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PHILIPPINES FACE AFTERMATH OF SUPER TYPHOON HAIYAN

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"Amazing news coming out of the IDF field hospital," Israeli Defense Force spokesperson Peter Lerner said via Twitter. "First baby delivered. The thankful mom named him 'Israel.'"

IDF physicians delivered baby Israel five

days after Typhoon Haiyan decimated his birthplace: Tacloban, Philippines. What was a city of approximately 200,000 people is now wreckage-strewn marshland.

Baby Israel's success story is one of many, as organizations like the IDF continue to erect field hospitals in the aftermath of the devastation.

Israel is one of numerous countries, including the U.S., who are scrambling to reach Haiyan's victims.

Typhoon Haiyan made landfall on Nov. 8 as a category 5 storm. Measuring over 300 miles in diameter with sustained winds over 200 mph, Haiyan is possibly the largest storm ever measured.

The death toll is currently estimated to be slightly over 4,000, a number that is expected to rise due to food and clean water shortage. Looting and violence abound in the chaos left in the wake of the storm.

"The immediate effect of a storm like

this is the loss of first responders," said Gregory Gampfer, a Hurricane Katrina survivor, in an email interview with The Guilfordian. "Whenever destruction affects the infrastructure as well as first responders, the situation is at its worst."

"Haiyan mirrors Katrina in so many ways, most viscerally to me being the storm surge," Gampfer said.

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