



## PNEC Disaster Ministries

### Emergency Cleanup Bucket and Hygiene Kit Update

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PNEC Churches are working hard to putting together Emergency Cleanup Buckets and Hygiene Kits. It is inspiring to see all the photos on Facebook of people in our churches smiling beside Emergency Cleanup Buckets and Hygiene kits that they have put together and will be donated. So, if you are having a bucket/kit packing party be sure to post photos on Facebook so that we can see your volunteers in action!

In light of recent hurricanes and disasters, you may be wondering what YOU can do to help...

1. **Pray**- If all of us pray for the survivors of the recent hurricanes and earthquakes that will be many, many needed prayers! Ask your friends and family to pray with us.
2. **Donate**- Monetary donations are the best way to make sure those affected will get the help they will desperately need. The United Church of Christ Disaster Ministries has set up online donations at:

<https://transactions.ucc.org/CampaignForm/UCChrist/Hurricane+Harvey+relief>

Or if you prefer to donate by mail:

make checks payable to United Church of Christ, with "Hurricane Harvey" in the memo. Mail to: United Church of Christ c/o Financial Services, 700 Prospect Ave E, Cleveland, OH 44115-1100

UCC Disaster Ministries helps with long term recovery. So after all the news crews are gone, we will be there to help with unmet needs. Giving to Disaster Ministries helps those who are most vulnerable.

3. **Assemble CWS Emergency Cleanup Buckets or Hygiene Kits –**

There is an urgent need for Church World Service Emergency Cleanup Buckets. A shopping list of the items that need to be in the bucket can be found at:

<http://cwskits.org/wp-content/uploads/2016/02/CWS-Emergency-Cleanup-Buckets.pdf>

CWS will also need hygiene kits which can be assembled from the shopping list that is found at:

<http://cwskits.org/wp-content/uploads/2016/02/CWS-Hygiene-Kit.pdf>

After your buckets or hygiene kits are complete, you can bring them to **one of our 3 drop off locations:**

1. Jordan UCC in South Whitehall Township. Jordan UCC, 1837 Church Rd, Allentown, PA 18104.
2. PNEC Conference Office, Palmerton will also accept buckets. Please call the conference office to arrange drop off at that location (610-826-3113).
3. Christ U.C.C. 460 Main Street in Conyngham, PA 18219 will accept completed buckets or kits. Please contact Pastor Sandy Murphy to arrange drop off at 570-956-4980 cell.



PNEC Disaster Ministries will transport the buckets and hygiene kits to Church World Service, New Windsor, Maryland. The first delivery date to CWS for buckets and kits will be in mid October. We hope that with this active hurricane season and other disasters, congregations will continue to make and collect kits over the next few months so that we can help Church World Service keep up with the demand.

We can all help the people experiencing such devastating loss. One small act of kindness can make a difference in someone's life. Please consider helping our "neighbors" in Texas, Florida, Puerto Rico and areas affected by the hurricanes and other disasters.

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