But I shall sing of your strength,  
Extol your mercy at dawn,  
For you are my fortress,  
My refuge in time of trouble.  

PSALM 59:17

GRACIOUS GOD, WE PRAY FOR ALL THOSE SUFFERING FROM THE RAVAGES OF NATURAL DISASTERS.

Grant them encouragement, strength, fortitude, patience and insight as they struggle with their many losses—material, physical, emotional, and personal—and begin to pick up the pieces and create a new future for themselves, their families, and their community. Be for them a beacon of unwavering hope and confidence that there can and will be a better day. Surround them with your love and the love and compassion of others that they might be sustained in this time of trouble. We ask this through the intercession of Our Lady of Lourdes and in the name of your Son, Jesus and the Holy Spirit, now and forever. AMEN.