten District.

FAMILIES SERVED
197

In May of 2022, Buffalo faced an unimaginable tragedy - a racially-motivated shooting at a local grocery store that killed 10 people and injured 3 more. The city rallied together against the hateful act and reminded us just what it means to love your neighbor.

In July, we served the Filmore District - a district in Buffalo where many do not have the means to complete much needed home repairs, such as roofing, lead paint removal, porch replacement, and more. We watched in wonder as God brought together 1,300 volunteers from Western New York and across the United States, in partnership with over 50 local churches and businesses to accomplish projects for 197 families, including families who lost loved ones in the tragic shooting.









MASS FEEDING

LAUNCHING JANUARY 2023

In 2021, we announced our desire to launch a Mass-Feeding Ministry, which would allow EDOH to bring volunteers and equipment to a disaster area and provide the most basic necessity to families in need - a warm meal. In 2023, this dream is becoming a reality. Soon, the equipment will be ready, and we will be able to serve those impacted with 8,000 meals a day for up to 8 days. God is good!

Matt Schlagel, our Feeding Director, knows that this new arm of the ministry is far beyond what we could imagine on our own. "There's unlimited potential with God. He likes to show us how big He is. We cannot limit Him or put a number on what He can do or quantify what one thing can do for one person. We want to see the Kingdom expand by providing love through meals." We're following God as He plans the steps for this ministry, and we are beyond excited to see where He leads.

GET INVOLVED WITH EIGHT DAYS OF HOPE

Involvement with Eight Days of Hope is far more than volunteering, although we do hope to have you join us on a trip in 2023! We cherish your prayers and financial support as well. As you look over all that God accomplished through Eight Days of Hope in 2022, we invite you to commit to pray, volunteer, or donate today and participate in all God will do in the future.

For information on volunteering and our prayer needs, please visit www.eightdaysofhope.com or email info@eightdaysofhope.com. If you would like to donate, you can give online at www.eightdaysofhope.com, find us on Venmo or PayPal, or mail a check to P.O. Box 3208, Tupelo, MS, 38803.



"May the God who gives endurance and encouragement give you the same attitude of mind toward each other that Christ Jesus had, so that with one mind and one voice you may glorify the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ."

Romans 15: 5-6







