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Please pray for those who have lost loved ones and homes and now live in uncertainty. Pray for those who are beginning the recovery process and for those who walk with them in relief efforts.

Prayer: God of all Creation, you are our Refuge. We cry out to you in the midst of hurricanes that disrupt and destroy people's lives and livelihoods. Keep safe our sisters and brothers in Haiti, the Dominican Republic, Jamaica, Cuba, and the U.S. on the Gulf Coast from Florida to Texas. Be present with those whose loved ones have died. Quiet the fears and strengthen the survivors who experience on-going uncertainty about the next storm and the despair of loss. Empower us to serve as your hands of hope through gifts of money, time and prayer. Trusting in your steadfast love, O God, we pray. Amen.

Thank you for your prayers and offerings.

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