



Dear Eileen,
**HELP THROUGH
CHURCHES AND
INDIVIDUALS IS
NEEDED IN WV!**

As you may know, we have an 11 member Disaster Relief team in WV now, **Aug-4-14** and they are serving in the town of Rainelle. To say that the work is any more difficult than events and places we've served in response to floods seems overly dramatic, but it is. With 23 people who perished and about 1,000 homes declared destroyed or uninhabitable without repairs and the resulting spike in hundreds of homeless families or individuals, one can see just how difficult this has become. As of yesterday, the SBC Disaster Relief incident command had more than 80 jobs on the board needing help. Many [homes and rentals were abandoned](#) and untouched allowing mold to grow and further the damage. Just more than six weeks after the storms that brought devastating flooding to parts of 12 Mountain State counties, total damages to [roads and bridges was at \\$54.9](#)



[million.](#)

[FEMA says](#) more than 8,000 households and businesses have applied for aid.



REBUILD MISSION TEAMS & DONATIONS FOR MATERIALS NEEDED

Our Disaster Relief New England white hat Tim Brown in Rainelle and the Incident Commander, Chuck Thacker (TNBC DR) and logistics officer Jim Messenger report an incredible need for rebuild mission teams or crews and funds for materials over the next few months. FEMA monies only scratch the

surface when it comes to getting people back into their homes... something desperately needed before winter winds begin to blow. We serve single family homeowners without insurance, elderly, disabled and people with health concerns. TN Baptists and others are committing to long term rebuild over the next year or more.



Please prayerfully consider one or both of the following:

(1) Speak with, pray about and organize with your church to GO on a rebuild mission trip to Rainelle, WV within the next 3 months or year. You do not need Disaster Relief training to go. Our office can help make the arrangements, just contact Tim Buehner (tbuehner@bcne.net) if you are interested. Housing will be provided, although meals may have to be worked out. It will cost roughly \$200 per person for teams of more than 8 for travel etc. Teams need to have persons familiar with construction (sheet rock, flooring, painting, plumbing etc.) along with a cook or two to assist.

(2) Donate money for rebuild supplies as a church or individual. We are collecting funds for rebuild materials like sheet rock, laminate flooring, plywood etc. to go to homeowners in the Rainelle area. There are suppliers in the region, but money is needed. 100% of monies will go to survivors vetted through the long term recovery committee now being formed.

If you have questions, please call Tim Buehner at 508-393-6013 xt 222.

Donations. To give, please go to...



Thank you for your assistance in bringing hope and healing to people surviving disaster!

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