SITUATION REPORT

FLOODING IN JAKARTA, INDONESIA



JANUARY 6, 2020



INDONESIA

SITUATION

On December 31, 2019, heavy rainfalls caused severe flooding and landsides in the greater Jakarta area. Over 60 lives were lost and more than 495,000 people were affected of which close to 100,000 people lost their homes. The government opened 255 evacuation centers as temporary shelters for displaced families. While flooding is a common occurrence in Jakarta, the frequency and intensity of rains during monsoon season, as well as the ground extraction of water, causing the city to further sink below sea level, is resulting in flood disasters for the highly populated urban area.



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RESPONSE

Huria Kristen Batak Protestan (Batak Christian Protestant Church or HKBP), a companion church of the ELCA, opened a tent in Jakarta to provide free medical check-ups for families affected by the flooding. HKBP also provided cleaning materials to help communities remove debris and clean water-damaged homes. Lutheran Disaster Response is providing support to HKBP to continue the relief and recovery activities.

HOW YOU CAN HELP

Pray

Please pray for the people who have been affected by flooding and landslides in Jakarta, Indonesia. May God's healing presence give them peace and hope in their time of need.

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