

Bishop T.D. Jakes and The Potter's House Partner with World Vision to Aid Tornado Victims —DALLAS, April 5, 2012

FAMILIES AND INDIVIDUALS STRUGGLING TO RECOVER FROM RECENT SERIES OF TEXAS TORNADOES WILL FIND RESOURCES FOR RECOVERY AT THE DALLAS CHURCH

In response to Tuesday's Texas storms, Bishop T.D. Jakes has partnered with local organizations to provide relief for those affected by the devastating twisters. Under the guidance of Jakes and led by Pastor Ronnie Guynes, MegaCARE Missions, Inc.,—the humanitarian arm of The Potter's House founded by Jakes—has joined forces with World Vision to aid victims. Hundreds of MegaCARE volunteers will assemble and distribute more than 500 food packages, hygiene kits and clothing for men, women and children. Cleaning supplies, children's shoes and even bed rails also will be available for those who need them. The Potter's House is also offering limited financial assistance.

In addition to tangible goods, The Potter's House Center for Counseling and Behavioral Health is offering free counseling sessions to those who are seeking emotional and mental support in dealing with the aftermath of the Texas tornadoes.

WHEN:

Thu, April 5, 3 - 8 p.m.

Fri, April 6, 10 a.m. - 4 p.m.

Mon, April 9 through Fri, April 13, 3 - 8 p.m.

WHERE:

The Potter's House of Dallas, 6777 W. Kiest Boulevard, Dallas

Room: The Sports Center

REQUIREMENTS:

Persons seeking assistance must bring photo identification and their Red Cross relief number.

INTERVIEW/B-ROLL OPPORTUNITIES:

- B-roll of volunteers interacting with/providing goods and services to tornado victims
- Pastor Lawrence Robinson, director of pastoral affairs and lead organizer of outreach efforts
- Local volunteers and members from The Potter's House are available for interviews

About The Potter's House

Located in Dallas, The Potter's House is a 30,000-member nondenominational, multicultural church and humanitarian organization led by Bishop T. D. Jakes, twice featured on the cover of *Time* magazine. as "America's Best Preacher" and as one of the nation's "25 most influential evangelicals." The Potter's House has

four locations: The Potter's House of Dallas, The Potter's House of Fort Worth, The Potter's House of North Dallas, and The Potter's House of Denver; and a Spanish language church, Casa de Fe. www.thepottershouse.org

About MegaCARE Missions

MegaCARE is an international outreach and relief program that supports and initiates sustainable community development efforts through education, health care assistance, humanitarian service and empowerment. A 501 (c)(3) nonprofit organization, MegaCARE was founded in 1997 by Bishop T.D. Jakes, and has implemented programs in the United States, Kenya, Zambia, South Africa, Swaziland, Egypt, India, Bulgaria, Mexico, Belize and Guyana by initiating sustainable development efforts through staff, volunteers and strategic partnerships. www.megacaremissions.org