# THE POWER OF 3 Member Preparedness

"Organize yourselves; prepare every needful thing..."

D&C 88:119



# I. Spiritual Preparedness - Building Faith in Jesus Christ

- 1. Daily Prayer individually and as families
- 2. Daily Scripture Study individually and as families
- 3. Make and Keep Sacred Covenants

# II. <u>Temporal Preparedness</u>

### A. The First 3 Minutes

- 3-Minute Kits attached to each bed in the house.
- Plastic drawstring bag containing sturdy shoes, flashlight, leather gloves, whistle, and lightweight clothes.

### B. The First 3 Hours

- AM/FM Radio: battery or solar/dynamo (extra batteries).
- First-Aid Kit with adequate supplies, medications and personal needs for each family.
- Gas, water and electronic meter shut-off tools in place (secured to meters if possible).
- Search & Rescue equipment: leveraging tools, rope, masks, lantern/torch, loud whistle, duct tape, fire extinguisher, etc.
- "GO" Binder (or small expandable file) stored in a fire-safe location (in or near 72-hour kits) with copies in another location outside of the home. Contains names, addresses, phone numbers and maps for local/out-of-state contacts and rendezvous locations. Also should include important documents for each family member; general family information (SS cards, passports, birth certificates, insurance cards, or proof of insurance, all insurance policy numbers, bank account numbers, and vehicle ID numbers), and spare keys. See "Go Binder List" for details.

# C. The First 3 Days

- 72-hour kits for each family member packed and ready to leave home. Includes water (1 gallon per person per day), food, clothing, shoes, first aid supplies, medications, hygiene supplies, water filters or purification tablets, shelter and survival supplies and cash (small bills) for each family member.
- Car kit adapted for each household need adequate food, water, walking shoes, prepared to walk home if necessary

### D. The First 3 Weeks

In addition to First 3 Days supplies, enough water, food, personal items to last 3 weeks.

## E. The First 3 Months

- Adequate food that is part of normal, daily diet, enough to feed every family member for 3 months.
   Should include a combination of basic food storage and everyday food easily prepared. Build up gradually.
- Water storage for at least 2 weeks (one gallon per day per person). Purification devices or chemicals for water treatment.

## F. One Year Supply Food

- Basic food storage for every family member for 1 year. Food type that will last a long time, that can be used to stay alive, such as wheat, rice and beans.
- Suggested Minimum per person: 300 lbs. of grains (wheat, rice, corn, oats...) and 60 lbs. of dry beans and legumes. Go to providentliving.org.

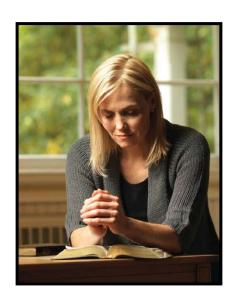
### G. Semi Annual Maintenance

- Replace batteries in flashlights (including kits), emergency lights, smoke detectors, radios, etc...
- Update "GO Binder" with current names, addresses, phone numbers, maps and documents.
- Update first-aid kit supplies and rotate medications.
- Rotate food and water in all 72-hour kits.
- Rotate (replace) water storage in large containers.
- Rotate children's shoes (correct sizes) in 3-minute kits and 72-hour kits.
- Rotate children's clothing in 72-hour kits.
- Rotate Water in Large Containers

# H. Sharing with Neighbors

Members are encouraged to share emergency preparedness ideas with friends and neighbors. Use of the publication "Neighbor Helping Neighbor" and/or this "Power of 3 Plan" is encouraged.

# SPIRITUAL Preparedness

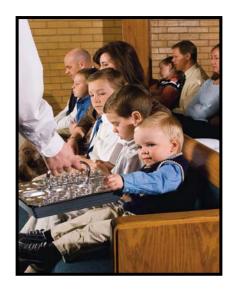


Daily Prayer
Individually and as families



Daily Scripture Study

Individually and as families



Make and Keep Sacred Covenants

Weekly Sacrament Meeting Attendance Regular Temple Attendance

Service

# Are you ready for the

# FIRST 3 MINUTES

# following a disaster?

Your family may be sleeping when the next strong earthquake hits. After the shaking stops, the lights may be out and broken glass and other dangerous debris may litter the floor. Doors may be jammed shut. It may be unsafe to walk barefoot and you'll need to protect your hands as you move things out of your way in the dark. Your home may be structurally unstable.

