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Thank you for giving the gift of **an unmet needs assessment**

When disaster strikes, help may come from many different places. Governments, social service agencies, and faith organizations help meet the needs of those whose lives have been disrupted by a fire, storm, flood, and other disasters. World Renew Disaster Response Services has been one of these responders for over 45 years.

As the intense and immediate needs of disaster survivors are met, it can be easy to forget that the most vulnerable people are still suffering losses. A surprising number of needs go unnoticed, especially among those who are poor, live with a disability, or are elderly. **With an unmet-needs assessment, World Renew DRS offers spiritual and emotional support while collecting pertinent information that is used by local partners to rebuild their community.**

In 2017, Hurricane Harvey poured up to 60 inches of rain on the Houston, Texas, area and displaced 30,000 people. **Tabitha and Tim panicked when the water covered the electrical outlets in their home's walls.** Ripping a porch off the front of their house to make a raft, they put their son, who has autism, on the raft and had their other six children hold on while Tim, the only one tall enough to keep his head above water, pulled them all to safety.

Months later, the family received a federal loan that funded the replacement of the drywall in their home. But they had lost all of their possessions and were still living in a temporary trailer. Tabitha and Tim needed to know that their needs were not forgotten; World Renew DRS volunteers connected them with the help they still needed. **They say that what they needed most—what DRS volunteers gave them—was the listening ear and spiritual support that showed them they were worthy of a more abundant life.**

A disaster can pare someone's life down to the studs, leaving them spiritually and physically bereft. **Your gift of an unmet-needs assessment through the World Renew gift catalog promises that the unnoticed will be noticed, that a more abundant life can be theirs too.**

THANK YOU

“... I HAVE COME THAT THEY MAY HAVE LIFE, AND HAVE IT TO THE FULL.”

—John 10:10

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