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Volunteer!

Follow this link to sign up for volunteer work projects with FCFI. You are under no obligation to work a certain project by signing up here. It is a way to gather information and pre-qualify volunteers, so when a situation arises, we can assemble teams quickly. Sign up here ---> [VOLUNTEER!](#)

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THURSDAY, JANUARY 19

Disaster Relief Begins in 2017: Louisiana and Oklahoma



We just can't help but show this picture from the 2006 flooding in Louisiana from the aftermath of Hurricane Rita!

The Fellowship of Christian Farmers, International is currently at work in disaster relief in Louisiana and Oklahoma.

From August 9 to August 16, a massive amount of rain fell in Louisiana. Called a mesoscale convective system, it flared up around a weak, low pressure area, and caused it to remain stationary for a whole week, dumping two to three inches of rain per hour at times. Some areas northeast of Baton Rouge received two feet from the stationary weather system. Highest totals were 31 inches in Watson, LA, just northeast of Baton Rouge.

For more history on this effort, see [this eNewsletter](#).

Louisiana Flooding Cleanup



FCFI Rapid Response Coordinator Melvin Bell, with wife Marilynn and crew

The cleanup work continues 5 months after this storm. The Fellowship of Christian Farmers, led by Rapid Response Coordinator Melvin Bell, of Mahomet, Illinois, is organizing volunteer work crews to help clean up the hundreds of homes damaged by the flood waters of the August 2016 storm.



Volunteers working on replacing trim inside damaged home

Many homes in Livingston Parish still need repairs, and more volunteers are needed. See the [VOLUNTEER](#) link above.



Piles of debris line the streets

For the latest info on volunteer needs, contact Melvin Bell at 217-249-2549.



FCFI Ministry at work, providing a bible to a family they helped

Not only are the Fellowship of Christian Farmers involved in disaster recovery, their primary mission is to be a friend in times of trouble. We are to be the face of Jesus Christ here on earth, until He returns.

Oklahoma



Tree damage from ice storm in Oklahoma

A terrible ice storm swept across the Midwest earlier this month, causing damage and slippery roads from Oklahoma to Ohio. Trees fell onto power lines, knocking out power to thousands of residents in Oklahoma. FCFI Rapid Response Coordinator Jerry Rice, of Boise City, Oklahoma, has been busy organizing teams of volunteers to clear the downed tree limbs and clean up residents' yards in the Woodward area. Nearly 1000 utility poles were knocked down, and many residents are still without power. It is estimated that power will be fully restored by this weekend to the 11,000 that are still without power. For the latest info on volunteer needs, contact Jerry Rice at 580-516-1234.



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