

A photograph showing a woman in a light blue shirt and patterned skirt holding a young child in a white tank top. They are standing in a muddy, debris-strewn area with damaged buildings and structures in the background. Other people are visible in the background, some sitting on the ground. The scene depicts the aftermath of a major disaster.

Today in History

November 8, 2013

▲ **Typhoon Haiyan, one of the strongest storms ever to make landfall, smashed into the central Philippines, killing over 6,000 and destroying the city of Tacloban**

1674: English poet John Milton, author of *Paradise Lost*, died

1895: William Roentgen accidentally discovered X-rays

1974: Covent Garden, London's famous flower and vegetable market, was relocated to a different site

2004: U.S. and Iraqi troops seized strategic sites in Fallujah after U.S. intelligence claimed that Abu Musab al-Zarqawi, leader of Al Qaeda in Iraq, was in the rebel-held city