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SPECIAL EDITION: Hurricane Dennis



Just a sample of the damage caused by Hurricane Dennis in Cienfuegos, Cuba

Like a runaway locomotive, hurricane Dennis came ashore in Cuba with a direct hit on Cienfuegos. The sustained winds were 149 mph with gust of 177mph. The flooding was massive and wide spread throughout the town of 100,000 people. Hundreds were left homeless and the whole city is without power.

On July 13, 2005, we finally received word from Pastor Hernandez of Nazareth Baptist Church in Cienfuegos that all was not well. In an e-mail relayed by Pastor Mario Delgado in Havana, Pastor Hernandez said, "The hurricane left a great mess on its pass through Cienfuegos. We lost the house church in Nuclear City, 36 brethrens lost their roof and 16 lost their houses totally in Cienfuegos.

We are still on black out since the day of the storm."

Last month we tried to raise \$5000.00 to help put a generator in this church, but so far we have only received \$1295.00. Now, they need more than just a generator. They need help with food, clothing and basic necessities. Because we can not ship anything to Cuba, there are only two things we can do. First, we can pray for the Christians in Cienfuegos because many times the government will not help them in times of crisis. Second, we can send money through the church in Cuba. This will help the Christians directly as they will be able to buy the things they need.

Will you help? Nazareth Baptist Church in Cienfuegos is only one of several churches that has been devastated by this storm. We can not ship items into Cuba, we can only send money and our prayers. Would you please help your Christian Brother at this time?

"But whoso hath this world's good, and seeth his brother have need, and shutteth up his bowels of compassion from him, how dwelleth the love of God in him?" (1 John 3:17)



Scenes from the devastation in Cienfuegos, Cuba left by Hurricane Dennis on July 8, 2005.