

Alert!
Typhoon Sendong in Northern Mindanao
Devastation for members of the Christ-life Fellowship in the Philippines

Dear Brethren,

We are experiencing an event that even in our imagination we never expected. It happened so quickly around past 1:00AM of December 17. Typhoon Sendong sent his rage in the form of a flash flood that directly hit Iligan City and Cagayan de Oro City. In just a few minutes, the water rose above the knee inside our house. Although we lost a lot, the Father protected us from harm.

We didn't have communication outside Iligan City or even within the city itself for we didn't have electricity. 40 hours after the flood, electricity was back on in some areas of the city. The main area of the flash flood is just a kilometer away from the house where hundreds of people died and hundreds more missing. The church building of Pastor Rene Salazar is the only building standing in their area after the flood. Praise God they are all safe while most of their neighbors were wiped out and many are still missing. Most of our members are safe. Sis Rubie and Sis Juliet from Cagayan de Oro were able to manage to climb to the roof of their house to save their lives; they have multiple minor wounds.

Thousands of families lost their homes. It is now in the stage of Rescue and Retrieval Operation. The area is now so smelly due to the unrecovered dead bodies that are now decomposing, but can't be removed due to the big logs, mud, and other debris. The Christ-life fellowship family is actively helping out the victims in services and in kindness. It is hard to explain the event; many question. But I still stick to the truth that all things work together for good for those who are in Christ Jesus and in everything give thanks! This is all for now.

In Christ's divine protection,

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If you would like to send monetary help for those in the Christ-life Fellowship to use to rebuild and get back to living, you may send a check into the office here and we will wire the funds to our leaders in Iligan City. Roger & Myla Bodary look after all the affairs there in the Philippines.

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