How will you get out with your loved-ones and your 72-hour kits?

Be prepared for the worst with a 3-minute kit for each family member!

# A 3-Minute kit includes:

- Sturdy shoes
- Flashlight
- Whistle

Light weight clothing

Leather work gloves



All of these items should be secured to each bed frame in a plastic bag that can be ripped open during an emergency.

# FIRST 3 MINUTES







Leather Work Gloves

Sturdy Shoes

Flashlight







Whistle

Lightweight Clothing

All items secured to each bed frame in bag.

# FIRST 3 HOURS



Emergency Radio

Battery powered or self crank AM radio



First Aid Kit



Fire Extinguisher



Search and Rescue Equipment



Important Documents

Stored in an easily accessible location that is safe from fire and water damage.



Tools to shut off utilities

# **Important Documents**

Keeping copies of your important documents in a single, portable, waterproof bag is one of the best ways to be prepared for disasters. Optional electronic copies can be stored on CDs or USB thumb drives. If you must evacuate, having key documents stored safely in one place will make recovery much easier. For family pictures, there are many free online services where your pictures can be saved with redundant servers across the world to protect your memories.

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Emergency Contact List
Family Emergency Plan
Drivers Licenses
Identification Cards
Passports
Birth Certificates
Social Security Cards
Medical Records
Prescriptions
Immunization Records
Insurance Cards
Bank Statements
Credit Cards
Investment Summaries
Insurance Policies
Petty Cash & Travelers Checks
Any other documents that are important to YOU!

Below is a list of items you should include:

# Helpful Websites

# www.readyoc.com (Sign up for AlertOC)

AlertOC is a mass notification system designed to keep Orange County residents and businesses informed of emergencies and certain community events. By registering with AlertOC, time-sensitive voice messages from the County or City in which you live or work may be sent to your home, cell or business phone. Text messages may also be sent to cell phones, e-mail accounts and hearing impaired receiving devices.

www.oc-redcross.org www.earthquakecountry.info www.ocpreparedness.com

# FIRST 3 DAYS







Food Supply
Canned food is generally easiest



Water Supply 1 gallon per person per day



First Aid Supplies



Cash in small bills

Store all items in a portable container that is easy to access and travel with for a moderate distance.



Hygiene Supplies
Include Babies, Elderly & Feminine Needs



Shelter Supplies



72 Hour Kit in Cars

# Car Kit

Below is a list of suggested items you may

want to include: want to include: □ Water Baby wipes, soap, hand sanitizer and liquid detergent ☐ 72 Hour Kit: food, high calorie meal bars, or other snacks Toothpaste, toothbrushes, shampoo, comb and brush, razor, shaving cream, lip ☐ First Aid Kit balm, sunscreen, insect repellent, contact lens solutions, mirror, feminine supplies ☐ Cash (\$20-\$30 small bills and change) Toilet paper Jumper Cables ☐ Sturdy shoes, a change of clothes, and a Disinfectant, Household chlorine bleach warm hat Washcloth and towel Emergency blankets, hand warmers Disposable gloves Pocket knife Medium-sized plastic bucket with tight lid, heavy-duty large plastic bags for Radio waste Flashlight, batteries ☐ Consider including a small shovel for Toilet paper digging a latrine Permanent marker, paper and tape Diapers/wipes if you have kids **Shelter Supplies** Spare clothes and activities for small children Below is a list of suggested items you may Emergency point-of-contact phone numbers want to include: ☐ List of allergies to any drug (especially Blankets, sleeping bags, emergency antibiotics) thermal blanket, body warmers Additional emergency supplies for children, Tent seniors, pets or people with disabilities Tarps

Hygiene/Sanitation Supplies

Below is a list of suggested items you may

Ensure your emergency survival by customizing your emergency kit for your own specific survival needs. Emergency survival means that you leave nothing to chance as you prepare for the worst.

