

## Members Give Generously to Tsunami Survivors

In response to the enormity of human need, United Methodists throughout our Annual Conference have given freely from compassionate hearts. The church family at Mariposa UMC alone gave \$1,800 to UMCOR for disaster relief. Since this December, California and Nevada United Methodists have given \$240,438.

“We might ask, ‘Where is God in all this?’” writes Kevin Campbell, pastor at Mariposa UMC. “God has strengthened those whose efforts of assistance have been nothing less than heroic. Being a connectional church, we can proudly say we are there, in India , the Maldives , Indonesia , Malaysia , Thailand , Bangladesh and Sri Lanka . The United Methodist Committee on Relief is on the scene, sheltering 50,000 families in India alone. Health kits, cooking utensils, sleeping mats, blankets and tarps have been provided.”

Please keep in your prayers the tsunami survivors and all who work in disaster relief, including Paul Dirdak and Kristen Sachen, clergy from this Annual Conference, who help guide UMCOR on behalf of our denomination.