

PRAYER GUIDE

July – August 2019

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01 Syria

In major cities in Syria, many children live on the streets. Pray for their safety and that they come to experience the love of God.

02 Syria

Pray the church in Syria will be a light to the nations and believers will boldly share the gospel, even with persecutors.

03 Iran

The worsening economic situation in Iran is causing great hardship. Pray for Christians who are finding it hard to meet basic needs.

04 Iran

Earlier this year, thousands were affected by floods in Iran. Pray for those who lost homes and sources of income.

05 Iraq

Many Christians face the daunting task of rebuilding homes and churches. Pray that believers find hope and courage to stay in the country and the church remains a light in their community.

06 Arabian Peninsula

Pray Christians learn how to share their testimony so they can encourage one another in their faith and share what God has done in their lives.

07 Arabian Peninsula (Sunday Prayer)

Many Christians live in isolated parts of the Arabian Peninsula which can leave them feeling disconnected and alone in their faith. Pray they can find fellowship and connect with Christians online. Pray also for those who gather together regularly to fast and pray for their nation.

08 Persian Speaking World

There is a conference taking place for widows in a secret location. Since we can't disclose any information, pray as the Holy Spirit guides you.

09 Yemen

Children in Yemen don't have access to children's Bibles or study materials. Pray parents will be able to share Bible stories with their children.

10 Yemen

Without religious freedom, parents must teach their children to be careful when talking about God. Pray for discernment, wisdom and courage.

11 Israel and Palestine

Pastors are constantly under pressure. Pray God refreshes them, comforts them and meets their needs as they continue to share the gospel.

12 Israel and Palestine

Pray for a group of young families who the ministry has organised to bring to an overseas conference where they can meet fellow believers and be encouraged in their faith.

13 Saudi Arabia

A Christian man has been in prison for a number of years. Pray God will keep him physically and spiritually safe.

14 India (Sunday Prayer)

Pastor Neelesh* lives in a Buddhist majority area of India. His young son was killed by Buddhist extremists, his house was burned down, and every year his community destroys his crops. And yet, he is able to say, "I have made up my mind now. I will live for Christ and if He wants, I will die for Him. Because what I lose for Him, I will actually gain in the end."

15 Lebanon

In many towns, refugees outnumber the local population. Pray the church plays a role in helping people live peacefully.

16 China

Pray for the many Christians in north-west China from Muslim backgrounds who face racial and religious discrimination.

17 China

Abdul* is a Christian from a Muslim background who isn't allowed to renew his rental contract. Abdul asked us to pray he finds a new home with a kind landlord.

18 India

Pray God will continue to work and strengthen the church through the persecution preparation training we run through our local partners in India.

19 Indonesia

Pray that Muslims will encounter Jesus when they gather together one month after Ramadan.

20 Malaysia

“This training really helps us to live among the Muslims.” Pray we can continue to strengthen and train the church in Muslim majority nations.

21 Vietnam (Sunday Prayer)

Praise God Anh* attended persecution preparation training and was able to respond well when authorities raided her Bible study. “That’s why we were able to respond with kindness when the government officials came and persecuted us. I was even able to share about the gospel to them.”

22 Saudi Arabia

Pray God will use the current pressure on the Saudi Government to release imprisoned human rights activists and Christians.

23 Brunei

“The camp has helped me to be braver,” said one young believer. Pray we can continue to run youth camps that strengthen young Christians.

24 Bangladesh

“Pray I could stand strong in my faith in Jesus until I die,” said a local believer. Pray the persecution preparation training we run will strengthen the church in Bangladesh.

25 India

Beena’s* husband miraculously survived when their Hindu neighbours tried to drown him for becoming a Christian. Pray for the family to be united soon and praise God we could practically support them.

26 Vietnam

We gave Pastor Anya* medical training to care for his community. Pray for many opportunities to share Jesus with non-Christians in his village.

27 Maldives

“There is no hope for my country unless the Bible is translated,” said a local Christian. Pray the Bible will be fully translated into the local language.

28 Brunei (Sunday Prayer)

Sharia (Islamic) law has been fully implemented in Brunei. This allows adulterers to be stoned to death and thieves punished with amputation. Pray the church won’t be afraid, but will continue sharing the gospel and that their sultan will come to know Jesus.

29 Southern Philippines

Cita* recently became a Christian, but her husband doesn’t approve. Pray Cita’s family will also come to know Jesus.

30 Myanmar

Pray young people in Myanmar affected by drug and alcohol abuse find freedom and have their needs met in Jesus.

31 Myanmar

Leaders gatherings bring together pastors and church leaders from different denominations. Pray for unity across the church in Myanmar.

