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**EIGHT DAYS OF HOPE'S RAPID RESPONSE TEAM IS DEPLOYING TO BELL COUNTY, TX**

Tupelo, MS – Eight Days of Hope (EDOH) is deploying its Rapid Response Ministry to Bell County, TX, following two tornadoes that hit Belton and Temple, TX.

An estimated 500 structures have been damaged due to the storms, and many families are needing tree removal and debris clean up.

“The devastation caused by tornadoes is heartbreaking. So much of the South has been impacted by storms throughout the last month, over and over again,” says Chandler Gurley, EDOH Director of Operations. “We are thankful to have volunteers and leaders who are willing and ready to come and serve the community in Bell County. We know the pain is great, and we hope that through our volunteers, families will begin their recovery journey well.”

This outreach will take place from Tuesday, May 28, until Saturday, June 8, with the possibility to extend if needed. Volunteers will help with tree removal, sorting debris, cleaning yards, and more. You must be 16 or older to volunteer on this outreach.

To volunteer or to learn more about this outreach, please visit [www.eightdaysofhope.com](http://www.eightdaysofhope.com).

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