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National Woman's Missionary Union is sending more than \$37,000 in water purification equipment to Indonesia through an effort called "Pure Water, Pure Love."

In 2004, Texas Baptists donated about \$44,000 to Pure Water, Pure Love through 118 gifts.

The shipment of personal water cleaning equipment, which will be delivered by volunteers and disaster relief teams, depletes WMU's supply of water filters.

But Christine Hockin-Boyd, who encourages mission involvement through Woman's Missionary Union of Texas, said the South Asia tsunamis present a unique chance to share the gospel.

"First, it is overwhelming the opportunity to meet the physical needs—the food, the water," she said. "We can show we care. Secondly, we can share why we are there."

Hockin-Boyd also noted the relief effort provides an occasion for Texas Baptists to learn more about mission needs in South Asia. ☐☐Christians can study the religious makeup of the region and examine ways they can share

the gospel in that part of the world, Hockin-Boyd added.

Donations also can be given to help Baptist women's groups in South Asia through WMU's Humanitarian Emergency Aid for Rebuilding Tomorrow Fund.

Gifts can be made online at www.wmufoundation.com or by sending checks payable to WMU to WMU Foundation, HEART Fund-Tsunami Response, P.O. Box 11346, Birmingham, Ala. 35202-1346. More than \$20,000 already has been collected.

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