Rain poncho

Matches

# FIRST 3 WEEKS







Canned Food



Water Supply



Batteries



Water Purification



Laundry Detergent



Hygiene Supplies Include Babies, Elderly & Feminine Needs



Bleach

In addition to the First 3 Day supplies, plan for enough water, food, and personal items to last 3 weeks.

### Water Treatment/Purification Methods

Treat all water of uncertain quality before using it for drinking, food washing or preparation, washing dishes, brushing teeth, or making ice. In addition to having a bad odor and taste, contaminated water can contain microorganisms (germs) that cause diseases such as dysentery, cholera, typhoid, and hepatitis.

There are many ways to treat water. None is perfect. Often the best solution is a combination of methods. Before treating, let any suspended particles settle to the bottom or strain them through coffee filters or layers of clean cloth.

These instructions are for treating water of uncertain quality in an emergency situation, when no other reliable clean water source is available, or you have used all of your stored water.

**<u>Boiling</u>** - Boiling is the safest method of treating water. In a large pot or kettle, bring water to a rolling boil for 1 full minute, keeping in mind that some water will evaporate. Let the water cool before drinking.

Boiled water will taste better if you put oxygen back into it by pouring the water back and forth between two clean containers. This also will improve the taste of stored water.

<u>Chlorination</u> You can use household liquid bleach to kill microorganisms. Use only regular household liquid bleach that contains 5.25 to 6.0 percent sodium hypochlorite. Do not use scented bleaches, color safe bleaches, or bleaches with added cleaners. Because the potency of bleach diminishes with time, use bleach from a newly opened or unopened bottle.

Add 16 drops (1/8 teaspoon) of bleach per gallon of water, stir, and let stand for 30 minutes. The water should have a slight bleach odor. If it doesn't, then repeat the dosage and let stand another 15 minutes. If it still does not smell of chlorine, discard it and find another source of water.

<u>Distillation</u> - Distillation involves boiling water and then collecting only the vapor that condenses. The condensed vapor will not include salt or most other impurities. To distill, fill a pot halfway with water. Tie a cup to the handle on the pot's lid so that the cup will hang right-side-up when the lid is upside-down (make sure the cup is not dangling into the water) and boil the water for 20 minutes. The water that drips from the lid into the cup is distilled.

<u>Purification Tablets</u> - Tablets that release iodine may be used safely to purify drinking water. These tablets can be found at most drug stores and sporting goods stores. The names vary but it is generically known as halazone tablets. Follow the directions on the package. Usually one tablet is sufficient for one quart of water. The dosage is doubled for cloudy water.

<u>Iodine</u> - Ordinary Household Iodine may be used to purify small quantities of water. Add 2-3 drops of Tincture Of Iodine to each quart of clear water (8-10 for cloudy water). Mix and allow to stand for 30 minutes.

# Sanitation & Hygiene Supplies

	Toilet paper	
	Soap, liquid detergent	
	Feminine supplies	
	Personal hygiene items	
	Plastic garbage bags, ties (for personal sanitation uses)	
	Washcloth and towel	
	Towelettes, soap, hand sanitizer	
	Tooth paste, toothbrushes	
	Shampoo, comb, and brush	
	Deodorants, sunscreen	
	Razor, shaving cream	
	Lip balm, insect repellent	
	Medium-sized plastic bucket with tight lid	
	Disinfectant and household chlorine bleach	
	A small shovel for digging a latrine	
	Contact lens solutions	
П	Mirror	

The lack of sanitation facilities following major earthquakes can quickly create secondary problems unless basic guidelines are followed.

If water lines are damaged or suspected, do not flush the toilet. Avoid digging holes in the ground and using these. Untreated raw sewage can pollute fresh ground water supplies. It also attracts flies and promotes the spread of diseases.

- Store a large supply of heavy-duty plastic bags, twist ties, disinfectant, and toilet paper
- A good disinfectant that is easy to use is a solution of 1 part liquid bleach to 10 parts water. Dry bleach is caustic and not safe for this type of use.
- If the toilet is NOT able to be flushed, it can still be used. This is less stressful for most people than using some other container. Remove all the bowl water. Line it with a heavy-duty plastic bag. When finished, add a small amount of deodorant or disinfectant, securely tie the bag, and dispose of it in a large trash can with a tight fitting lid. This large trash should also be lined with a sturdy trash bag. Eventually, the city will provide a means to dispose of these bags.
- Portable camp toilets, small trash cans or sturdy buckets lined with heavy-duty plastic bags can also be used. Those with tight fitting lids are best.

