

TEARING DOWN WALLS

Impact of medical missions in spreading the gospel

THE EXTENT OF MISSION WORK

The Whole Earth to Be Illuminated—At this time there should be representatives of present truth in every city, and in the remote parts of the earth. The whole earth is to be illuminated with the glory of God's truth. The light is to shine to all lands and all peoples. And it is from those who have received the light that it is to shine forth....

REACHING THE CITIES

Physicians whose professional abilities are above those of the ordinary doctor, should engage in the service of God in the large cities. They should seek to reach the higher classes... Medical missionaries who labor in evangelistic lines are doing a work of as high an order as are their ministerial fellow-laborers.

The efforts put forth by these workers are not to be limited to the poorer classes. The higher classes have been strangely neglected. In the higher walks of life will be found many who will respond to the truth, because it is consistent, because it bears the stamp of the high character of the gospel. Not a few of the men of ability thus won to the cause will enter energetically into the Lord's work...I have been instructed to encourage the conducting of cooking-schools in all places where medical missionary work is being done.

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MISSIONARY LANDS

Seventh-day Adventists are making progress, doubling their numbers, establishing missions, and unfurling the banner of truth in the dark places of the earth; and yet the work moves more slowly than God would have it. The members of the church are not individually aroused to put forth the earnest effort they are capable of making, and every branch of the work is crippled by the lack of fervent piety, and devoted, humble, and God-fearing laborers... The interest and labors of the church must be extended more earnestly and decidedly to both home and foreign missions... There is a work to be accomplished which money cannot do. Destitute fields must be supplied with earnest laborers, with those whose hearts are warm with the love of Christ and with love for souls. HS 290

THE INFLUENCE OF A PHYSICIAN

One who is a physician and a religious teacher will find a work to do that will result in the salvation of souls. The form of sound words in religious teaching, sustained by a “Thus saith the Lord,” will have a saving influence. A physician can so express himself that he will be invited to speak before various companies, and will be received. As a teacher, a physician can watch his opportunities; for the Word of God is to go freely.

MMW OPENS DOORS

In new fields no work is so successful as medical missionary work. If our ministers would work earnestly to obtain an education in medical missionary lines, they would be far better fitted to do the work Christ did as a medical missionary. By diligent study and practice, they can become so well acquainted with the principles of health reform, that wherever they go they will be a great blessing to the people they meet.—[Medical Ministry, 239.](#)

ALL SHOULD LEARN HEALING

Medical missionary work is the helping hand of the gospel ministry. So far as possible, it would be well for evangelical workers to learn how to minister to the necessities of the body as well as the soul; for in doing this, they are following the example of Christ. Intemperance has well-nigh filled the world with disease, and the ministers of the gospel cannot spend their time and strength in relieving all in need of help. The Lord has ordained that Christian physicians and nurses shall labor in connection with those who preach the Word. The medical missionary work is to be bound up with the gospel ministry.—[The Review and Herald, September 10, 1908.](#)

HEALTH BRINGS CREDIBILITY

Successful evangelistic work can be done in connection with medical missionary work. It is as these lines of work are united that we may expect to gather the most precious fruit for the Lord.—[Medical Ministry, 26.](#)

The presenting of Bible principles by an intelligent physician will have great weight with many people. There is efficiency and power with one who can combine in his influence the work of a physician and of a gospel minister. His work commends itself to the good judgment of the people.—
[Counsels on Health, 546.](#)

WHY MEDICAL MISSIONS?

Christ's method

Opens the heart to spiritual interests

Helps the message spread quickly

Opens doors in closed lands

It converts both the missionary and mission field

WHAT IS MEDICAL MISSIONS?

Using the healing arts with a purposeful intention of leading others to Christ

Spiritually focused healthcare providers

Church based health outreaches

CHIP, DRP, CREATION, etc.

Community based medical outreaches

Health fairs, mission trips, etc.



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30When they now shoot forth, ye see and know of your own selves that
summer is now nigh at hand. 31So likewise ye, when ye see these things come
to pass, know ye that the kingdom of God is nigh at hand. 32Verily I say unto
you, This generation shall not pass away, till all be fulfilled. 33Heaven and
earth shall pass away: but my words shall not pass away.

OVERSEAS MISSIONS



A 60-year-old Indian farmer (center) told John McGhee (left) and Jason Shives (right) of a strange dream he'd had 10 years ago.

Secrets of good health revealed in a dream

by John McGhee
GO MEGA-HEALTH
EVANGELISM MANAGER

Please raise your right hands," scrub-suit clad Jason Shives told the north Indian villagers who surrounded him. "You came to our clinic and received medicine this morning. But I am going to share five secrets from an ancient book called the Bible that are far better than any medicine doctors can give."

