



## Thank You

to our brothers and sisters of the ELCA  
who have sustained us  
since Hurricanes Katrina and Rita  
with your prayers, financial gifts,  
volunteer labor, and other gifts.

## Ways To Help Today

- ❖ Continue to pray for those working, living, and serving in the devastated areas and others who face disaster.
  
- ❖ Send skilled and unskilled volunteers through Lutheran Disaster Response. Contact: 866-709-0888
  
- ❖ Become a Mission Partner with a hurricane-impacted congregation or one which is reaching out in the impacted area. (See Gulf Coast Synod Website: [www.futurewithhope.org](http://www.futurewithhope.org).)
  
- ❖ Support long-term recovery efforts on the local level by sending materials and money for rebuilding. (See Gulf Coast Synod Website: [www.futurewithhope.org](http://www.futurewithhope.org))
  
- ❖ Support local outreach efforts to assist individuals and families to continue their recovery from the disaster (appliances, kitchen kits, mattresses, etc).
  
- ❖ Come, visit, stay in our hotels, eat the cuisine, and help our economy.
  
- ❖ Come to New Orleans and pray. A self-guided prayer pilgrimage is being developed with routes to drive, stopping for prayer at key sites. (Watch the Gulf Coast Synod Web site for more information: [www.futurewithhope.org](http://www.futurewithhope.org).)
  
- ❖ Bring your conferences and seminars to New Orleans.
  
- ❖ Find ways to do business with the businesses of Louisiana and Mississippi.
  
- ❖ Support efforts to bring affordable housing to New Orleans and the surrounding areas.
  
- ❖ Adopt a school in Louisiana or Mississippi.
  
- ❖ Learn more about the poverty exposed by the disaster, and develop strategies to lessen poverty and its injustice.
  
- ❖ Seek out hurricane evacuees residing in your community and offer support.
  
- ❖ Train your faith community in disaster response. Be prepared.