

PRAYER GUIDE

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FEBRUARY

01 North Korea

Pray for the reunification of North Korea and South Korea so that the secret believers in North Korea can freely and safely worship God without fear.

02 Bangladesh

Natural disasters bring many challenges and hinder the work of local partners in Bangladesh. Pray for God's protection and that all planned activities can proceed.

03 Central Asia

Brother Makin lost his wife, Dilya, and has three daughters aged two, eight and 14. Ask God to comfort the family in their grief and as they continue to face persecution.

04 Brunei

There is a growing desire among Christian youths to have a deeper relationship with the Lord, and they long for guidance. Ask God to raise mentors to nurture this generation.

05 Indonesia

Pray for the leaders of Indonesia. Ask God to guide their decisions, that they will govern with integrity and compassion, and uphold justice and unity.

06 Malaysia

There are many cases of one parent converting a child to a religion without the other parent's consent. Pray for those in power to bring changes to the laws that enable this.

07 Maldives

Courts have the power to demand journalists disclose their sources, putting them at risk. Pray that the media will be able to report the truth without any hindrances.

08 Sri Lanka

In Tamil-majority areas, a Hindu extremist group has been carrying out hate campaigns against Christians over the years. Pray for the safety of Christians in these areas.

09 Iraq

The financial situation in Iraq has been unstable for months. Pray that God will provide for struggling families as they are affected by the high cost of living.

10 Iran

Many Christians are hurting because of the drug addiction of their loved ones. Pray for freedom from addiction and restoration of relationships in Christian communities.

11 Syria

It has been reported that Syria joined the Arab League after years of exclusion. Pray that as there are attempts to revive Syria, the Church will also experience a revival.

12 Yemen

Pray for church leaders attending conferences. Ask God for His peace to cover the seminars and workshops and that the leaders will grow and develop.

13 Saudi Arabia

Saudi society has a lot of mistrust, making it difficult for one believer to connect to another. Pray for authenticity and transparency to break the culture of shame.

14 Algeria

Many believers experience persecution in their daily lives. Pray for opportunities for isolated Christians to connect with other believers.

15 Turkmenistan

Please pray for the Christians and churches in Turkmenistan, as the small Christian community is disunited and weak due to divisions between various denominations.

16 Mexico

There are many indigenous communities, each speaking their own language and having different religions, customs and traditions. Pray for Christians to be a light to them.

17 North Korea

The secret route to distribute materials for believers became limited due to the pandemic. Pray that a way will be found to send in the goods to the secret believers.

18 Middle East and North Africa

Ask God to provide for all the children in the countries in this area. Pray that He will fill them with hope, joy and peace so they can face each day without fear.

19 Eritrea

Imprisonment is becoming more severe and harsh than ever before, with many people being imprisoned. Pray for compassion and mercy in the justice system.

20 Egypt

The younger generation are faced with challenging times economically, politically, and socially. Pray for guidance and assurance of faith for young people.

21 Kenya

Pray for the persecuted Christians and Church in Kenya. Ask God to give them strength in the face of trials and to remain steadfast in their faith in Jesus.

22 Indonesia

There have been instances of Christian students being dragged to mosques and forced to recite the Muslim creed by their peers. Pray for strength against this pressure.

23 Mexico

Delfina Gómez is the first woman to govern the State of Mexico. Pray that God covers her with wisdom to lead the government of this state which has a high number of femicides.

24 Comoros

Pray for the authorities to bring in laws to facilitate the proclamation of the gospel in the whole nation. Pray that these laws will allow Christians to preach without fear.

25 Nicaragua

Ask God to be with the pastors completing their education for ministry support. Pray that they will be well-equipped to serve Jesus in the country.

26 Ethiopia

Pray for God's healing of the physical and psychological suffering the persecuted Church experiences. Pray that those who persecute will come to know Jesus.

27 Myanmar

During times of hardship, pray that believers will be able to live a true Christian life and remain faithful to God. Pray for the safety of those in war zones.

28 Bhutan

The price of rice is soaring and people with low income or no income are suffering, including Christians. Pray that God will make provisions for His people.

29 Nepal

Pray for favour over Christians who are trying to build new churches but keep getting blocked in the process. Pray for breakthrough and for wisdom.

MARCH

01 Indonesia

Many public schools lack teachers for Christianity, which forces Christian pupils to attend Islamic classes. Pray for God's provision of Christian teachers in schools.

02 Sri Lanka

Amila and her two children are the only Christians in their family. Ask God to protect the children when in the care of their grandmother, who disapproves of Christianity.

