

**basket
of
prayers + concerns + joys**

Hurricane Harvey + tropical storm devastation in Texas

Please keep all the people who have suffered loss from this horrific natural disaster - and who are now facing toxic pollutants in the air and water - in your prayers. We pray and give our thanks for all the search and rescue teams, ordinary citizens stepping forward to help neighbor and stranger, FEMA and the Red Cross, food and water providers, animal rescuers including cattle herders via copter, and all the mayors, leaders, and untold others from near and far who have joined in showing unrestrained and non-discriminatory compassion for all in need. May all those who face healing, rebuilding and/or relocating be encouraged and strengthened by God's resurrecting love as we pray for and contribute to their wellbeing as they begin putting their lives back together.

The threat of Hurricane Irma

Please keep in your prayers the situation with this hurricane that continues to gain tremendous force, wielding its way to its predicted point of landfall and/or its turning back out to sea. Our prayers go out for all those who may be in harms way in need of higher ground, safe shelter, and life-sustaining assistance.

We lift up all the prayers that are not printed on this page, but weigh heavy upon our hearts: Prayers for healing of body, mind, and spirit - Prayers for all who dream of justice, equal opportunity and dignity in life - Prayers that we will be faithful witnesses in word and deed of the fullness of God's love.



*Lord, in Your mercy, hear our prayers.
We trust in Your eternal love and saving grace
that brings resilience of spirit,
comfort of soul,
and assurance in life and in death.
In Jesus' name we pray, Amen.*