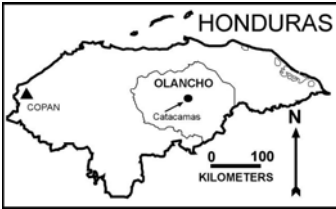


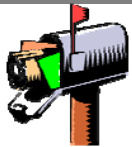
# Leadership Development International

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## Prayer Request:

- Please keep the brethren who live in the remote mountains of Olancho, Colon and Gracias a Dios in your prayers.
- Pray for wisdom as our local and regional leaders make decisions concerning on how to handle any relief if necessary.



## Contact Information

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### Norberto Otero

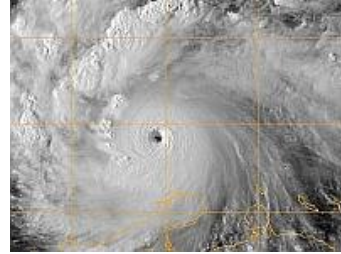
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Ron Carter and Wayne  
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## A partnership effort in the making

### TEAMWORK

Marlon Molina, Director of Escuela Biblica Honduras,



Wilmer Espinoza, Director of Journey, David Chacon, Director of LDI-Vo-Ag, Mario Alfaro, Jorge Vargas, Marel Bados and a score of local and regional leaders all over 4 departments (states) are working together to have access and organize a relief effort in case the situation

after Hurricane Felix worsen.

So far it is our understanding that rainfall has been constant in the North Coast and that and that many Christians all over Honduras are praying that nothing regrettable happens. In Trujillo and Olancho people are monitoring the news in hope of understanding the progress of the storm. Here in the USA we are trying to put together a response team that would allow us to respond in case the need arise. So far EBH, LDI, MdC, together with some individuals such

as Ron Carter, Wayne Gains, Steve Edelhuber and Norberto Otero has been in communication, but we hope to add more people to the network as well as any congregation or program willing to join us. We are blessed to have Mision del Caribe in our team.



This organization has plenty of experience in responding to disasters in Central and South America in the past.  
**Norberto Otero**



**A report from Fox news** describes the situation as "a record-setting Category 5 storm Tuesday, whipping metal rooftops through the air like razors and forcing thousands to flee." A [Red Cross](#) official, Claudio Vanegas said by phone "The winds are horrible," from the Nicaraguan town of Puerto Cabezas shortly after Felix struck land nearby with 160 mph winds. "They send roofs flying through the air, so we aren't going outside because it is too dangerous." This is of course the effect of the direct hit, but the most fearful effect is the 24 inches rainfall expected to be at the mountains of Nicaragua and Honduras. Felix landed around dawn, destroying

many homes. "There are some that are nothing more than a few remaining walls," he said.

It is interesting to know that "Only 31 Category 5 storms have been seen in the Atlantic since record-keeping began in 1886, including eight in the last five seasons." Also it is worth to note that "Never before in recorded hurricane history have two Category 5 Atlantic hurricanes made landfall in the same year."

In these days of record setting storms we do not want to ignore the ever present danger that many of our beloved brothers and sister are exposed together with the rest of Honduras. 1998's Hurricane Mitch killed many thousands; we truly hope all life is spare. But in case the storm takes a toll on these poor countries we need your help and commitment to assist the relief efforts.



You can read the full article at the web page  
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**The President of Honduras reported on Hurricane Felix. He explained that it entered at Category 2 into Honduras. It has been weakened by the distance it has run so far. It entered through the River Aguas and Patuca and others and it is 200 kilometers from the capital of Honduras, Tegucigalpa. It expected to dump 20 inches in the mountains and about 10 to 12 inches in some areas of Colon, Atlantida, and Valley of Sula.**

• [Click here to track Hurricane Felix.](#)

[http://www.nhc.noaa.gov/refresh/graphics\\_at1+shtml/085523.shtml?5day?large#contents](http://www.nhc.noaa.gov/refresh/graphics_at1+shtml/085523.shtml?5day?large#contents)

### Ron Carter. MdC Update

**Tuesday at 2:27 pm.** Yesterday we positioned \$5,000 of MDC and EBH funds to be transferred to Honduras for use as seed money to respond to the disaster that this hurricane will surely become. We put \$1,000 in Wilmer's account, \$2,000 in the Jutiquire account, and \$2000 in an account for Carlos Martinez in San Pedro Sula. I am not sure what use they will make of the funds, but I am sure they will use it judiciously. Wayne and I have discussed the need to watch this situation closely and to determine if there is more we can and should do. I am sure they will be a need for much, much more in the way of funding. We need to determine what role we all want to play, if any.



