

Daytona Beach/Holly Hills Deployment #2 Wrap Up

Well it was quite a busy weekend and we made it back home safe and sound. We ended up hanging out with Samaritan's Purse as they were set up at the church we were staying at. Because we had some minor's with us and at the church that wanted to help out, we didn't serve under their umbrella, instead we were working with VIND, Volusia Interfaiths/Agencies Networking in Disaster, the local ESF-15, but SP provided some supplies, cooked for us and even gave us a hat and t-shirt! Thanks guys!

It was another last minute thing, but we were able to pull a good team together. Ten of us headed up on Friday evening and Pastor Chuck at UBIC asked us to look after a mother and her 3 teenagers from a sister church in Michigan, down to help in the relief efforts. We discussed our plan of attack with SP and VIND and then got some rest.

Up early for breakfast and devos and two other ladies, one local and one from Orlando also joined in the fun. We had 3 homes on the same street to get some work done. I got most of the crews working on removing debris from one home then took a few up the street to begin tarping a roof. Got things moving on the set up for the roof and ran back down the road to get the crew started on the neighbor's home, a complete muck out! The crew finished the debris removal and I showed them how to remove the trim and drywall and then headed back to tarp the roof. No sooner did we get the first piece up on the roof, when the skies opened up and the rain came down. We started getting it tacked in place and then the lightning started, so down we went! Decided to eat some lunch, wait out the lightning, and then got back at it. When we finished we went down to help work on the muck out and then called it a day and headed for the barn. Had an awesome meal, did some sharing and learned of a great story that the Billy Graham Chaplains were part of during the day, a lady got saved!

It seemed that an older lady needed some work done so they sent a crew out to help. She was raising a little boy who called her grandma. It turns out that he was the son of a woman who had lived a hard life of drugs and drinking who the older lady had tried to help several times. The mother was in the hospital to have heart surgery so the BGA chaplains decided to visit her there. God had orchestrated the whole thing so that the mother could see His hand in her life and she gave her life to Him! Praise God! We finished up and headed for bed, we were wiped out!

Got up Sunday morning, ate some breakfast and 2 more came in from Sarasota to lend us a hand. We did a devo and got back to the muck out. Later that afternoon, the mother and her three teenagers and the young man from Volusia County came in and helped up give it that last push and we were able to finish the muck out and bleach the inside down, it was a great job by all!! It was after 4 so we decided to just call it a day and went back to shower, eat and head home.

It was great to see how all of this came together and so many worked together so well to accomplish all that God wanted us to. We were able to share the Gospel with a Hispanic couple at the roof tarping job and many friends and neighbors of all of our jobs were able to see Jesus' love put into action!

We will continue to monitor the situation and keep you all posted. I know SP will be in town for a couple weeks so we may be going back after that, as the Lord leads. Please continue to keep them and us in your prayers, we couldn't do what we do without them!

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