



SITUATION REPORT

HURRICANE ETA



NOVEMBER 13, 2020



CENTRAL AMERICA
AND FLORIDA

SITUATION

Hurricane Eta, the 28th named storm of the Atlantic hurricane season, made landfall in Nicaragua on November 3 as a Category 4 storm. The most catastrophic damage occurred in Nicaragua, Honduras, and Guatemala. Throughout the three countries, major winds and flooding destroyed thousands of homes and more than 4.4 people were affected. In rural areas, crops were damaged and access to clean drinking water is limited. The extent of devastation is still being assessed.

After moving through Central America, Eta weakened as it traveled eastward over Cuba and the Florida Keys. It then moved north, and made landfall again over central Florida as a tropical storm, bringing heavy rains to the area.



RESPONSE

Throughout the impacted countries in Central America, Lutheran Disaster Response is engaging with the following companion churches and ecumenical partners:

- Iglesia Cristiana Luterana de Honduras
- Comision de Accion Social Menonita
- Church World Service
- Iglesia Luterana Augustina de Guatemala
- Iglesia Luterana de Nicaragua "Fe y Esperanza"
- Interchurch Center for Theological and Social Studies
- IEU United Evangelical Church-Lutheran Synod Cuba

These companions have begun relief efforts by distributing food and hygiene kits to impacted families.



Photo: Iglesia Cristiana Luterana de Honduras

HOW YOU CAN HELP

Pray

Let us pray for the people who have been affected by the Hurricane Eta. May God's healing presence give them comfort and hope in their time of need.

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