

## **Thailand**

The Church sent food, water and other supplies to northern Thailand after runoffs from a tropical depression caused the worst flooding in the country's history. At least 75 percent of the provinces in the country were impacted; flooding displaced more than 2 million people. In addition, flooding severely damaged the infrastructure throughout the country, caused heavy losses in the farming and agriculture industry and left 2,300 schools submerged in water.

The flooding, which began in September and still continues, affected 73 member families in the Pathumthani Thailand District and Bangkok North District. Church buildings in Ayutthaya and Lop Buri, Thailand, were sandbagged and received some damage.

Responding to the disaster, local Church members assembled 2,400 food kits and 4,000 sanitation kits for members and others in the community affected by the floods.

Brother Samsel said the Church continues to monitor the situation and will send additional aid as flood water reaches Bangkok. "We are going to provide blankets and clothing," Brother Samsel said.

"We have provided an initial response," he said. "We will expand our relief efforts as area leaders determine."

He said the Church is also making preparations to help the members in Bangkok. "We are making sure they are safe and prepared and have necessary food and other supplies," he said.