

The Frontier

Bringing Liberty
to Mankind
Fall

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Here I am pictured with a tree that was uprooted from a 30 ft. storm surge wave from Hurricane Katrina.



"Relief Effort"

I have had the privilege to travel and minister in several different countries around the world however, it does not compare to what I saw during my week of helping the people of Gulfport, MS and the damage that Hurricane Katrina made. It is a reminder that the physical is so temporal and what is of true value in life.



The team that came from YWAM-Tyler to serve.



This is a church whose walls were destroyed by the storm surge.



The local Wal-Mart where now you can see through to the other side of the store.



A local school destroyed by the storm surge.



Here is a McDonald's sign and some chairs and tables as the only items remaining from the storm surge.



An amusing sign near the first house we worked at.



This is to the right of the first house where we tore down dry-wall that got wet and 300-400 yards of destroyed houses from the storm surge.



After Hurricane Katrina came through, the National Guard was called out to only allow law enforcement officials and later home owners and relief workers to areas near the coast. Pictured at right is a food relief tent for relief workers and home owners operated by the Foursquare Gospel Church with volunteers from other churches.



The team from YWAM-Tyler joined up with a couple who served many years with Mercy Ships and eight students from Messiah College in Pennsylvania. We took out dry wall that had water damage and was growing black mold and used masks, rubber gloves, and sprayed our shoes with chlorine solution at the end of the day. The first house we worked on (at top left and complete inside top middle) had debris from the storm surge as high as the roof. We ministered to the lady who owns this home and the owner of the second house we worked on (top right) by getting it cleaned out so that repairs could quickly be made.



When the storm surge went up a canal located near the community where the second house we worked on was located (above right) a four foot wall of water came in from the left and swept through these houses. The second house involved taking out furniture and carpeting that was covered in black mold as well as almost all of the dry wall. Two days the team got to minister in a poor African-American community in east Mobile, AL (above middle). There was a man named Will who said that when the storm surge came through this community water rose up and stopped at the neck. Thirty minutes later the water was gone but, many houses in the area suffered eight to ten feet of water damage.

Areas affected by Hurricane Katrina were estimate to be 90,000 square miles or a land mass about the size of the State of Oregon. The home owners and people in their respective communities were ministered by our example of love and service. In east Mobile, AL one of the home owners was encouraged and motivated regardless of his poverty to help others in the same way. Helping others in such dire need brings hope which in turns helps brings liberty to mankind.



A neighbor had given one of my friends a two week old kitten who thought it was part of a liter of kittens that was born six weeks earlier. I enjoyed feeding this small kitty with the help of a plastic syringe who found a new home within two weeks.



Prayer Requests:

- Continue to develop a deeper, loving relationship with Jesus Christ
- Wisdom from God
- Go on a vacation with friends

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