

History of God At Work Through Trinity Disaster Response Team

2015								
12/26/2015	Garland, TX EF-2 Tornado	The team's first unofficial response, assisting with clean-up in February 2016						
2016								
4/29/2016	Lindale & Hawkins, TX EF-2 Tornado	Assisted with clean-up in late May 2016						
8/14/2016	Baton Rouge Flooding	Build 50 bunkbeds for camp, Muck out of church worker home, undated electrical and sheet rocked.						
2017								
Jan-17	Plans began to form team	Purchased 16' enclosed trailer built out to carry supplies and equipment. LERT training for 30 +						
4/30/2017	Canton/Vanzant TX EF-4 Tornado	On site with LCMS Disaster coordinators. Tree removal, tarped roofs and replaced 3 mobile homes and furnishings with TLC and Emerald Bay CC						
8/25/2017	Hurricane Harvey Cat 4	57" of rain. Multiple weeks on site in Beaumont, Vidor, Lumberton, Orange. Muck out, Tree, sheetrock work. Replaced sheetrock Grace Lutheran Orange						
2018								
2018	Trailer Additions	Purchased 28' Enclosed trailer and finished out with water tank, toilet, shower and Vanity. Purchased 14' Dump trailer, with assistance from LCMS Disaster						
10/10/2018	Hurricane Michael Cat 5.. 160 MPH	First to set up volunteer camp in Panama City. Shared a travel trailer with Pastor Dave in Mexico Beach to live in after his home was destroyed. Multiple trips (Over 700 Miles each way) for 6 months						

2019								
9/10/2019	Return to Panama City FL	Returned to Panama City to Replace roof, rewire electrical and sheetrock home of retired pastor of Trinity Panama City.						
9/17/2019	Tropical Storm Imelda Texas Coast	Texas Gulf Coast, especially the Golden Triangle, 95 deaths. Multiple trips						
2020								
4/23/2020	Onalaska TX EF-3 Tornado	170 homes lost, 3 deaths. Multiple trips cutting and removing trees.						
5/22/2020	Bowie TX EF-1 Tornado	On site in less than 8 hours. Assited TXDOT with right of way clearing, cleared trees from multiple homes, and cemetery.						
8/14/2020	Mid-West Derecho	112 MPH winds, 700 miles across 6 states (Iowa)						
8/27/2020	Hurricane Laura CAT 2 Lake Charles/Sulpher LA	Initial camp in Beaumont, set up new camp in Sulpher. Multiple trips cutting and removing trees.						
10/10/2020	Hurricane Delta Cat 2 Southern LA	Struck southern LA, still reeling from Laura. Continued work from Sulpher camp						
2021								
3/25/2021	Tuscaloosa AL Tornadoes	24 tornados in and around Tuscaloosa AL. Camp set up at Lutheran church on University of Alabama campus. On site April 18th doing tree work.						
8/29/2021	Hurricane Ida Cat 4 New Orleans	On site by Sept 2, making multiple trips thru Oct/Nov cutting and removing trees.						

10 & 11 2021	Camp Building							
		Set up volunteer camps preemptively in Metairie, Slidell & Houma LA						
Dec-21	Camp Building II	LCMS national directors asked Tyler's team to preemptively build out 9 additional sites along the Gulf Coast from Florida to Louisiana.						
2022								
4 & 5 2022	Sustained high winds Tyler area	Clearing multiple residents homes from the Smith, Henderson and Anderson Counties area. Cut and removed large pine from the Faith & Life Center.						
Jun-22	Screen Porch Tyler TX	The team constructed a screened in porch for a Trinity widow.						
Jan-25	IceMageddon Tyler TX Area	This was the beginning of what would be several years of trees dying from the drought and than followed by 4 days of temps below 15 degrees						
22-Aug	Tree removal Tyler TX area	Cut and remove large dead trees for two different widows requiring the rental of a 50' lift.						
Sep-22	Henderson TX Tree removal	Cut and removed large tree from a Trinity widows home in Henderson						
22-Nov	Cherokee County TX	Cut 3 large oaks on the property of a young Trinity couple						
2023								
Jan-23	BobCat							
		Purchased 1st MT100 Bobcat with LCMS LERT St. Louis grant for half and Trinity Tyler paying the other half.						
2023	Tyler Area 2023							
		We cut and removed trees in the Tyler area during 2023 amassing an estimated 205 volunteer hours.						

2/23/2023	Trinity ECM	Cut, trimmed and removed trees from ECM playground. 27 volunteer hours and 5 Bobcat hours.					
Jul-23	LWML Grant	The summer of 2023, Art Hill and Mark Haseloff traveled to Milwaukie to learn the team had been awarded a \$50,000.00 Grant					
Oct-23	2nd Bobcat	Purchased 2nd Bobcat with the LWML grant funds					
Dec-23	Trailer	Purchased 18' enclosed trailer with the LWML grant funds					
2024							
2024	Tyler Area Hours	In 2024, the team had volunteered over 250 houts and 50+ Bobcat hours completing tree work for TLC members and Tyler area residents.					
Feb-24	Hawkins Campus	The team trained 5 new members while we also cut and removed over 15 dead trees on the campus.					
5/22/2024	Temple Tornado	Several members traveled to Temple TX for several days.					
7/1/2024	Hurricane Beryl	The team made 2 trips to Spring Texas amassing over 325 hours, 80 Bobcat hours and 20 lift hours. During this time we cleared trees for Resurrection Lutheran Church in Spring and Camp Lone Star Tomball					
7/24/2024	TVEC Grant	Received TVEC grant for the materials to complete the inside of the 18' trailer.					
9/26/2024	Hurricane Helene	Several members traveled 14 hours each way to Augusta, GA staying for 2 weeks. Totaled 437 volunteer hours and 110 Bobcat hours.					

2024	Recap	
		A very busy year accumulating over 1000 hours of volunteer time, 1000's of miles of travel using personal vehicles and many times without reimbursment. The hours don't account for the many hours of maintenance work of the trailers, Bobcat, and equipment or job assessment time and travel. On a sour note, we lost 3 active members this year, Larry Frowick to cancer and Art Hill to a tragic accident, both are a huge loss to our team and the community, and Gary Hickman who moved out of the area. We have added a few new members that will need to be trained and we will continue ongoing training for all members.