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## **Contact Us!**

Don't forget to call or write to us at least once a month. We welcome more if you have time!

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We have a whole area dedicated to our International Global Shortwave Club members. You can also find our current frequencies and times!

Current Radio Schedule WWCR Worldwide Christian Radio

Monday through Friday 5.890 - 0300 UTC 7.520 - 0000 UTC

> Saturday 4.840 – 0200 UTC

Sunday 9.350 - 2100 UTC

# INTERNATIONAL GLOBAL SHORTWAVE CLUB

November 1, 2024

Dear Global Shortwave Club member:

I thought it would be interesting to discuss Emergency Preparedness. If COVID-19 has taught us anything, governments worldwide have no problem forcing their citizens to stay home. My general physician said that no one received a diagnosis of the flu that year, and the reason was due to government funding for COVID-19 diagnosis.

Whether you agree with their decision or not, the result closed many restaurants that could not recover and left many items missing from grocery store shelves. Many companies could not produce food or products because the government forced employees to stay home if they tested positive for COVID-19.

Many scenarios can disrupt our food and water supply. In September 2024, hurricane Helene moved through Florida, Georgia, Alabama, Tennessee, and several other states, leaving in its wake severe destruction. Asheville, North Carolina, became isolated after Helene wrecked roads and knocked out power and cell service.

Being prepared in some measure would benefit us in these rare but serious events. Clean, drinkable water is one of the most important supplies because although humans can live for weeks without food, our shelf-life is limited to days or possibly hours, depending on the heat index without water.

A general guide is to have two gallons of water per person daily for consumption only. A quick and easy way to store water is to buy distilled water at the grocery store, preferably before a disaster. Distilled water can last up to five years if kept in a cool, dry place and out of sunlight.

Distilled water is purified to remove [contaminants] and minerals like sodium, magnesium, and calcium. Although drinking water with these minerals is best, it is an excellent short-term alternative.

Of course, be sure to have fresh batteries for your radio so you can follow the news and learn how whatever storm you face will affect you and those around you.

Good listening!

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