

# PRAYER GUIDE

November – December 2019

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## November

### 11 India

Maya\* runs a house church. Extremists have threatened to kill her son. Pray for the family's protection and courage.

### 12 Nepal

Believers are being reported for their faith and falsely accused of crimes. Pray that Christians will not be afraid but bold in the Lord.

### 13 Iran

Pray that Christians will find good opportunities for fellowship and encouragement despite restrictions on faith.

### 14 Tunisia

After Raba\* became a Christian, her husband divorced her. Pray that God will comfort and build her up as a faithful servant.

### 15 Libya

Pray for an end to the war. Pray that the church will be known as a place and a people of peace through Jesus Christ.

### 16 China

Pray that God would raise up faithful youth leaders despite the risks they face in sharing the gospel with young people.

### 17 Myanmar (Sunday Prayer)

Pray that as our local partners run discipleship training they will have good health, wisdom and humility as they serve. Pray that those attending will be encouraged.

### 18 Central Asia

Anastasia\* leads a house church. Pray that her work for the Lord will bear much fruit.

### 19 Kazakhstan

Police raided a house church and members were interrogated and fined. Pray for the Lord's provision.

### 20 Uzbekistan

Oleg\* leads a church of believers from a Muslim background. Pray that he will disciple these believers wisely.

### 21 Maldives

Pray that believers will have spiritual maturity to accept one another's differences and find strength in unity.

### 22 Indonesia

Pray the leaders elected this year will protect religious freedom and minorities, including Christians.

### 23 Bhutan

In a culture where relationships are often broken, pray that Christian marriages will stand out and be healthy and faithful.

### 24 Kenya (Sunday Prayer)

When Zubeda\* and her mother turned to Christ, her father disowned them. Praise God for their faithfulness. Pray that the Lord will use their testimony to reach others.

### 25 Laos

Christians in remote villages are often targeted by local authorities. Pray they will be salt and light in their communities.

### 26 North Korea

Pray for the safety of secret believers who must keep their faith secret and risk everything to follow Jesus.

### 27 Burkina Faso

Islamic extremism is increasing. Pray for God's comfort upon those who have lost loved ones in attacks.

### 28 Arabian Peninsula

Pray that believers imprisoned because of their faith will witness God's goodness to those around them.

### 29 Lebanon

As the refugee population grows, many are growing resentful. Pray that Jesus would transform bitter hearts.

### 30 Algeria

Pray that pastors and leaders will effectively reach out to isolated believers to provide them with encouragement.

# December

## 01 Central Asia (Sunday Prayer)

Ludmilla's\* parents often beat her because of her new faith in Jesus. Pray for her protection, that God will soften her parents' hearts towards Him, and that her young faith will continue to grow.

## 02 Bangladesh

Pray training that prepares Christians for persecution will be effective and help believers stand firm in their faith.

## 03 Brunei

Christians in Brunei are not allowed to share the gospel. Pray that many will come to faith despite these restrictions.

## 04 Sri Lanka

Many affected by the Easter Sunday bombings are still undergoing treatment. Please pray for their complete healing.

## 05 Vietnam

Praise God for those who travel to remote villages to encourage isolated believers. Pray for safety as they travel.

## 06 Chad

Ousmane\* is the only Christian in his family. Pray that his wife and children will come to know Jesus.

## 07 Philippines

Pray that the couples who attended a marriage enrichment seminar will be a blessing and witness to those around them.

## 08 Iran (Sunday Prayer)

Many people come to know Jesus when they study or work in other countries. Pray these believers will be built up and have a strong faith that will not be shaken even when they return to a country and family who oppose Christianity.

## 09 India

Pray for women who are persecuted by their husbands, and often kicked out of their homes. Pray God will provide for them.

## 10 Nepal

Pray that a recent family seminar will help families know how to care for each other in a way that reflects Jesus.

## 11 Palestinian Territories

Many leave this region because of a lack of community. Pray that Christians can stay and share the gospel.

## 12 Iraq

Pray that the church will make a difference in society and be a clear testament to God's love, peace and grace.

## 13 Syria

Pray that Jesus will grow the body of Christ in Syria and replace the darkness of hatred with the light of His love.

## 14 Mauritania

Christians are often pressured to return to Islam by their families. Pray that they will stand steadfast in faith.

## 15 Yemen (Sunday Prayer)

The war means that believers face restrictions in their daily lives. Authorities are suspicious of any group that meets together. Pray God will bring peace, and that Christians will be able to access food and healthcare.

## 16 Tunisia

Pray that two women who recently came to Christ will grow in their knowledge and love of God and seek to share Him.

## 17 Libya

Mahmoud\* is the only believer in his family. Pray for wisdom as he shares his faith while still living with them.

