

FAITH WITHOUT BORDERS – DISASTER RESPONSE TEAM



Jeff and Donna Smolinski and Walter Krantz haul appliances out of Wihemena's home in Gary prior to gutting and sanitizing.

When asked what motivates her to volunteer daily with flood victims, Meeda replied, *"I know there would be no place in heaven if I did not help my neighbors."*

- Meeda Enger, member of Westminster Presbyterian Church, Munster

Laurie Rutkowski and Kristin Malek, member of St. Maria Gorreti Church, carry out studs covered in mold from Lena's basement.



Walter Krantz and Jim Krol empty the remains in a toilet before hauling it out to the overflowing debris pile in the alley.



"I feel so lucky, not because my home was not affected by the floods, but I feel lucky because I live so close to the people that are in need of our help in Northwest Indiana. There are many opportunities to help if you cannot work in the moldy conditions, you could bake food for the homeowners, make follow up calls, or just go to the homes to listen to the homeowners. That is part of their healing process."

- Mary Anne Koke



Jim Krol and Jerry Navarra negotiate a freezer through a narrow basement doorway.



Joe Melko guts a wall of paneling.

Donna Smolinski and Carol Sulkowski work with Lena at her home in mid-town in Gary. Nine weeks after the flood, the mold is creating serious health problems especially for senior citizens like Lena.

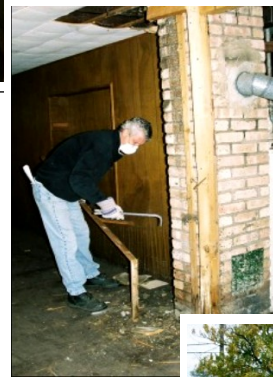


"After the flood, I would have gone to sleep for a long time and would not have wanted to wake up if not for all the volunteers who came to help and give me hope."

- Elaine Faye, Munster



Jenny Krol sweeps debris from scraped tile in Lorraine's Glen Park home in Gary.



Arlo Kallemeyn (left) guts the walls around the chimney in Lena's basement.

Jeff Smolinski (right) assists Faith Without Borders team members to haul out debris.