Linda University, listed the secrets:

1. Eat healthful food.
2. Enjoy daily exercise.
3. Drink 3 liters of water daily.
4. Rest completely with plenty of sleep daily and on every Saturday weekly.
5. Trust in God by praying often each day.

After Shives finished, a 60-year-old farmer spoke to me in Hindi. "Please let me talk with doctor Jason," he said. As Shives' translator, it was my privilege to help the farmer tell his story.

"Ten years ago I had a stroke. My right side was paralyzed. I couldn't speak. I had a dream. Although I don't belong to any religion, I knew that God was talking to me. He told me about these five secrets in the same order as you gave them today. You must be a man of God. Until today, I didn't know these secrets were found in the Bible. And I didn't know there was anyone else in the

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Next you read a passage from the Word and listen to see what God has to say. Finally, you present your requests to God and thank Him for taking action in your life. I challenged the young people to try this "miracle hour" approach.

On Sabbath afternoon, all of us went door-to-door asking about interest in Bible studies, prophecy seminars, Bible correspondence courses, or health seminars. The response was very favorable.

Unfortunately, none of these services is yet available in Iceland. The Adventist message in Iceland has seen slow progress. Out of a population of 300,000, only 200 Adventist members faithfully attend services every Sabbath.

Secularism is prevalent, and worship of the occult is popular, especially among the young people. We prayed for Bible study guides that could be sent to Iceland for translation.

After returning to the Gospel Outreach headquarters in Walla Walla, I found Bible study guides on the desk in my office. Eric Kreye felt impressed that we might need these materials. Needless to say, they are already in Iceland.

Please pray for the courageous young people in Europe who are helping Gospel Outreach finish

DISASTER RESPONSE

November 8, 2013

Leyte, Philippines



And knew not until the flood came , and took them all away...
So shall also the coming of the Son of man be.

Matthew 24:39

Super typhoon Haiyan slams into Philippines, at least 3 dead



A house is engulfed by the storm surge brought about by powerful typhoon Haiyan that hit Legazpi city, in the Philippine Albay province on Friday. (Photo:AP)

