

## The Disaster and Week of Compassion is There

As the Mississippi River and its tributaries retreated from historic winter levels that flooded towns, forced evacuations and killed two dozen people, residents in the St. Louis area were facing a massive cleanup and recovery effort that will likely last weeks. "The healing process, the restoration process has begun," Chris Greenhagen, pastor of the Central Baptist Church in Eureka, Missouri, one of the communities hit by flooding along the Meramec River. The flood, fueled by more than 10 inches of rain over a three-day period that began last weekend, is blamed for 24 deaths in Illinois and Missouri.

The latest example, however, is from Texas storms, December 26: Destruction from the December 26 tornado surrounds First Christian Church of Rowlett, TX. This was just the second EF4 (200mph) tornado in the Dallas area since the 1950s. The church is already distributing emergency supplies, providing a gathering space, and partnering with Operation Barbecue Relief to provide hot meals to affected families, first responders, and work crews providing relief. Week of Compassion is working with the North Texas Area to provide relief to affected families and support the ongoing work of recovery. The best part of Week of Compassion are partners who are in place to help immediately. Your gifts last year are at work. Your gifts next week will meet needs.



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- 1 Tennessee, Storm Relief
- 2 Mississippi, Tornado Relief
- 3 Texas, Tornado Relief
- 4 South Carolina, Fire Relief
- 5 Missouri, Flood Relief (2)
- 6 West Virginia, Flood Relief



## STATEMENTS OF FAITH

*Christian Churches (Disciples of Christ) have usually been shy about making statements of faith. This is only because many statements of faith or creeds are written by people. The statements or claims of faith we use in worship each week are taken DIRECTLY from God's Word--therefore, we DO believe it to be true. There are any number of parts of scripture that scholars believe to have been a part of statements of faith that the early churches with the Apostles used. May your faith be informed and encouraged when you "declare your faith" with others.*



### What We Believe at Daleville Christian Church

- We believe the Bible is the Word of God.**
- We believe that Jesus Christ is the Son of God who died to save folks from their sins.**
- We believe that folks are saved by grace alone through faith in Jesus Christ.**
- We believe that baptism is the means by which people are to publicly profess their faith in Christ and identify themselves with his death, burial and resurrection.**
- We believe that the Bible and the Holy Spirit will guide folks in how to live.**

*The Apostle Paul NEVER based his hope for the church on the trends of the church. He always based his hope for the church in Jesus Christ.*

*--John S. Dickerson*