



DISASTER RELIEF UNIT
DEPLOYS TO ZEALAND:
The Samaritan's Purse
Disaster Relief Unit will
bring aid to Zealand, New
Brunswick

Our Work

Disaster Relief Unit deploys to Zealand

Samaritan's Purse Canada is sending a Disaster Relief Unit to Zealand, New Brunswick, to help local emergency officials and residents clean-up after heavy rains caused extensive flooding in the community.

The Disaster Relief Unit – a specially equipped trailer – will arrive on Monday, Dec. 27 and be stationed at Burtt's Corner Baptist Church. The unit will serve as a volunteer coordination center for Zealand, a town about 35 kilometers northwest of Fredericton. Samaritan's Purse will work with the Christian Reformed World Relief Committee and local volunteers from the region to manage and provide clean-up and other recovery assistance to residents.

"Our first focus will be to send volunteers to those most in need – the elderly, the disabled, or those unable to clean up their homes on their own," said Steve Joudry, the manager of Samaritan's Purse operations in Zealand. "But we also want to be available to anyone who needs any help getting their homes back to normal."

Anyone in the Zealand area requiring free clean-up assistance from Samaritan's Purse can call 506-474-2401.

"There are currently over 100 homes in Zealand that have had water either in their basement or on the first floor," said Joudry. "The houses look normal from the outside, but inside they are devastated. The work that we'll be doing is absolutely vital for Zealand."

The Samaritan's Purse Disaster Relief Unit is outfitted with essential disaster recovery equipment including generators, pumps, hand tools, and safety gear for volunteers. It serves as a base for volunteer response, and is equipped with a self-contained office, communications system, and other supplies.

Volunteers Needed

Samaritan's Purse invites volunteers to join its clean-up efforts in the Zealand area. Volunteers will pump out water, remove soggy debris, treat homes for mould, and perform other recovery work. Safety equipment will be provided and volunteers will receive free on-site training. To volunteer, please call 506-474-2401.

For resources to promote the Samaritan's Purse response to the people of Zealand, please visit the [Church Resources page](#).

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Please pray for spiritual and physical help for those who have been affected by the flooding in New Brunswick. Pray for safety for Samaritan's Purse staff and volunteers as they clean-up.

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