TYPHOON YOLANDA

6,100 dead

1,779 missing

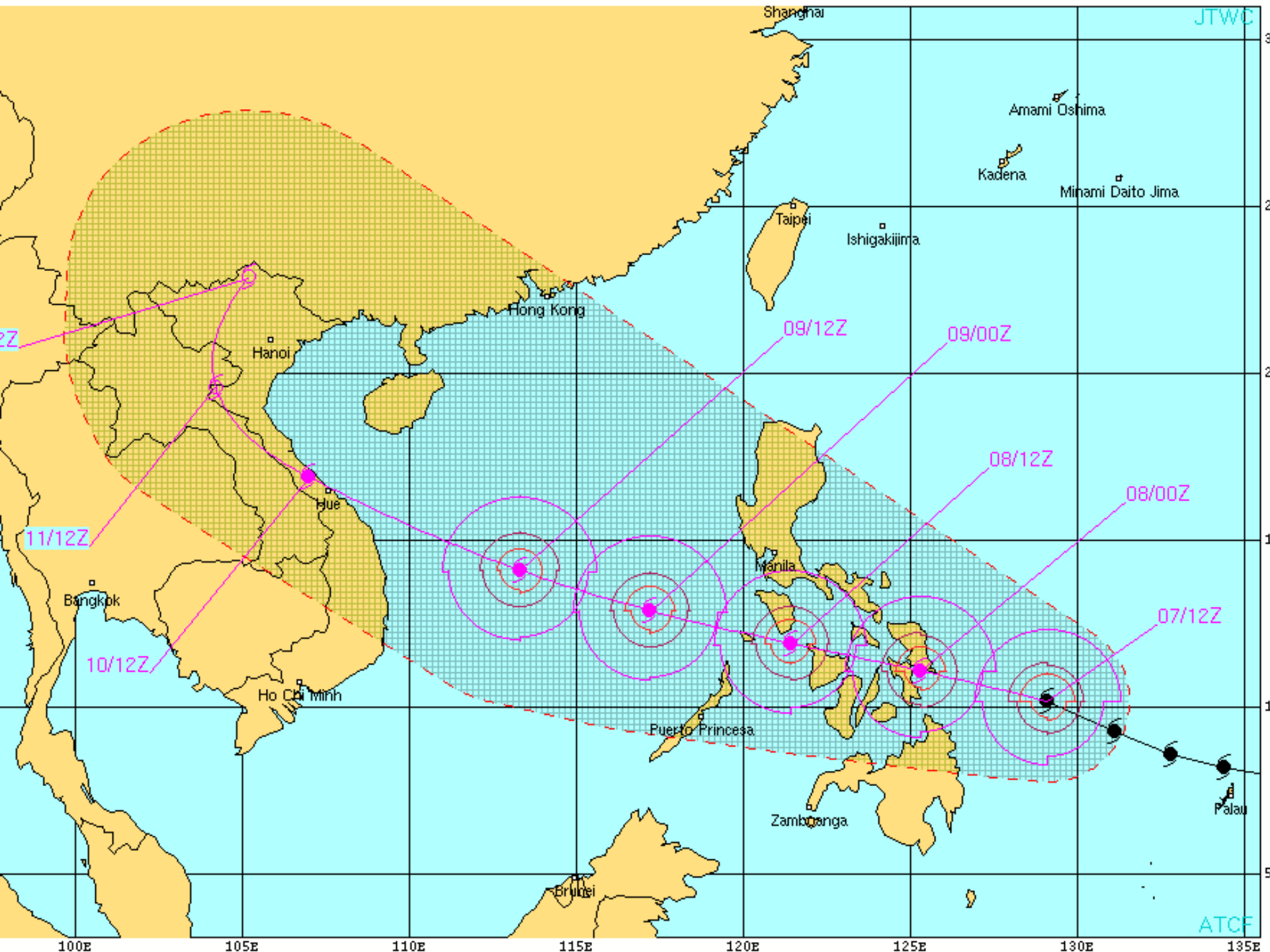
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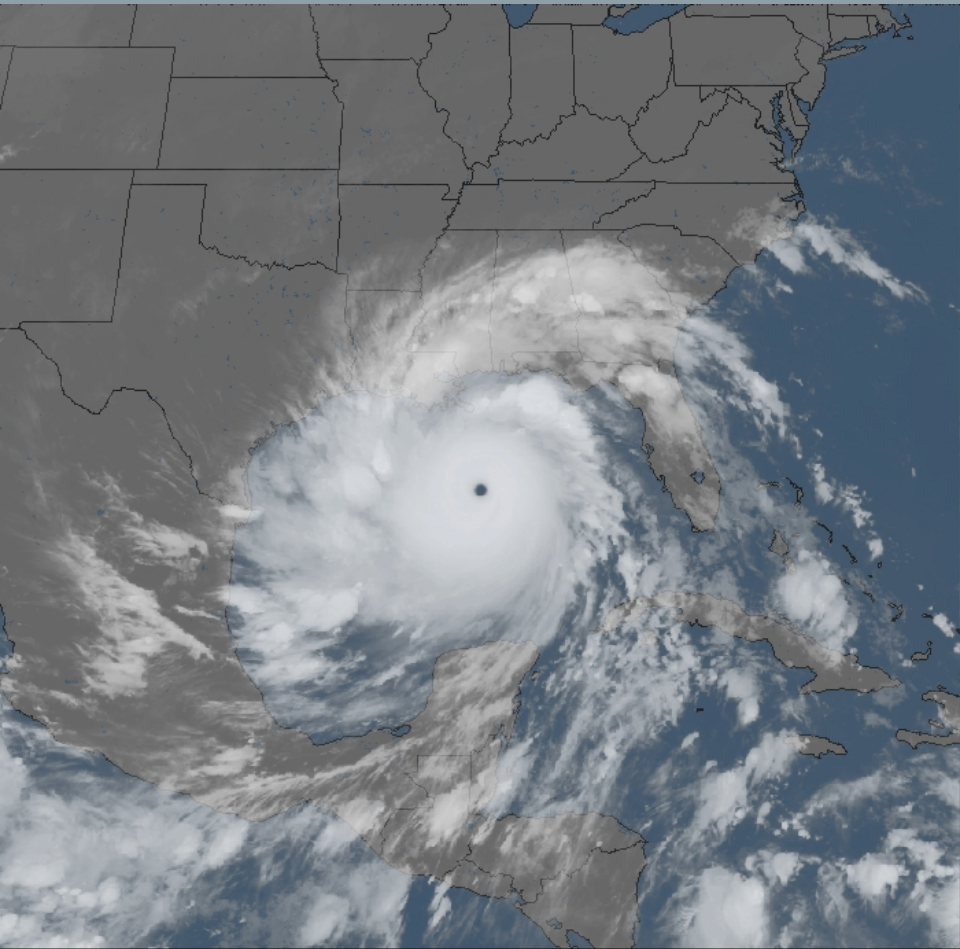
National relief workers - 35,463

