

Myanmar: In the Midst of the Storm...UMCOR is There.



A tree is ripped from its root after Cyclone Nargis slammed into Myanmar's main city Yangon on May 2.

Eva Pineda Hansen/DCA-ACT International.

Cyclone Nargis tore through Myanmar (Burma) May 2 with unexpected fury, causing a tidal surge that swept inland and devastated Myanmar's most populated regions, leaving homes and businesses flattened and families forever changed. Current reports place the death toll over 20,000, with another 40,000 missing. In the midst of this devastating storm, UMCOR is there.

UMCOR Responds

The United Methodist Committee on Relief (UMCOR) is responding to the widespread need in Myanmar. Working through partners such as Church World Service, one of the few agencies with permits to work in Myanmar, allows UMCOR to respond to disasters in some of the world's most remote places. The international community is working to open up relationships between the US and Myanmar so that more assistance can be provided to survivors.

Bringing Hope

UMCOR is dispatching much-needed assistance and is working to do more to relieve the immense human suffering of the people of Myanmar at this critical hour.

"We are thankful for the prayers and response of the United Methodist people," said Bishop Zothan Mawia of the Methodist Church in Lower Myanmar, in a recent phone conversation with the Rev. Sam Dixon, UMCOR's chief executive.

How to Give

UMCOR's greatest need is for funds that aid international emergency relief efforts. Support UMCOR's response with your prayers and your gifts. Please pray for the people of Myanmar who have suffered great losses. Pray also for new venues for assistance to be opened to help those in need. Financial gifts will allow UMCOR to respond immediately and with generosity when the appropriate structures are in place to receive further assistance.

Give to **Myanmar Emergency, UMCOR Advance #3019674** Write the Advance # and name on the memo line of your check.

By Offering

For local church and Annual Conference credit, put your gift in the offering plate on Sunday.

By Check

Make your check to **UMCOR** and mail to UMCOR, PO Box 9068, New York, NY 10087

By Credit Card

Call toll-free (800) 554-8583



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