



S.T.O.R.M. Report

Short-Term Outreach, Relief & Missions

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Updates and Opportunities

"...your generosity will result in thanksgiving to God." 2 Corinthians 9:11b (ESV)



A hurricane relief team in Puerto Rico with local OPC Pastor Bradney Lopez (right), Elder Jonathan Layana (left,) and their families.

Lots to report as the new year gets underway, starting with a thank-you note from Ridge PCA, the church to which the OPC directed its donations for California Wildfire relief (**see p. 2**).

STM and Disaster Response Updates:

- Six hurricane relief teams have already served in 2019 - in Puerto Rico, Houston, and North Carolina!
- A husband and wife team from Wisconsin traveled to Key West to install laminate flooring at the Keys OPC facility!
- A team is on its way to help the OP Uruguay Mission present its English Club outreach in February!
- Short-term mission teams for English Family Camp (Czech Republic), and English for Kids Bible Camps (Quebec), are filled for this coming summer!

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CALIFORNIA WILDFIRES UPDATE

When the wildfire known as the "Camp Fire" devastated parts of northern California in the autumn of 2018, the OPC determined to focus its giving on Ridge PCA in Paradise, CA.

Here are excerpts from a year-end thank-you note that Ridge PCA Pastor Josh Lee wrote to everyone who helped in their time of crisis:

"We have been blessed by hundreds of families and churches seeking to care for us. We've received checks, gift cards, housing, letters, handmade quilts, etc...every single gift bringing us to our knees in gratitude.

"There are still very hard days around here. Days with tears and frustrations and feelings of despair. But hope is rising. I can see it. And I can especially see it when we are able to support a family by means of the gifts you have given.

"From the bottom of our hearts, thank you! Years from now, you may not remember that you made a donation to a small church in Paradise, CA. But believe me, we will remember. We will never forget."

Visit OPCSTM.org and scroll down to "California Wildfires: Thank You from Ridge PCA (Paradise, CA)" to read the full letter.

Summer Short-Term Missions Opportunities:

Visit OPCSTM.org and click on "Current Opportunities" for details

- Boardwalk Chapel Summer Staff (Wildwood, NJ)
- Boardwalk Chapel Ministry Teams (Wildwood, NJ)
- Team Haiti
- Team Praha (Czech Republic)
- RP Missions in Japan
- OP Uganda Mission
- San Antonio, TX
- Naples, FL

Disaster Response Opportunities:

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Hurricane relief volunteers needed in:

- North Carolina
- Puerto Rico
- Houston

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