Dearest Precious Countrymen 7-13-13

If I were to write a letter from my heart I would be sending you endless pages of prayers and copied scriptures, in hopes of reminding you of Gods awesome providence. He knows all, sees all + in spite of our never understanding His ways + what He allows to happen - He is always with us, always faithful, always good + always the only one we should turn to for help, wisdom, mercy, strength, guidance; for He is the only one who can not only change our circumstances, He can change our hearts + heal us.

I am so very sorry for all your losses. My heart breaks with each of yours. It is a tremendous wound multiplied beyond comprehension. I can only send my prayers for your city, for your department, for the families. I pray your entire city reaches out, one to another and becomes the extended family each of you will need to survive. Beyond the comraderie you had before - I pray your hurting families will unite in such a way as to be role models for a godless country who ignores Gods wisdom + ways. It is only with the knowledge, belief + blessings of God that we can survive such horrific tragedy. May each of you find His knowledge, His wisdom, His grace, His strength, His love, His protection, His blessings. May something beautiful + unique come out of all of this loss. Your fathers, brothers + sons can never be forgotten or replaced, but their memory + sacrifice can inspire greatness if we seek God and ask: Lord, what would you have me do now, how do we honor you + remember your fallen angels?

While away for the weekend in Ellenville NY, I saw this marquis & was so touched. I was unaware that probably like 9-11, there were countless similar sites all over our country. But I wanted to send this anyway.

Our friends live up on the ranch in prescott & no doubtedly we will visit again. I am hoping to hear remarkable stories of your town as your neighbors pull together to heal & support those hurting families. You are in my prayers. Our country is declining & evil is winning - I pray you use the power of God to stand up for Him & help each other & make such a name for yourselves that the whole country will notice that: "God does exist, make a difference & heal families & towns."

I probably sound like a crazy lady - but I long to see our fellowman turn around & honor God & see His blessings on our country once again.

May He hold you & keep you safe
give your wisdom,
courage & strength
May You feel His prescence &
comfort - love

Karen Pennisi

The spared member of the elite Granite Mountain Hotshots crew, whose name has not yet been released, was said to be distraught and feeling guilty that he was alive and his 19 brothers were dead.

"We are devastated," a shaken Prescott Fire Chief Dan Fraijo said. "We just lost 19 of the finest people you will ever meet. We're going through a terrible crisis right now."

Arizona Gov. Jan Brewer called the tragedy – the deadliest single day any U.S. fire department has suffered since the FDNY lost 343 firefighters on 9/11 – "as dark a day as I can re-