August

01 Sri Lanka

Pray for protection and safety for pastors and their families who are serving in areas of intense persecution. May the Holy Spirit bring them peace.

02 Sri Lanka

Pray for the income generation projects our local partners run in Sri Lanka. May they be a blessing for many families and churches.

03 North Korea

Hannah* is a Christian who escaped from North Korea. She asks for us to pray for her son, who still lives there, and that they will be reunited soon.

04 North Korea (Sunday Prayer)

“We don’t get any food rations. The situation of the powerless North Korean citizens is getting worse.” – North Korean Christian.

Praise God that our local partners are able to smuggle food into North Korea. Pray God provides for the needs of our brothers and sisters.

05 Ethiopia

Abeba* had to flee her home when she became a Christian at 15-years-old. Praise God that we were able to help her start a business.

06 Ethiopia

In February, a Muslim mob attacked many churches and believers in Alaba. Praise God that we were able to support those affected and help them overcome fear.

07 Nigeria

The court has ordered an investigation into the violence in the Middle Belt of Nigeria. Pray it will bring peace to the region.

08 Nigeria

From January to March 2019, there’s been 168 deaths from Fulani Herdsmen violence. Pray for the Lord’s comfort and intervention.

09 Ethiopia

Guiéman became a Christian in 2018. His Muslim family is pressuring him to deny Jesus. Pray for his faith to be strong.

10 Gambia

Yusupha's Muslim family kicked him out of home. Pray God provides a home for Yusupha, his wife and children and that his persecutors meet Jesus.

11 China (Sunday Prayer)

Ade's* parents have forbidden him to follow Jesus because his brother is studying to be a Buddhist Lama. Pray for wisdom and courage as Ade navigates this difficult situation. Pray also that his family's hearts are softened and that they come to know Jesus.

12 China

Pray for Christians from a Muslim background who are being held in re-education camps. Pray for comfort and courage to share Jesus with others.

13 India

Pray our local partners will continue to be able to run programs for persecuted women that bring healing to those who have experienced terrible trauma.

14 India

Pray for teenager Raj, who became a Christian when his mother was healed of arthritis. Pray for a job to help him care for his family.

15 Bhutan

"There is a price to be paid for following Jesus," said a local Christian. Pray the church in Bhutan is strengthened even in persecution.

16 Bhutan

Pray for Mrs Dolma*, a new believer, that her faith will grow and she will be able to share Jesus with her family.

17 North Korea

Praise God we were able to support a North Korean woman who was trafficked to China. Pray God will help her to grow in her new faith.

18 Tajikistan (Sunday Prayer)

Mariam* was being beaten by her mother and uncles for her faith. Her brothers also came to her church and threatened to kill her for leaving Islam. Pray for Mariam's protection as she remains in hiding and that her family is transformed by the love of God.

19 Tajikistan

Tajik Christians often have their phone calls recorded and most church services are illegal. Pray they continue to share Jesus despite the risk.

20 Russia

Pray for extremists planning ways to persecute the church in Dagestan. Pray God intervenes and softens their hearts with His love.

21 Russia

Pray for young people in Dagestan who are vulnerable of being influenced by the ideology of the Islamic State. Pray they find their purpose and identity in God.

22 Central Asia

Pray for some Christians who were arrested and detained for 15 days for having secret church services. Their families had to pay large fines to free them.

23 Central Asia

"If this is happening to us, we know we are on the right track," said Nadina, who has been persecuted for following Jesus. Pray her faith continues to be strengthened.

24 Tunisia

Pray for Nadia* and Yasmine*, two young Christians who have been searching for a church. Pray they can gather and grow with other believers.

25 Lebanon (Sunday Prayer)

Praise God for the church in Lebanon as they have reached out and supported Iraqi and Syrian refugees, when many others have not. Pray the church continues to be the light of Jesus to those who are hurting and reflects God's love to their nation.

26 Lebanon

Pray for Christian children's camps that are run during the Summer in Lebanon. Pray God uses them to change many young hearts and draw people to Him.

27 Syria

Please pray many people in Syria have a life changing encounter with God as Paul did on the road to Damascus. Praise God that salvation is available to all.

28 Syria

Pray for traumatised, sick and injured Syrians who have been affected by the war. Pray the church continues to be a source of hope.

29 Iraq

Steeped in biblical history, much of civilization and development began in this country. Today we are praying for healing and that the violence and killing in Iraq comes to an end.

30 Algeria

Hannah* left Islam to follow Jesus but struggles to be a Christian in public. Pray she finds fellow believers and can be encouraged in her faith.

31 Tunisia

Many churches in Tunisia are made up of relatively new believers. Pray they can grow and mature in their faith and reach their nation with the gospel.