

## Hurricane Matthew: Haiti cont.

roads impassable, Pastor Maxeau and our other Christian partners didn't give up—instead, they used horses and donkeys to carry food into the mountains where aid can be slow in coming. We praise God that a full 40-foot container of food, which cleared customs *one week before the storm*, was safe and dry in the warehouse!

But one container of food will not be enough. Estimates put the number of people who need assistance

at well over one million. Add to that the significant destruction of farmland and livestock and the scale of the problem becomes evident. We also have an obligation to continue supplying the 3,500 children in our feeding programs with hot, nutritious meals. It will take dedicated work and much prayer for Haiti to recover over the next several years. We will continue to follow the Lord's lead in Haiti, and we hope you can be involved in serving too.

## Hurricane Matthew: NC cont.

Operation BBQ Relief mobilized a "cook team" to set up at the church and cook chicken. FtH supplied Beans and Rice packets to supplement the meal.

Within 48 hours, these four groups were working seamlessly together to prepare and serve

thousands of nutritious meals to needy residents of Fayetteville, Lumberton, and Dunn in Christ's name. Thousands of people were able to feel God's love for them through a delicious hot meal at the right time. What a privilege to serve Him!

## Praises & Prayer Requests

### PRAISES

- God allowing us to immediately help Hurricane Matthew victims in North Carolina and in Haiti thanks to food you made possible
- The largest community Packathon in our history is this month in Katy, Texas
- The debut of our newest meal packet—Chicken Pasta! May it be used for God's glory to feed empty stomachs and lost souls

### PRAYER REQUESTS

- Our country needs prayers like never before and definitely beyond this election season
- Christmas outreach planned for America and overseas in places like Vietnam; may God reap a great spiritual harvest
- For *The Coming of Christos*, our upcoming Christmas devotional, to minister to people during this special season

P.O. Box 2347  
Burlington, NC 27216-2347  
feedthehunger.org  
1.888.772.9634



FEED the HUNGER  
ON THE GO

November - December 2016 Issue

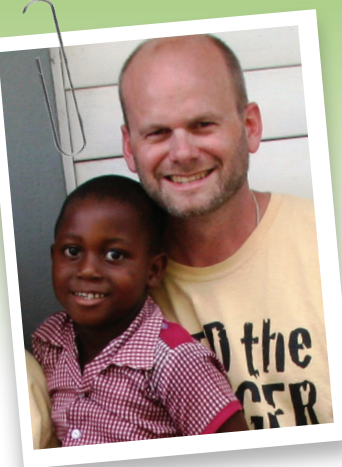
For I was hungry  
and you gave me  
something to eat...

Matthew 25:35

IN THIS ISSUE
A Word from the CEO
A Little Extra Christmas Love
Hurricane Matthew: Haiti
Hurricane Matthew: North Carolina



## A Word from the CEO



Dear Co-Laborers in Christ,

Little did we realize that only a few months after the All-American Packathon this summer Hurricane Matthew would give us an opportunity to deploy these meals so quickly. The devastation left by this weather event in places like Haiti and North Carolina will be felt for some time. We are grateful to those of you who gave and volunteered so that Feed the Hunger could help victims in the immediate aftermath.

You may recall that we sent you a “Christmas in October” letter in the days just preceding Hurricane Matthew. We would like to again draw your attention to this subject in this newsletter, as this appeal replaces our Annual Gift Catalog. Our partners are making final plans for special outreach during the month of December and could definitely use your help to make it possible.

Please continue to pray for those affected by the hurricane and those about to be reached with the Gospel during Christmas.

To God Be the Glory,

Joseph Williams, CEO

## A Little Extra Christmas Love

Giving Christmas gifts to our children is part of how we celebrate the birth of Jesus Christ. It is wonderful to gather together and see the joy on their faces as they rip off bows and tear into brightly colored wrapping paper. When they open a box, their eyes light up and their smile lets you know they are filled with happiness. Children dream about this special time

## Hurricane Matthew: Haiti

Just a few weeks ago, Matthew struck southwestern Haiti as a Category 4 major hurricane, causing near total devastation on the southwestern portion of the island. Homes were wiped away, people’s livelihoods were lost, and most tragically, hundreds lost their lives.

Relief efforts in Haiti began immediately and have been un-

derway for several weeks now. Through our strategic partnerships, Feed the Hunger is being used by God to help people in need of the most basic necessities. Our primary partner, Pastor Maxeau, began distributing food within 24 hours of the hurricane making landfall. Despite mudslides making

*Continued on back third panel*



## Hurricane Matthew: North Carolina

At the beginning of this year, God impressed on us the need to increase our meal supply for times of natural disaster and for the increased need in the US. Little did we know that the many meals produced during the All-American Packathon would be so valuable to families in our own state.

Hurricane Matthew dumped up to 16 inches of rain on large areas of eastern North Carolina, causing widespread flooding. The storm severely disrupted life there for weeks—contaminating the water supply, knocking out power, and causing property damage.

Thanks to your support, FtH got involved right away to help those in urgent need.

*Continued on back third panel*

What resulted was a beautiful representation of the body of Christ in action. Manna Church, a local congregation in Fayetteville, NC, made their property and members available to assist their neighbors. One of our longtime partners, CitiIMPACT Ministries, arranged for critical resources such as bottled water to be delivered to the church.



and what they will receive from their parents.

However, in many orphan homes this does not happen. The caregivers cannot afford Christmas decorations, a Christmas meal, or even a small gift for the children. Currently, our partner in Vietnam cares for 63 orphans. This will be Na Thi Sai’s first Christmas in a loving home. Her father has been

in prison all of her life and her mother abandoned her. She has lived her very short life alone and unloved. Now she is in a loving home and hearing about Christ for the first time. Join us in providing a special Christmas celebration for her and other orphan children who greatly need a little extra love. [Visit our website to see how you can share Christ’s love this Christmas.](#)

