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Dear Friends of the DR,

We have all been left aghast by Hurricane Sandy - wherever it went. New Jersey and New York were

Flooding from church roof.

slammed. Cuba was devastated. Haiti was hit bad, and the DR, being on the east side of the eye, was also hit bad by rain and flood waters.

There are many appeals out right now asking for help, and we can feel in our hearts how bad it was to be in Sandy's path, and be thankful to God that Sandy did not come our way. Let us remember those who were in its path.

These photos show the flooding in La Barquita, a "marginalized" neighborhood along the Ozama River in Santo Domingo where we have recently completed the



Dry in church courtyard.

construction of San Pedro & San Pablo church and school. All our constructions are designed to double as shelters in time of

need, and it did – Thanks be to God. The people's houses were another story. Some were shacks along the edge of the river, others had dirt floors that were turned to slimy mud that inundated beds,

bedding, and carried off cooking utensils, latrines were flooded out. People need these items plus food and water. Some need their houses rebuilt, others even an entire new house. In other cities where we have churches, specifically Azua and Dajabón, there were similar problems.

Please pray for the victims of Sandy. And, if in your heart you can make a contribution it will be well used and make a big difference. Send your contributions to the address above or to the DDG website via PayPal. Mark your contribution for "Flood Relief." One hundred percent goes to flood relief.



The lower part of la Barquita.

Thank you and God bless, Bob Stevens