



“It is the worst time in Myanmar history...”

Remnants of a village in the Irrawaddy Delta after Cyclone Nargis (Used with permission) 2008

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“It killed many people and people lost all their property and their houses and their jobs. Some of my friends and I went to the Delta. We saw many dead bodies. Some people remained in their village.

I wanted to be involved in the rescue team so I contacted an organisation and since then I have been doing relief and rehabilitation work. We also distributed rice – food – and also some clothes and shelter – tarpaulin. Some people still need help.”

Aid Worker, Yangon, April 2009

In the middle of Cyclone Guba, my wife Mary took our children to find safety. The water was rising quickly and was already as high as Mary's waist. Men in the village made rafts for the women and children, but Mary's raft turned over. The children were rescued but the lamp, Mary's Bible and prayer books were lost in the flood. In the morning they could see that they were surrounded by flood water. They had no clothes but the ones they were wearing – no food to eat, and no shelter from the rain.

The Revd William Herivo
Oro Province, Papua New Guinea



A doctor tends to a boy injured during Cyclone Nargis. © Used with permission 2008

We can all prevent death and suffering.

In the past year, ABM has responded to disasters in Zimbabwe, Gaza, the Solomon Islands and Myanmar. Through our Partners we've provided food, water and shelter immediately, then rebuilt houses, and donated fishing and farming equipment.

We have learnt that disasters are sometimes predictable and we have learnt how to save lives.

We know that the best way to do this is to prepare for disasters before they occur.

In an emergency, people need supplies well before donations arrive to purchase them. Some supplies, like food and medicines can't be stockpiled, which is why we need funds at the ready to purchase them when a disaster strikes.

Be part of the next Emergency Response by donating the ABM's Disaster Appeal.

\$4 buys one day's supply of fresh water

\$20 is the cost of a tarpaulin in the Solomon Islands

\$2,500 will rebuild a house in Myanmar

Your donation will be part of the fund that goes to the aid of people *immediately* after a disaster strikes. This will ensure that people in crisis get what they need without delay.

"To be reunited, to win, to survive, to escape and to gain something – you need to struggle and perform to the fullest. I think that is what our Lord did in his journey."

Rev'd William Herivo

Donate online at www.abmission.org



Distributing supplies in Oro Province. © Brad Chapman/ABM 2008

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I want to help people during emergencies by donating to ABM's Disaster Appeal.

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