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ENERGYUNITED DONATES \$10,000 TO SAMARITAN'S PURSE FOR DISASTER RELIEF EFFORTS

STATESVILLE, N.C. - On Monday, November 20, the EnergyUnited Foundation presented a \$10,000 gift to Samaritan's Purse to help fund their hurricane relief efforts. Months after hurricanes Harvey, Irma, and Maria struck the U.S. and Caribbean, thousands of people continue to rely on Samaritan's Purse for critical relief.

Nearly 70,000 EnergyUnited members choose to 'round up' their electric bills each month as part of Operation Round-Up. This money is granted to needy individuals, families, and non-profit organizations like Samaritan's Purse that complete an application expressing needs in their community and beyond.

Since 1998, Samaritan's Purse has assisted more than 34,000 families in 35 states following floods, hurricanes, tornadoes, fires, and ice storms. Based in Boone, N.C., the organization has helped after disasters in Texas, Florida, Georgia, Illinois, Louisiana, Mississippi, Missouri, Virginia, Wisconsin, and California this year alone, including a current response to a tornado and severe storm in Wilkes County, North Carolina, where their Disaster Relief warehouse is located.

When victims of war, poverty, disasters, disease, and famine around the world cry out for help, Samaritan's Purse is often the first to answer. The President of Samaritan's Purse, Franklin Graham, who recently visited Puerto Rico and other Caribbean islands where hurricane relief efforts are underway, said, "We are putting relief supplies—heavy-duty tarps, hygiene kits, solar lights, and food—in the hands of families in need. We want to remind people who are suffering that God loves them by meeting their needs for emergency shelter and other critical supplies. We will be working in the Caribbean for months to come."

Samaritan's Purse is grateful for the disaster relief donation granted by EnergyUnited. After receiving the check at our headquarters, Cathy Njoya, Director of Strategic Relationships, said, "This gift will go a long way to help in our efforts to assist families in recovering and rebuilding their lives."

About EnergyUnited EnergyUnited Electric Membership Corporation (EMC) is the largest electric cooperative in North Carolina serving over 126,000 metering points. Headquartered in Statesville, EnergyUnited provides electric service in portions of nineteen counties in west central North Carolina which include Alexander, Cabarrus, Caldwell, Catawba, Davidson, Davie, Forsyth, Gaston, Guilford, Iredell, Lincoln, Mecklenburg, Montgomery, Randolph, Rockingham, Rowan, Stokes, Wilkes and Yadkin. EnergyUnited Propane provides products and services to more than 25,000 residential, commercial and industrial customers in 74 counties across North and South Carolina. Visit EnergyUnited online at www.energyunited.com to learn more about our electric and propane businesses.

Samaritan's Purse is a nondenominational evangelical Christian organization providing spiritual and physical aid to hurting people around the world. Since 1970, Samaritan's Purse has helped meet needs of people who are victims of war, poverty, natural disasters, disease, and famine with the purpose of sharing God's love through His Son, Jesus Christ. The organization serves the church worldwide to promote the Gospel of the Lord Jesus Christ.



Pictured from left to right: **Tim Holder**, Vice President, Customer Care, Sales, Marketing & Communications, EnergyUnited, **Cathy Njoya**, Director of Strategic Relationships, Samaritan's Purse and **Debra Citta**, EnergyUnited Foundation Administrator