03 Iraq

Praise God for a good agricultural harvest that will help communities affected by the unstable financial situation. Pray for protection over the farms.

04 Saudi Arabia

Understanding biblical leadership in contrast to Islamic leadership is a challenge. Pray for Saudi churches to have leaders who mimic Christ's leadership.

05 Algeria

Pray for the abolition of laws that regulate and restrict the activities of churches in the country. Pray that closed churches will be able to be reopened.

06 Mexico

Pray that the persecution of Christians in indigenous communities would decrease. Ask God to use their testimonies to bring more indigenous people to Him.

07 North Korea

Yoon-Seo is a member of Open Doors' secret house. Her brother broke his arm, and the medical fee is beyond their means. Pray for his full recovery and God's provision.

08 International Women's Day

Pray for Christian women and girls facing persecution around the world. Ask God to strengthen and empower them to share their faith with those around them.

09 Comoros

Ask God to be with families experiencing pressure because of their faith in Christ. Pray that they remain strong and brave to continue their journey of faith.

10 Sudan

Looting and theft, and physical and psychological abuse are significant issues. Pray for God's protection over the people, particularly children, women and the elderly.

11 Egypt

Pray for Church growth in the slum areas of Egypt. Ask God to send missionaries to unreachable regions, with the faith that God can do the impossible.

12 Vietnam

Ask God to equip and train church leaders. Pray for protection and wisdom for each church leader and that they would see God's miracles in communities across Vietnam.

13 Indonesia

Local staff need to ride motorcycles for one to two hours every day in Jakarta, which has heavy air pollution. Pray for protection over their health.

14 Cameroon

Boko Haram, an Islamic extremist group, has caused Christians to be displaced. Pray that the Lord will strengthen the faith of His people and provide for their basic needs.

15 Democratic Republic of the Congo

Many Christians have experienced trauma. Pray for the healing of our Christian brothers and sisters and that God would protect and provide for them.

16 Brunei

Pray that the eyes of denominational leaders and pastors be opened to understand the importance of unity for advancing the Kingdom of God in this nation.

17 China

Christians in China are feeling growing pressure to deny their faith. Pray that Chinese believers will stay united and faithful in their pursuit of Jesus.

18 Armenia-Azerbaijan

The hatred between Armenia and Azerbaijan is so strong that it has also impacted believers. Pray that God will bring His peace, love, and healing to these nations.

19 Lebanon

Young Christians attended a youth forum in Beirut. Pray that these young people will be strengthened to put all they learned at the forum into practice.

20 Saudi Arabia

Believers need guidance on finding truth-filled resources. Ask the Holy Spirit to direct believers to the right resources to help them grow and become closer to Jesus.

21 Nepal

Dengue and conjunctivitis cases are growing rapidly in all districts, with many Christians suffering. Pray for their complete recovery and protection from severe cases.

22 Myanmar

Pray for wisdom for Christian leaders. Ask God to equip and strengthen them to lead believers in the country to help them remain steadfast in challenging times.

23 Middle East and North Africa

Pray for God to help parents in meeting their children's needs and requirements for school. Ask Him to provide for the families who are struggling.

24 Mexico

Ask God to bring peace to every corner of the country, from the north where organised crime operates, to the south, where customs and traditions oppress Christians.

25 Iran

Established churches are not allowed to let Christians from Muslim backgrounds attend services. Pray that the Church will continue to grow despite the opposition.

26 Maldives

The work being done to tackle the drug issue in the country offers some hope, but there is still a long way to go. Pray for the youth and communities affected by the drug problem.

27 Malaysia

Pray for unity in Malaysia. Ask God to bring all citizens together in mutual respect and love, regardless of race, religion or economic status.

28 Central Asia

Youth camps in Central Asia are some of the only safe places where young people feel accepted as Christians. Praise God for how He uses these camps to encourage them.

29 Good Friday

Thank God for sending His son Jesus to die on the cross for our sin. Pray for persecuted Christians this Easter, that they will be able to worship Jesus safely.

30 Indonesia

Pray for Indonesian Christians suffering for their faith in Jesus. Ask God to surround them with His comforting presence and give them courage to stand firm.

31 Easter Sunday

Praise God that Jesus has risen! Pray for Christians in persecuted countries to have boldness and courage in proclaiming the Good News to their communities.

APRIL

01 Brunei

Youths need a safe space to share with their mentors. Pray that God would open doors for them to have a place where they can come together to develop their faith.

