

IT'S TIME TO

BUILD BACK BETTER

WHAT'S GOING ON?

Hurricane Dorian ripped through the Bahamas on September 1, 2019 and altered the lives of thousands. World Hope International (WHI) was one of the first organizations on the ground and provided clean drinking water for 90 days.

We are now returning to rebuild two Wesleyan Churches and help their communities through ministry, construction and house repairs. Not only will we be helping restore homes in some of the most underserved communities on the island, but we will be doing so in a manner that helps our local pastors spread healing into those communities' lives.

We are looking for 15 church teams to join us from January-April 2020. Each team will have 8-10 members.

HOW DOES IT WORK?

Each church will designate a Mission Team Leader and select **8-10 team members** who are experienced in construction or able to jump in and help with construction tasks. Each team member needs to be physically able to work for **5-days** straight in a hot environment and lift **50 lbs.**

HOW LONG WILL WE BE ON THE GROUND?

Teams will arrive in the Bahamas on Sunday night and depart on Monday morning of the following week. WHI will have staff on the ground for the duration of the rebuild project season. These staff will meet your church team and help you with all on-ground logistics and project management.

WILL IT BE DIRTY & HARD?

Yes! You will be sleeping in bunk-style quarters and will be working in a hot, dusty environment every day. Many of those you will be serving have lost their livelihood and family members from Hurricane Dorian or previous hurricanes. You will have the opportunity to do hands-on ministry with two local Wesleyan Churches. It will be uncomfortable and life-giving.

WHERE WILL I SLEEP?

Team members will sleep in a bunk-style set up at New Beginnings Wesleyan Holiness Center in Freeport. WHI will provide cots. Team members will need to bring their own bedding (sleeping bags) and towels.

HOW MUCH WILL IT COST?

Reconstruction work in a post-disaster island environment is understandably not an easy or inexpensive initiative. Overall project costs, not including international travel, are \$20k per week. Teams will need to help raise projects costs. We encourage churches to divide this cost between participating volunteers and an overall church donation as they see fit. Partner churches who are unable to send teams can raise project funds for other churches who can send construction volunteers.

WHI will work with Airlink to support some travel costs as their resources permit. Please check with WHI to see if your church group qualifies for free travel.

WHO WILL WE SERVE?

We will serve the communities of Freeport and 8-Mile-Rock. We will partner with New Beginnings Wesleyan Holiness Center and Lighthouse Wesleyan Outreach Ministries.

WHAT ARE MY NEXT STEPS?

Each church will designate a Missions Team Leader to work directly with WHI to coordinate all logistics and will communicate with their team members. Pastors or Mission Team Leaders can contact:

 **Canada:** Alan – Alan.Dunn@Hotmail.com

 **USA:** Susan – SusanPark@WorldHope.org

If your church is not able to send a team but would like to raise money for the rebuild project or donate supplies, please email:

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