Volunteer groups – 28,361

As of December 15, 2013

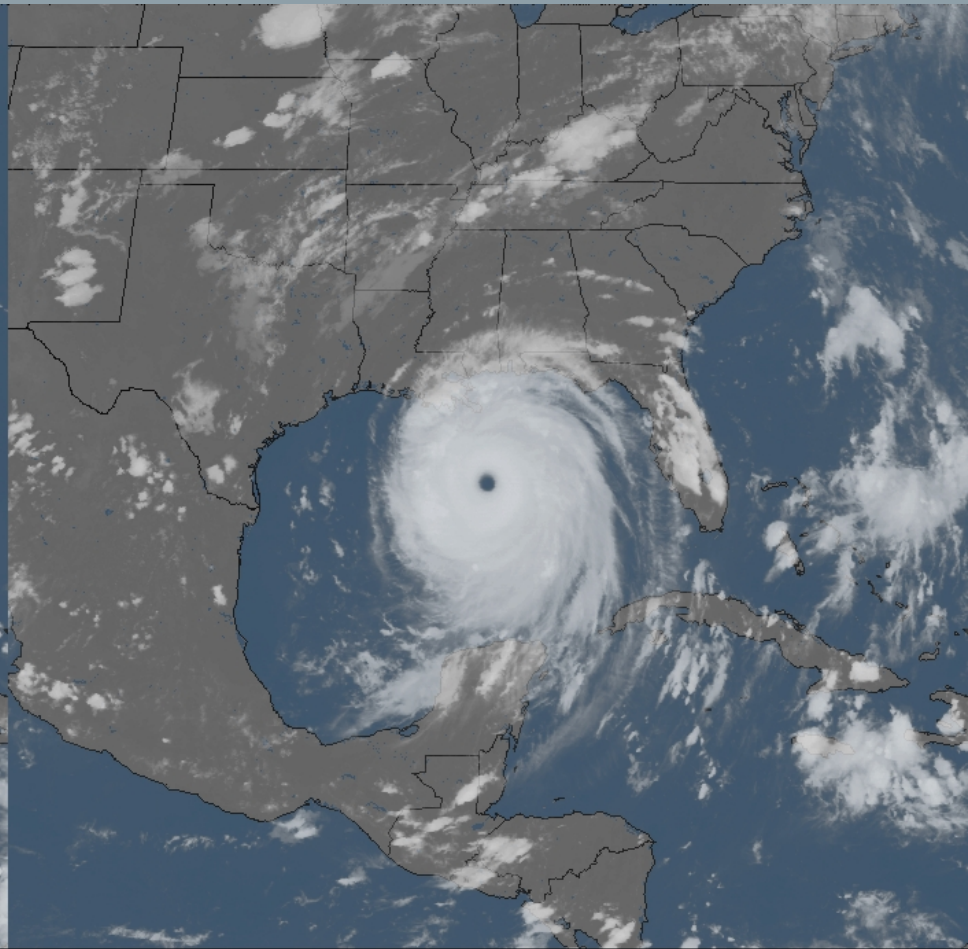
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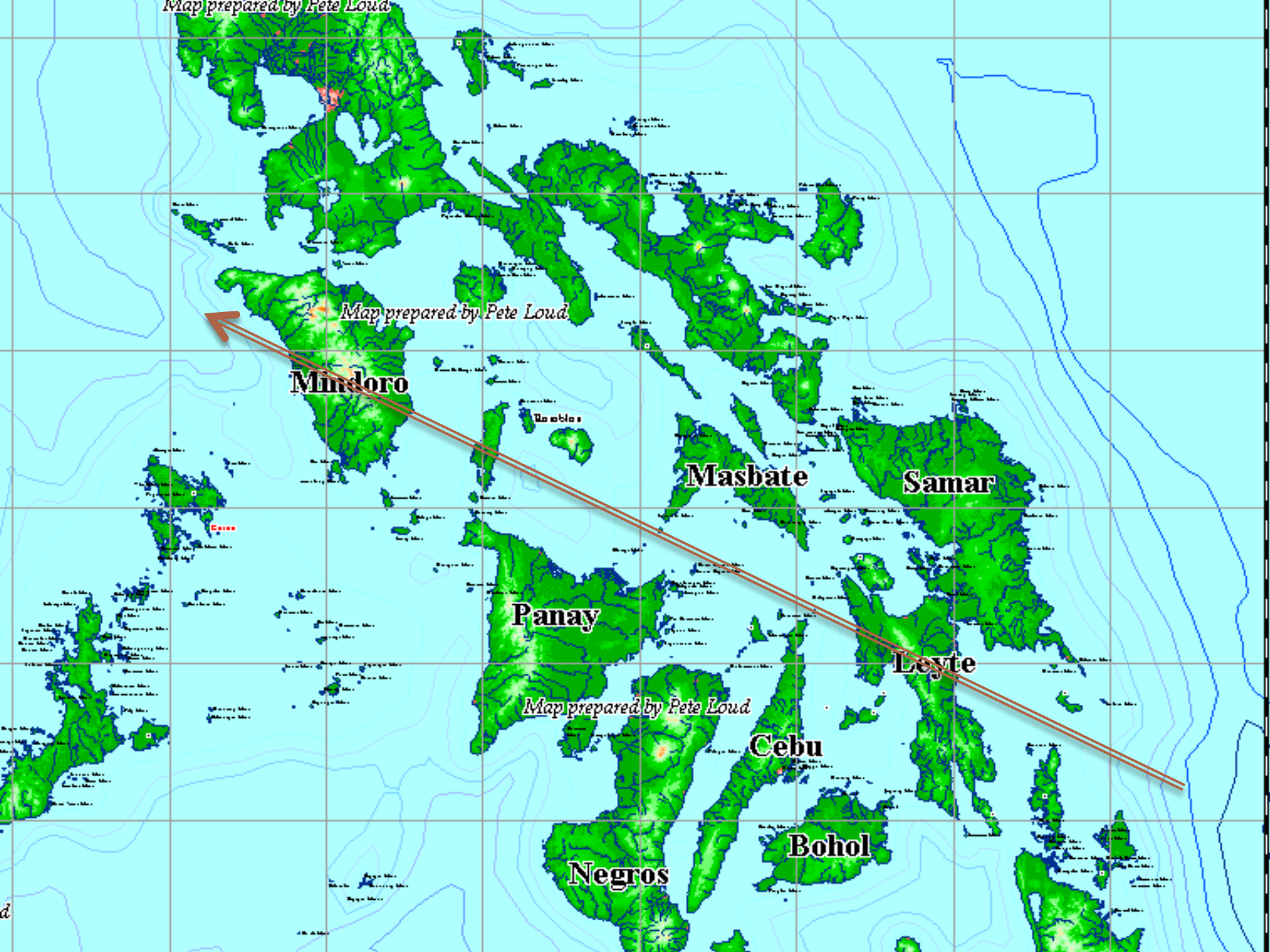
GEOGRAPHICAL COVERAGE OF HIAYAN SUPERIMPOSED OVER GULF OF MEXICO

