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| |  | | --- | | Please pray for these courageous men and women who put their lives on the line to stop these dangerous and destructive fires. God bless them all and those affected by these fires.  *“Comfort, comfort my people, says your God.*” (Isaiah‬ | |