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Emergencies! There are times in missions that we face emergencies. We love talking about prospective missionaries, new families getting to their fields, preaching the Gospel, souls saved, and churches started. Yet, there are occasions when the normal missionary experience takes a turn.

In recent memory there was the earthquake and tsunami in Japan as well as several typhoons in the Philippines. Now, another emergency has hit the Far East region. On October 25, Typhoon Yutu, one of the most powerful storms in the Pacific, was a direct hit on the Northern Mariana Islands of Saipan and Tinian where two BIMI missionary families serve.

Roger and Liz Workman serve on Tinian, the launching place of B29s that aided the end of WWII. Four runways remain on the landscape on the northern part of the island as do relics of the war including a Japanese headquarters. Swante and Linda Lindquist are filling in at the Calvary Baptist Church on Saipan. Their goal is to provide leadership while asking God to provide someone for the future of that work. During the storm the Workmans took shelter under a bed for six hours while sustained winds of 180 mph raged around them. The first half of the storm removed a large portion of their roof. When the eye arrived, they sought shelter in a neighbor's house. For unknown days ahead, their house is uninhabitable.



ROGER & LIZ WORKMAN



SWANTE & LINDA LINDQUIST

Reports they received from the main part of town were not good. Their church building lost its roof and two church member's homes were leveled. These families are now sleeping in what is left of the church. The days following brought relief from the storm, but a

host of problems including loss of power, a shortage of water, a need for supplies, and mold that grew quickly causing health problems.

The damage to their home and church is major as the storm destroyed much of the inside as well. Please be in prayer that we can send help as soon as possible. It is at times like this that we rely on you! Churches often respond and are the lifeline for these families.

One of the major desires of the Workmans would be to



WORKMANS' HOME

rebuild with concrete roofs and supports. This is costly, but would be much better during future typhoons. Ideas of cost would be the difference in \$10,000 for a quick fix or \$50,000 for concrete structures. The Lindquists report much less damage, but need approximately \$5,000 to help their church recover. One very tangible need is fuel to operate generators. It cost about \$30 to fund the generators for two days. That is about \$100 per week. They are looking at possibly up to a year before the power can be restored.



CHURCH MEMBER'S HOME

If you could help, gifts can be designated for either the Workmans or Lindquists and given online or by sending your check to BIMI. **Information is available at [bimi.org](http://bimi.org), Typhoon Yutu Disaster Relief Tinian & Saipan or call my cell number listed below.**

Please pray for the Workmans and Lindquists as they have many months of recovery ahead.

**THANK YOU FOR PRAYING FOR US SO THAT WE CAN HELP OTHERS!**

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