

Texas, Ike Restoration



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2010 Season

WHERE ARE WE GOING?

On September 13, 2008, Hurricane Ike pummeled the coast of Texas, leaving piles of debris in its path. Galveston had over 75% of its structures destroyed by this powerful storm, the 3rd most destructive hurricane ever to hit the U.S. Over 40,000 people were displaced and millions were left without power for weeks.

Hurricane Ike's strong winds and rain caused major flooding as it traveled up through the Midwest, until it dissipated in Canada. Southeastern Texas bore the brunt of the storm and this is where Forward Edge is concentrating its efforts.



Surveying the damage post-Ike.

At the end of the day, our team met Rick and Rita, a young couple who had lost half their roof to the powerful winds. Our team didn't have the supplies to help and, after praying for the family, were forced to leave them standing helpless in front of their ruined home, with no power or supplies.

YOU CAN HELP! Many others just like Rick and Rita **need your help.**

Teams are now being formed to go to Houston, Texas and partner with the local church to reach out to those in need. Join a team or create your own!

FOR MORE INFORMATION:

Please contact **Matt Harris**, Forward Edge Team Coordinator for the Gulf Coast at: **360.574.3343** or **matt@forwardedge.org**



A volunteer repairs a roof.

Everyone
should have
an
opportunity
to change a
LIFE.



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Come to the Edge...
where you will discover in a deeper
way who God is, who you are and
what God can do through you.

WHAT ARE WE DOING?

Your team will work in inner-city Houston doing community outreach. In addition to community service projects, you will be working to repair homes that were damaged by Hurricane Ike. Many people, especially the poor and the elderly, do not have the resources to rebuild their homes. You will be providing a renewed sense of hope for many who have lost everything.

COST

The team fee for this trip is **\$495**. This fee covers preparatory materials, accommodations, meals (*please bring an additional \$10-15 for one meal out*), transportation on-site, some construction materials and an on-site facilitator.

This fee does not include transportation to the area. If you plan to fly into the area, you will land at George Bush Intercontinental airport in Houston, TX (IAH). Please contact your **group leader** to work out travel arrangements.

ACCOMMODATIONS

You will be hosted by one of our church partners. Team members will share in the kitchen/cooking duties, as arranged by your FEI facilitator. You will have breakfast and dinner at the church and take a sack lunch with you while you are out and about, serving and working. An FEI Facilitator, along with the church leadership will provide logistical support while in the area.

WHO CAN APPLY?

Do you have a heart for people? Are you a hard worker? Can you follow directions? If you answered "yes" to these questions and are willing to be flexible in what you may do, then come on down to Texas! Share your vision with us, and together we'll make plans to direct your group to the right opportunity.

PREPARATION

As soon as Forward Edge receives completed applications, we'll send you a team pack which includes: T-shirt, training materials and information on the Gulf Coast. Please note: FEI strongly recommends that each team member has a current **tetanus shot**. Please contact or become a group leader for more information—they will be in close contact with **Matt Harris** at Forward Edge in preparation for your mission trip! matt@forwardedge.org, 360-574-3343

IMPORTANT DATES

90 days:

Application & Liability Release Form DUE.

60 days:

Half Payment DUE.

30 days:

Full Payment DUE.



Making Friends in the Gulf Coast!

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