



Christian Emergency Relief Teams
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THE POWER OF PARTNERSHIP!

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Dear Friend of CERT,

I am constantly amazed when I see the generosity of Americans – especially Christians, as they respond to earthquakes, tornadoes, hurricanes, fires, tidal waves, famine, civil wars, and much more. As Christians that is what we should do. The Scriptures tell us we are to have compassion for our fellow man.

BUT ...

... rather than providing that assistance to hurting people by giving to secular relief organizations, who only meet the *physical* needs of the people, doesn't it make more sense for Christians to partner with *Christian* relief organizations, such as CERT?

At CERT not only are we very effective at delivering humanitarian aid to suffering and hurting people, but we always do it as a means of sharing with them the Good News of the Gospel of Jesus Christ. Because ...

EVEN THE BEST HUMANITARIAN AID IS ONLY TEMPORARY!

Have you ever considered that? No matter how good the medical and dental care is; no matter how much medicine, food, or clothes an aid organization provides; someday that person is still going to die and will stand before God to give an accounting for their soul.

YOUR PARTNERSHIP WITH CERT MAKES AN ETERNAL DIFFERENCE!

We always use humanitarian aid as a tool to help us share the Gospel because then we are making not only a physical difference now, but also a spiritual difference for all eternity. **THAT'S WHY IT IS SO IMPORTANT FOR CHRISTIANS TO SEND THEIR CHARITABLE GIVING THROUGH CHRISTIAN ORGANIZATIONS LIKE CERT!**

THE POWER OF PARTNERSHIP!

I urge you to carefully read the enclosed insert regarding the POWER OF PARTNERSHIP. Then ask God how you should respond. The Board of Directors of CERT is absolutely convinced that God has opened great doors of opportunity and NOW is the time to move forward into new and expanded areas of ministry. **BUT WE NEED YOUR PARTNERSHIP!**

I want you to know that I am deeply grateful for the many wonderful friends we have who pray so faithfully, and give so generously, to the work of CERT. Without you we would not be seeing God blessing as He is.

But we need many more friends just like you to help us accomplish what God is leading us to do. Some of you reading this letter have the means to help CERT even more. Others are already doing all you can. But everyone could tell at least one other person about CERT and thereby help to expand the circle of CERT friends. THAT IS WHY I HAVE ...

ENCLOSED A SECOND INSERT!

Please take the time to carefully read the “POWER OF PARTNERSHIP” insert and indicate your partnership choice on the response card. THEN, please give the second insert to a friend and encourage them to respond as well. By doing that you will help us to develop NEW PARTNERS and the POWER OF PARTNERSHIP will be greatly expanded through the ministry of CERT.

You can also encourage your friends to visit us on our website at www.certinternational.org to learn much more about what God is doing through the ministry of CERT.

A FINAL WORD!

Please join me in praying for the next 30 days that many people will respond to the POWER OF PARTNERSHIP campaign. If CERT is to move to the next level of ministry, and accomplish the things God has laid before us, we will need to develop many new partnerships. When we pray together God can and will move mountains and speak to the hearts of His people. Years ago the Russian evangelist Peter Deyneka rightly observed:

**NO PRAYER? NO POWER!
MUCH PRAYER? MUCH POWER!**

Will you please join me for the next 30 days as we pray for many new partners?

Prayerfully,

Ken Daugherty
President

P.S. Please read the enclosed insert now and indicate your partnership choice on the response card.

P.P.S. I also want to thank you in advance for sharing the second insert and response card with a friend, neighbor, or family member.