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**Week of Compassion** is the relief, refugee, and development mission fund of the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) in the United States and Canada.

### **2023 YEAR IN REVIEW**

## responding with compassion around the world

Each and every day, something catches our attention.

Down the street, across the nation, throughout the world - Conflict. Disaster. Uncertainty. Illness. Emergency. It seems endless, and more than we can bear.

And yet.

Down the street, across the nation, throughout the world - Compassion. Generosity. Imagination. Possibility. Hope. It proves endless, and more than we can imagine.

As the world continues to shake beneath us, compassion holds us fast.

Where damage and loss could drag us under, generosity abounds to lift us up.

While storms rearrange our lives, imagination stirs our future.

When calamity disrupts and challenge overwhelms, possibility lights a path.

Where all seems lost, hope can yet be found.

With every prayer and offering, each coinbox and map pin, because Disciples have said the only way to move is toward wholeness for all of us, Week of Compassion - the whole church - you, Disciples, are there. With this map and list, explore the places and ways your compassion has brought transformative hope, responding to needs throughout 2023.

We hope you'll share this with your congregation, and join us in prayer, as we renew our mission to work with partners to alleviate suffering throughout the world, toward a vision where God's people transform suffering into hope. Grace and peace, Disciples.

Holy One working wonders beyond all we can imagine,
be with us now and still.

Amid our fear and concern, inspire our courage and compassion,
that we might embody the fullness of your creation,
working wonder and being present
to all we meet, in all we do, with all we are.

Heart of Christ beating within us,
enliven us now and still.

Amid our shock and anger, stir us to justice and instill in us your mercy,
that we might overflow with your own love,
taking each step as though you were calling us across the waters,
because you are.

Holy Spirit breathing the world into being,
bring fresh wind for us now and still.

Amid our doubt and hesitation, overwhelm us with your fire,
that we might know we are in this together,
with one another and because of you, moving us into the world.

In us and around us, because of us and in spite of us, for the sake of nothing less than the Gospel good news, we pray with and for gratitude, humility, and love. Amen.

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a prayer for the year in review ~ January 18 2024



2023 Responses

Click the map for an interactive look at Week of Compassion responses.

AFRICA Angola

Angola emergency drought relief
Chad emergency response
Congo emergency refugee support
Democratic Republic of the Congo adolescent youth program

Democratic Republic of the Congo flood response

Ethiopia emergency drought response

Ethiopia emergency response

Ghana flood relief

Kenya emergency drought response

Kenyaflood responseLiberiagirls' educationMoroccoearthquake response

Sierra Leone girls' education

Somalia emergency drought response

South Sudan emergency response
South Sudan women's health support
Sudan emergency response
Tanzania children's education
Tanzania flood response
Zimbabwe food security

ASIA & PACIFIC

Afghanistan earthquake response (2)

Afghanistan emotional and psychosocial support for teachers

Afghanistan girls' education
Armenia emergency relief

Bangladesh disaster risk reduction and resilience education

Indiaemergency responseIndiagirls' educationIndonesiaearthquake response

Indonesia youth empowerment

Myanmar emergency response

emergency support

Pakistan emotional and psychosocial support for teachers

Philippines typhoon response

Vietnam WASH (water, sanitation, hygiene)

LATIN AMERICA & CARIBBEAN Dominican Republic water & food security

Ecuador food security

MIDDLE EAST & EUROPE Czech Republic Ukrainian refugee support

Egypt emergency response

Egypt food security

Gaza emergency relief (3)

Jordan emergency support

Jordan Syrian refugee support

Lebanon food & hygiene relief

Middle East education

Palestine children's education
Palestine emergency relief

Palestine peacebuilding & conflict resolution

Serbia flood relief

Syria earthquake relief (3)

Turkey earthquake relief (3)

Ukraine emergency relief (2)

Ukraine emergency relief for internally displaced persons

Ukraine flood response

Yemen emergency relief & health support

UNITED STATES & CANADA Alabama storm relief

Alabama tornado long-term recovery (2)

Alabama tornado relief (2)

Alaska Ukrainian refugee support

Arizona Disciples Border Initiative

Arkansas extreme heat relief (2)
Arkansas tornado relief (2)
Arkansas winter storm relief

California Afghan Welcome support grant (2)

 California
 earthquake response

 California
 refugee support

 California
 storm relief (5)

 California
 tropical storm relief

Californiawildfire long-term recoveryColoradoAfghan Welcome support grantFloridaHurricane lan long-term recovery (8)

Florida community resilience
Florida Hurricane Idalia relief

Florida hurricane long-term recovery

Florida refugee response - food project support

Florida refugee response - congregational engagement

Florida refugee response - community support

Florida storm relief Florida tornado relief

Georgia Hurricane Idalia relief (2)

Illinois refugee emergency family support

Illinois storm relief (7)
Indiana emergency relief
Indiana storm relief
Iowa storm relief (5)

Kansas Afghan Welcome support grant

Kansas hailstorm relief (33)
Kansas storm relief (2)

Kentucky emergency response

Kentucky flood long-term recovery (2)

Kentucky flood relief
Kentucky refugee support
Kentucky storm relief (3)

Kentucky tornado long-term recovery (11)

Kentucky wind storm response

Louisiana Hurricane Ida long-term recovery

Louisiana storm relief

Mississippi flood long-term recovery

Mississippi tornado recovery
Mississippi tornado relief (3)
Missouri hailstorm damage
Missouri storm relief (15)
Missouri tornado relief

New Mexico wildfire long-term recovery
New York refugee congregational grant

New York winter storm relief (2)
North Carolina refugee support (2)

North Carolina storm relief
Ohio storm relief

Oklahoma Afghan Welcome support grant

Oklahoma storm relief (11)
Oklahoma wildfire relief (2)
Ontario storm relief

 Oregon
 Ukrainian refugee relief

 Oregon
 wildfire long-term recovery

 Puerto Rico
 hurricane long-term recovery (4)

South Carolina Hurricane Idalia relief (4)

Tennessee storm relief

Tennessee tornado response (2)

Texas Afghan Welcome support grant

Texas emergency relief (2)

Texas fire response

Texas Hurricane Harvey long-term recovery (2)

Texas severe storm long-term recovery

Texas storm relief (13)
Texas tornado relief (3)
Texas wind storm relief

Virginia Afghan Welcome support grant (2)

Washington emergency relief
Washington winter storm relief

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to work with partners to alleviate suffering throughout the world

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a world where God's people transform suffering into hope

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connection - integrity - accompaniment

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