



Volunteers in Mission **Trip to Puerto Rico**

Hurricane Maria, one of the most powerful hurricanes in history, devastated the Island of Puerto Rico in 2017. It will be a long and challenging recovery.

The Invitation - The Methodist Church of Puerto Rico (MCPR) has issued an invitation for teams to assist them with the long term rebuilding phase of recovery from Hurricane Maria. With that, you are invited to join a Volunteers in Mission Trip, **February 15th-23rd, 2019**.

What We Will Do - We are going to assist with the rebuilding effort. Our specific assignment will be made closer to the time of the trip, but will include a variety of construction tasks.

Where We Will Stay - The MCPR has arranged for teams to stay at a retreat camp or a local church. Conditions will be somewhat rough – little or no electricity, no air conditioning and no hot water although drinking water and meals will be provided.



Participants - The team will be led by Leslie Carmichael of Los Altos UMC and Steve Elliott from San Ramon Valley UMC, both very experienced team leaders and co-leaders of the California-Nevada Conference Team to Puerto Rico in March 2018. The MCPR is currently limiting teams to people 18 years and older.

Cost - The cost will be \$500 for participant costs including meals, lodging, insurance and transportation plus \$425 to \$800 for air travel.

For more information or to register for the trip - Contact Leslie Carmichael (carm-lee@pacbell.net or 650-468-7890) or Steve Elliott (sae612@msn.com or 925-640-9797).

A pre-trip meeting will be held on Sunday, January 13, 2019. Registration closes on **Saturday, December 15, 2018**.