Yolanda



GEOGRAPHICAL COVERAGE OF KATRINA

Katrina



Map prepared by Pete Loud

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Mindoro

Mambo

Masbate

Samar

Cebu

Panay

Leyte

Map prepared by Pete Loud

Cebu

Negros

Bohol







Damaged Homes – 1.14 million

Destroyed Homes – 500,000

Affected cities – 57

Affected provinces – 44

People displaced – 4.1 million

Evacuation center pop – 101,527















One island over





Captain Cyril



WHAT IF IT WERE YOU?

Where would you go?

Who would help you?

Would you be prepared?

When did we see you naked, hungry, thirsty?... When you did unto the least of these, you did it unto me. Matthew 25:37



25And there shall be signs in the sun, and in the moon, and in the stars; and upon the earth distress of nations, with perplexity; the sea and the waves roaring; 26Men's hearts failing them for fear, and for looking after those things which are coming on the earth: for the powers of heaven shall be shaken. 27And then shall they see the Son of man coming in a cloud with power and great glory. 28And when these things begin to come to pass, then look up, and lift up your heads; for your redemption draweth nigh.



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BE A WISE SERVANT

45Who then is a faithful and wise servant, whom his lord hath made ruler over his household, to give them meat in due season? 46Blessed is that servant, whom his lord when he cometh shall find so doing. 47Verily I say unto you, That he shall make him ruler over all his goods.

EVIL SERVANT

48But and if that evil servant shall say in his heart, My lord delayeth his coming; 49And shall begin to smite his fellowservants, and to eat and drink with the drunken; 50The lord of that servant shall come in a day when he looketh not for him, and in an hour that he is not aware of, 51And shall cut him asunder, and appoint him his portion with the hypocrites: there shall be weeping and gnashing of teeth.