Fueled by dry vegetation and lightning strikes, California has seen 367 wildfires over the past week, with two of them becoming some of the largest fires in state history. Hundreds of thousands of people are under evacuation orders and seven people have lost their lives. In total, over one million acres have burned and over 1,000 homes have been destroyed, with another 103,000 homes threatened.

Lutheran Disaster Response is actively engaged with Lutheran Social Services of Southern California and three California synods (Pacifica, Sierra Pacific, and Southwest California) to assess the situation and anticipated needs in the affected communities. We expect immediate needs to be food and other supplies, as well as emotional and spiritual care for those impacted by the wildfires.

Pray
Let us pray for the people who have been affected by the wildfires in California. May God’s healing presence give them peace and hope in their time of need.

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