

We need your donation, in order to protect people from the consequences of disasters. We use donations, where help is needed most.

In catastrophes and crises, the ability to respond quickly becomes a matter of survival. Thanks to EMS emergency aid, we are effectively prepared for such situations.

Whether earthquakes, famine or civil war: every catastrophe or humanitarian crisis is always a race against time for the emergency services on site. Children, women and men must receive medical aid, secure accommodation, drinking water and food as quickly as possible. It is often a matter of life and death. The EMS also repeatedly supports its member churches in crisis situations.

Increasing threats

Many of our member churches are in regions, which have always regularly been afflicted by natural disasters. For example, there is a great threat of earthquakes in Indonesia, while India frequently suffers flooding or periods of drought. Climate change is increasingly causing extreme weather. The number of disasters and humanitarian crises that are not the result of devastating natural events – for example, wars, environmental catastrophes

or accidents - have also increased globally.

Acting with foresight

Disasters are unpredictable. Despite this, in order to be able to anticipate and actively face these challenges, the EMS has systematically established reserves from non-specific donations. They are available quickly and unbureaucratically in case of an emergency. For example, we were able to provide money for aid missions and rebuilding immediately after the flood disaster in 2018 in southern India, the major explosion in the port of Beirut in 2020, and the earthquake on Sulawesi at the start of 2021.

Help for all affected

The funds entrusted are managed independently by the local EMS member churches. They are the ones who can best assess where the greatest need is, and what aid is required most urgently. Wherever possible, the churches purchase the aid supplies themselves and transport them in the shortest and fastest way possible to the crisis and disaster areas. Even after the end of the actual aid mission, they support the families and communities affected, helping them to rebuild their lives in the long term. EMS emergency aid is, as a matter of principle, always aimed at the entire population – regardless of religion or church membership.

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