Thought for the day – Wednesday 10th November 2021 By Revd John Marshall

Rage and Hope yet again 6

I have returned to Christian Aid's prayers of Rage and Hope.

This is from Moises Gonzalez the head of Christian Aid's Latin American and the Caribbean Regional Programme. He lives in Nicaragua.

Resolve to repent

God of Creation

We cry to you from the depths
of creation's destruction
how long will rivers and lakes
be contaminated?

How long will forests be destroyed
jeopardising the lives of indigenous
Afro and peasant families
who need these resources of your creation
to enjoy a dignified life?

God of creation, hear our voice.

God of Justice
We cry to you from the depths
of injustice and abuse.
How long will we be afraid
to denounce the activities
which weigh most heavily
on families and communities

who are destitute or poor?

How long will our silence
put countless virtuous lives at risk;
our brothers and sisters
whom you call us to care for and protect?

God of justice, hear our voice.

God of Life,
We cry to you from the depths
of inhumanity and neglect.
How long will a lack of solidarity
and absence of compassion
bring pain to those who suffer
hunger, disease, abandoned and
loss of their rights and freedom?
Forgive our selfishness and insensitivity
that cause sadness and anguish
in many families and communities.

God of life, hear our voice.

- Prayers of Rage and Hope celebrating 75 years of Christian Aid.