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MESSAGE

A Call to Prayer for the People of Hawaii

Dear brothers and sisters in Christ,

I invite all of you to join me in prayer for our brothers and sisters in Hawaii who are suffering from the devastating effects of severe, back-to-back storms and the worst flooding the islands have experienced in over two decades.

Thousands of residents in Oahu and Maui have endured significant loss—homes damaged, communities disrupted, and families displaced by catastrophic flooding. The situation remains critical; with the threat of further danger should an aging dam give way. Authorities have already estimated damages to reach over one billion dollars.

Hawaii holds a special place in our hearts. Many among us have family members, friends, and loved ones who live, study, or have made their home there. The bonds between our communities run deep, spanning generations and shared experiences.

In this time of trial, let us lift up in prayer all who are affected—especially the elderly, the sick, the poor, and the most vulnerable. Beyond the visible destruction, there is also a heavy emotional and spiritual burden: the fear of danger, the trauma of evacuation, and the sorrow of losing what has been cherished. These are experiences we in the Marianas understand well.

Let us ask the Lord to grant them protection, strength, and hope. May He provide the help they need through the generosity and compassion of others.

We also commend to God the men and women of the National Guard, government agencies, and emergency responders. May the Lord sustain them in their vital work of rescue, relief, and recovery.

Santa Marian Kamalen, pray for the people of Hawaii.

With you in prayer,

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