The following links will provide you with a supply list of sanitation and hygiene products to have on hand as well as additional instructions for emergency sewage disposal. We recommend you print these pages and keep them in your Family Disaster Plan Notebook for handy reference during an emergency.

# FIRST 3 MONTHS



Store pre-packaged foods that are easy to prepare.
These should be foods that your family eats on a regular basis.
Each time you shop, simply buy 1 or 2 extra to store.



Water Purification Methods







Water Supply 1 gallon per person per day

# ONE YEAR



Store dry goods that will last. These will sustain your family during an emergency.

### The following suggested amounts are for one adult:

Quantity for One Month	Recommended Products	Long-Term Storage Life
11.5 kg./ 25 lbs	Wheat, white rice, corn, and other grains	30+ years
2.5 kg. / 5 lbs	Dry beans	30+ years

### Storage life can be significantly impacted by the following conditions:

- Temperature: Store products at a temperature of 75°F/24°C or lower whenever possible. If storage temperatures are higher, rotate products as needed to maintain quality.
- Moisture: Keep storage areas dry. It is best to keep containers off of the floor to allow for air circulation.
- Light: Protect cooking oil and products stored in PETE ((polyethylene terephthalate) plastic with oxygen absorbers bottles from light.
- Insects and rodents: Protect products stored in foil pouches and PETE bottles from rodent and insect damage.

#### **Rolled Oats**

- Uses Breakfasts, granola, cookies, filler in meat loafs or casseroles, thickener for soups/stews.
- Types Quick rolled oats or regular rolled oats. Quick oats cook faster but regular oats retain flavor and nutrition better.
- Storage If unopened, optimum shelf life is up to 30 years. If opened should be used within 1 year. Recommend storing large amounts in an airtight plastic container and pulling out a smaller amount every few months for your actual usage/rotation.

#### Wheat

- Uses Wheat grass, appetizers, desserts, breakfast cereals, crackers, brownies, tortillas, breads, pancakes, muffins, cakes, snacks, in salads, to make vegetarian meat/protein, and any other baking item you would use flour for.
- Types Spring or winter, hard or soft, red or white. Hard varieties have higher gluten (protein) and are better for making breads. Soft varieties have lower protein and nutrients but are better for pastries, pastas, and breakfast cereals. Red wheats are typically hard and whites are typically soft. However if you prefer the flavor of one over the other you can find soft red and hard white. Experiment with different varieties in your recipes to find out what works best for you.
- Storage If unopened, optimum shelf life is 30+ years or more. If opened will last about 3 years. However, once ground into flour, wheat loses most of its nutrients within a few days so only grind small amounts at a time. You can add oxygen absorbers, bay leaves, or dry ice to help keep critters out of your wheat.

# Spaghetti or Macaroni

- Uses As a main course, in casseroles, in soups.
- Types You can store any type of pasta you like to use, the main ones sold in bulk are macaroni and spaghetti so they are convenient for long-term storage.
- Storage If unopened, optimum shelf life is 30 years. If opened will last about 2 years. If you buy it in plastic bags we recommend transferring your pasta to airtight plastic containers for better storage.

### **Enriched White Flour**

- Uses Cakes, biscuits, pie crusts, pastries, gravy, thickener, puddings.
- Types Bleached or unbleached. Both have had their bran and germ portions removed and are "enriched" by adding back some of the lost nutrients. Bleached has been treated with chlorine, while unbleached is aged and bleached naturally by oxygen in the air.
- Storage If unopened, optimum shelf life is 10 years. If opened will last about 6-8 months.

### **Enriched White Rice**

- Uses Rice pudding, cereal, casseroles, side dishes.
- Types Bleached or unbleached. Both have had their bran and germ portions removed and are "enriched" by adding back some of the lost nutrients. Bleached has been chemically bleached while unbleached goes through a natural bleaching process.
- Storage If unopened, optimum shelf life is 30 years. If opened will last indefinitely.