### Local and Regional Leaders report

- **Brother David Garcia in the city of Olanchito, Colon** informs that there is no gas... it continues to rain hard in the North Coast.
- **Marel Bados**, on the phone informs that a lot of the residents in Trujillo are watching closely the developments. SO far they have not experience much wind or rain, but they are nervously waiting for the rain to run its course.
- **Wilmer Espinoza writes...**

Dear brothers,

God continue bless you everyday.

We are an a hard moment cause possible we will be hit by the hurricane felix we are at hours to feel the damage our city was yellow alert but now is red alert , the situation will be turning hard for alot persons some of them they will be loss theirs homesother will. be need , food , clothes , medicine. etc we call you to be think about it if you cant pray for us , wherever resolution that you think please let know to stephen edelhuber [selhub2@hotmail.com](mailto:selhub2@hotmail.com) or 2787098 we will be try to be in contact with him cause some time at this moments communication is hard wherever help, will be help alot thanks so much

In Christ Wilmer Espinoza  
Journey missions' Camp  
Catacamas , Honduras

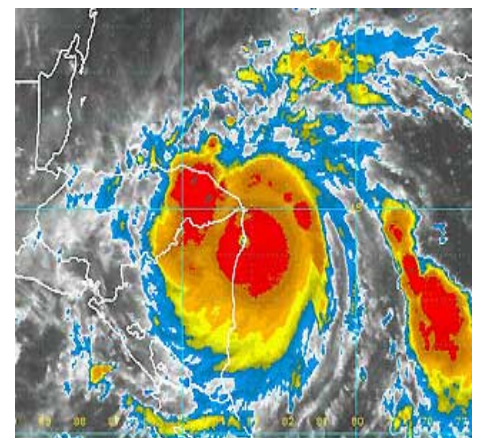
### Mario Updates,

As you know as we speak the coast of Honduras is being pounded by the force of Hurricane Felix. Among those areas most affected right now are Gracias a Dios in la Mosquitia and the area around the Platano River: Villa Nueva de Capapan, Las Delicias, Culmi, San Esteban, Janno. The rain has been continuing since 4 pm, Monday. Mario reports many in the Jutiquire church are nervous and that some fear for their humble homes. He also says his wife is sick. She is pregnant.

**Marlon Molina warns that just because Felix is now a Tropical Storm the situation continues to be dangerous and fluid. He encourage every one to continue praying and assisting in any way possible.**

### Honduras Update.

- **Airport at San Pedro will close** at 9:00 pm tonight. All other airports were closed.
- **In Campamento, Olancho continues to rain**, slowly, no winds until 5:00pm when the force of the wind increased some, but no too strong. Presently it is a Tropical storm.
- **COPECO, the Emergency Center for Disaster.** Cptn Burgos reports 18 refuges, 10 homes have been destroy, roads have been washed in Olancho Guata, San Antonio, Olancho is suffering the storm at this point. Also El Paraiso. Homes were destroyed in the Western part. The rain is expected to stay in Honduras for about 18 hours. Red Alert is still in Olancho, Atlantida and Yoro and others, by 9:00 pm this will be updated.
- **Tegucigalpa.** The water is affecting the department of Francisco Morazan where the capital city of Honduras is. They are preparing for a difficult night due to the rainfall.
  - The eye of the storm will pass through Tegucigalpa tomorrow at noon.
- **In Olancho:** Jano y Guanca, Juticalpa have lost roads.
- **Only one person has beenreported missing so far.**
- **Francisco de Becerra** has suffered continue rainfall since 7:00 am.



### Last Update from the weather channel.

[http://www.weather.com/multimedia/videoplayer.html?clip=7631&collection=topstory&nav=topstory&from=wxcenter\\_video](http://www.weather.com/multimedia/videoplayer.html?clip=7631&collection=topstory&nav=topstory&from=wxcenter_video)