## 18 Morocco

Believers in Morocco are scattered across the country. Pray for opportunities for fellowship and encouragement.

## 19 China

Jiajia's\* relatives broke her thumb when she refused to bow to Buddhist idols. Pray for her healing and continued witness to her family.

## 20 Bhutan

Praise God for literacy classes that teach people to read the Bible. Pray that these classes will bring more people to the Word of God.

## 21 Laos

False teaching is a struggle for the church in Laos. Pray that mature leaders will disciple believers faithfully.

## 22 Ivory Coast (Sunday Prayer)

When Kadiatou's\* husband discovered her faith in Jesus, he threatened her and then divorced her. Pray that her church would have wisdom in how to help and that she would experience the Lord's provision in all her needs.

## 23 North Korea

Many North Korean women are trafficked into China. Pray that our partners can care for these women.

## 24 Burkina Faso

As Christians face increasing hostility for their faith, pray they would continue sharing the gospel wisely.

## 25 Christmas Day

"To us a child is born, to us a son is given." (Isaiah 9:6)  
Praise God for the birth of Jesus, our Mighty God and Prince of Peace.

## 26 Lebanon

Praise God for Christian radio and TV programs which bring the gospel into homes. Pray that many hear the message.

## 27 Algeria

Pray the Algerian church will be unashamed of the gospel amidst mounting social and political pressure.

## 28 Arabian Peninsula

Pray that those leading ministries will be rooted in God's Word and characterised by humility in service.

## 29 India (Sunday Prayer)

A group of believers were blamed for converting other members of the village to Christianity and fined hundreds of thousands of rupees. Praise God for their courageous witness and pray for the Lord's provision and protection.

## 30 Syria

Pray that those who work with children will be strengthened in service and wise in teaching them about Christian life.

## 31 Nepal

Pray that Bibles distributed by our partners will reach believers who are most in need of support and encouragement.

# January

## 01 New Year

Pray that all our staff will be faithful as we serve the persecuted church in 2020 and that the local church will seek to connect deeply with their persecuted brothers and sisters.

## 02 Uzbekistan

Pray that God will grant believers strength and courage as they face increasing surveillance and interrogations.

## 03 Maldives

There is no complete Bible for believers in their native language. Pray that one would be written and available for Christians.

## 04 Indonesia

When Dina\* and her husband came to faith, their son rejected them. Pray that he will come to know Jesus.

## 05 North Korea (Sunday Prayer)

Yong-Du\* owns a small farm which has been hit hard by the water shortage. Pray that he and other farmers will be able to complete their rice planting for the season and that the famine won't become more severe.

## 06 Myanmar

Pray for those affected by monsoons, especially those who lost their homes and can't easily access food or clean water.

## 07 Central Asia

Sara\* came to faith when recovering from alcohol addiction. Pray she will be a great witness to others experiencing addiction.

## 08 Gulf Region

Pray that people will be restored from despair and find healing by engaging with the local church.

## 09 Laos

Pray for more workers to disciple and strengthen new believers from tribal backgrounds in their faith.

## 10 Bhutan

The church in Bhutan is divided by denominationalism. Pray that leaders will come together in unity.

## 11 Sri Lanka

Pastor Deva\* was beaten after attending a church meeting. Pray that God will strengthen his body, heart and spirit.

## 12 Libya (Sunday Prayer)

Years of power struggles have taken many lives and contributed to an atmosphere of hopelessness. Christians are particularly vulnerable. Pray for peace and stability, and that Christians would fix their eyes and hearts on biblical hope.

## 13 Morocco

Iban\* is currently facing health issues. Pray that his church will support him physically and emotionally.

## 14 Syria

Pray that those who serve others in need will be reinvigorated in their service and faithfully share the gospel.

## 15 Nepal

Pray that projects run by our local partners will help persecuted believers earn an income and impact communities.

## 16 World Watch List

The 2020 World Watch List is being released today. Pray that believers in the 50 most dangerous countries to follow Jesus will stand firm in their faith, no matter the cost.

## 17 Kazakhstan

Pray that house churches will courageously continue to meet together despite the risks and restrictions.

## 18 Malaysia

Pray that believers will engage and share the gospel with their Muslim friends, families and neighbours.

### **19 China (Sunday Prayer)**

Increased surveillance cameras and facial recognition technology makes it risky for the church to gather. Pray that our local partners will find effective ways to encourage Christians without putting them in undue danger.

### **20 Bangladesh**

Philip works as a doctor in his rural village. Pray that he will use his work as a chance to share Jesus.

### **21 Nigeria**

Pray for Ijanda\* as she seeks to heal from her trauma of being kidnapped and raises her two children in a godly way.

### **22 Egypt**

Marqos\* father was killed for his faith. Pray that Marqos would continually rely on God as he seeks to provide for his family.