

January Special Offering: Disaster Relief

January's special offering is for **Disaster Relief**. Man-made and natural disasters occur with dismaying regularity.... wars, fires, floods, hurricanes, etc. Rather than ask the congregation to contribute each time one of these disasters happen, we establish a fund from January's Special Offering that allows us to respond when the need arises. In 2022, we sent money to UMCOR International, primarily to help victims of the war in Ukraine. In 2023, our donations went to Maui to help victims of the wildfires and to Moroccan earthquake relief. Last year, money went to help victims of the war in Gaza, as well as to those who suffered from Hurricane Helene's devastation in North Carolina.

Sadly, if there's one thing we can be sure of, it's that there will be disasters again in the coming year. Please be generous in helping fund DUMC's Disaster Relief account so that we can respond immediately when there's a need.