

Recent Statistics:

Thailand - flooding 2011

- 22 of 77 provinces affected
- 562 fatalities
- \$5.1 billion in damage so far

What You Can Do:

Pick up your votive candle from CCF Wednesday morning and at Cafe on Tuesday night. Write the name of a place that has been affected by a natural disaster and carry it around for the day. Facebook status: post a link to an article about a recent natural disaster, or post a link to one of the disaster relief organizations listed below

Learn More:

<http://www.redcross.org/>

<http://www.unicef.org/>

<http://www.habitat.org/>

<http://www.americares.org/>

<http://www.samaritanspurse.org/>

Daily Focuses:

Monday | HIV/AIDS

Tuesday | Child Exploitation

Wednesday | Natural Disasters

Thursday | Slums

Friday | Refugees



We know that in everything God works for the good of those who love Him. They are the people he called, because that was his plan. -Romans 8:28

When terrible things happen, sometimes it causes us to question where God is and why he would allow things like this to occur. In much the same way that God gives us the freedom to choose between right and wrong, God allows the earth to reflect the consequences sin has had on creation. So, our question should not be, "Where is God?" but rather "How is God working through this situation?" Even in the darkest times, God's heart can be found, reflected in people who feel compassion for those in need and have a desire to do something about it. Everyone can find hope in God, and through trusting Him, we can find peace in the fact that out of God's unfailing love and desire for the well-being of his children good can prevail.

From the hymn *In Christ Alone* by Stuart Townend & Keith Getty
*In Christ alone my hope is found, He is my light, my strength, my song
This Cornerstone, this solid ground, Firm through the fiercest drought and storm*

What heights of love, what depths of peace, When fears are stilled, when strivings cease

*My Comforter, my All in All, Here in the love of Christ I stand
No guilt in life, no fear in death, This is the power of Christ in me
From life's first cry to final breath, Jesus commands my destiny
No power of hell, no scheme of man, Can ever pluck me from His hand
'Till He returns or calls me home, Here in the power of Christ I'll stand*

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