

URC backs appeal for Pakistan flood victims

The United Reformed Church has encouraged congregations and members to respond to the Disasters Emergency Committee appeal for funds to assist flood victims in Pakistan. The UN says at least 1,500 have been killed and nearly a million have lost their homes.

Mrs. Val Morrison, Moderator of the General Assembly of the United Reformed Church said: “Yet again, we are moved by distressing pictures and stories from part of the world where day-to-day living is always difficult, and which is now devastated by flooding. I am sure church members and churches will respond generously to this appeal, as we have so often before. Our hearts go out to those affected and we support, in our prayers, all those involved in relief operations.”

The Revd Noble Samuel, minister of the West London United Reformed Asian Christian Church has been trying to contact the Moderator of the Presbyterian Church of Pakistan to see what more support might be provided. Many of his congregation are from Pakistan and there is concern for family members.

The Disasters Emergency Committee is an umbrella organisation of 13 UK humanitarian aid agencies: ActionAid, Age UK, British Red Cross, Care International, Cafod, Christian Aid, Concern, Islamic Relief, Merlin, Oxfam, Save the Children, Tearfund and World Vision.

Money can be donated by:

- Going to the [Disasters Emergency Committee website](#)
- Telephoning 0370 6060 900
- Sending a cheque payable to 'DEC Pakistan Floods Appeal' to DEC Pakistan Floods Appeal, PO BOX 999, London, EC3A 3AA

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