

Prayer in the time of storm

“Typhoon Soudelor”

The eyes of all look to You, O God, our Rock and our salvation, and our hearts as well, turn to you in sorrow and shock as we bear witness to the suffering of your peoples in the Pacific and Asia, battered by storm and sea as Typhoon Soudelor passes over, leaving devastation in its wake.

We pray for your wounded people, as their eyes look to You that they may in the hard days to come, courage to face enormous challenges, relief and respite from urgent need in the outpouring of care as the world responds comfort and the hope of peace for those who grieve the loss of family, home, and safety, and faith to walk on through this valley of shadows.

May we, who watch, and pray, and respond,
see in their faces, Your face.

May we not turn away from suffering,

nor forget their needs when the seasons turn

May we be steadfast in Love, stronger than death,
and thus, with those whose lives we seek to sustain,
together bear witness to Your redeeming Love.

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