

Mobilize Your Church in Crisis

What If...

The face of your community was destroyed by crisis?

Could you quickly mobilize to help? How could your church be the hands and feet of Jesus Christ?

When we work together to restore broken lives, we can restore hope and build a better tomorrow.

God worked through Nehemiah and His people, using their gifts and labor, to accomplish God's own purposes and restore the walls of Jerusalem. As a result, the walls of Jerusalem stood once again and God's testimony was re-established in this city.

Your church can be part of building a network ready to Mobilize in times of crisis. Steps your church can take to develop a Mobilize team.

- ✓ *Promote Opportunities for Your Church to Build a Team for Mobilizing After Crisis*
 - Communicate the Mobilize vision
 - Promote the needs following crisis to your congregation
 - Propose building a long-term partnership to Mobilize following crisis
 - Get approval and commitment from the church leadership

- ✓ *Recruit a Mobilize team*
 - Communicate *Mobilize* team opportunity to church members through various means
 - Communicate with multiple churches if desired to build a team
 - Hold an interest meeting
 - Explain Mobilize opportunity, process and expectations
 - Secure commitment from team members to serve with Mobilize
 - Schedule a training with ReachGlobal Crisis Response to kick off Mobilize team building (crisisresponsestraining@efca.org)

- ✓ *Develop a Mobilize team*
 - Begin monthly meetings (recommended) for team planning, establishing deadlines and a timeline that can be revised as priorities become more clearly defined
 - Assign and define specific roles/responsibilities
 - Develop initial budget and a plan for covering costs
 - Communicate to the church body opportunities for involvement (serving, giving, praying, etc.)
 - Build a prayer team to pray regularly for Mobilize team building

- ✓ *Empower a Mobilize team*
 - Coach team for fund-raising to help with costs of training and deployment

- Prepare and coach team members for ReachGlobal Crisis Response ministry roles and deployment
 - Develop an annual plan of engagement with opportunities to team build and serve
 - Team participates in outreach activities and projects for holistic ministry in the community or serving at crisis response sites
 - Schedule advanced training with ReachGlobal Crisis Response to continue to grow in the culture of preparedness
- ✓ *Release a Mobilize team*
- Communicate with national ReachGlobal Crisis Response leadership regarding needs following a national crisis
 - Work with ReachGlobal Crisis Response staff to engage, schedule and deploy members of the Mobilize team immediately after a crisis
 - Match personnel/roles to needs
 - Establish a deployment schedule
 - Oversee team rotation
 - Debrief team and individual members after times of service