02 Iraq

Insecurity is rising all over Iraq. Pray for stability in the country, particularly for the situation in the Nineveh Plains, where most Christians live.

03 Saudi Arabia

Pray for the emerging Church in Saudi Arabia. Ask God to bring a spirit of connectivity and trust, to develop leaders, and provide discernment for acquisition of resources.

04 Indonesia

Pray for communities of believers in Indonesia. Pray that their lives reflect the love and compassion of Christ, drawing others to Him through their words and actions.

05 Iran

Gulnar Francis-Dehqani is an Iranian-born British Anglican bishop. Pray that God will use her to address the issue of the human rights violations in Iran.

06 Mexico

Pray for the upcoming general elections in Mexico, that the newly elected politicians will lead with wisdom, strength, and moral character to promote things that honour God.

07 Central Asia

Pray for Asel who faces persecution from her family for becoming a Christian, that she will find a permanent, safe place to live and that her heart will be deeply encouraged by Christ and His love.

08 Bhutan

Pray for the health and security of local partners in Bhutan and their families. Ask God to provide all they need to do His good work and to bless their activities.

09 China

Believers are experiencing an increase in surveillance. Pray for courage and resourcefulness as they find ways to continue meeting together.

10 Myanmar

Pray that the Holy Spirit empowers believers through the knowledge of 1 John 4:4. Ask the Lord to heal, nourish, and restore the pastors preaching to believers in Myanmar.

11 Nigeria

Pray that God will continue to fill young Christians with joy and courage as they share their faith. Ask God to grow them in their knowledge and love of Him.

12 Nepal

Open Doors partners are helping persecuted Christians through training and practical aid programs. Pray for wisdom for these partners in reaching persecuted believers.

13 Laos

There are significant risks for our Christian brothers and sisters in proclaiming the gospel. Pray that they will be bold and courageous in sharing Jesus with others.

14 Central Asia

Pray over the education of youth and children. Ask the Lord to provide opportunities for them to continue their education and build more hopeful futures.

15 Indonesia

Ask the Lord to soften the hearts of people in communities across the country. Pray for Muslims and Christians to live together in harmony, and to worship freely.

16 Burkina Faso

In Burkina Faso, many are living in places of suffering and despair. Pray for the Lord to comfort His people in these places and to fill them with hope.

17 Ivory Coast

Militant Islamic groups in sub-Saharan Africa can pose threats to Ivory Coast. Pray that the country will be guarded from these threats and its people will be protected.

18 Algeria

Please pray for the government's attack against the church and Christians to end, allowing Christians to practice their religion freely and live in peace.

19 China

Many pastors are struggling to help those who come to them for pastoral care because of their own hardships. Ask the Lord to heal, nourish, and restore these pastors.

20 Iraq

Over the last two decades, drug addiction has increased among the youth. Pray for the authorities as they take measures to tackle this social problem.

21 Brunei

Pray for the denominational leaders and pastors to have open hearts, recognising the importance of standing together to bring God's Kingdom to the nation.

22 Mexico

Pray for believers who are suffering pressure from their community once again. Ask God to strengthen them in this time of persecution and to provide healing.

23 Iran

Pray for the Christian women in Iran facing persecution. Ask the Lord to protect them from harm, encourage them in their faith, and give them strength in every hardship.

24 North Africa

Pray for the just and fair treatment of every believer in North Africa. Ask God to help each child and adult show mercy to those who persecute them.

25 Central Asia

Pray for the safety of deaf evangelists. It is dangerous work, and they can neither hear nor speak, yet they are passionately sharing the love of Jesus with others.

26 Indonesia

Ask God to bring more people to Him to find salvation. Pray that more believers will come together to form church congregations in communities.

27 Iraq

Suicide cases have been increasing with reasons varying from mental health issues to economic hardship. Pray for community cohesion so that people do not feel abandoned.

28 North Korea

Ask God to bring an end to the violent administration over the people in North Korea and that the atmosphere of war against South Korea will change.

29 Saudi Arabia

Digital resources on the internet are a gift to the underground churches. Pray for new believers to discern which resources are presenting truth and which ones are not.

30 China

In some areas, it is difficult to get hold of a physical Bible. Pray for courage and protection for those distributing God's Word to believers in ethnic minority areas.

MAY

01 Brunei

Pray for Christian communities in Brunei. Pray for a fresh outpouring of the Holy Spirit, igniting a new desire for unity and cooperation among the believers.

02 Iran

Since the pandemic, the four churches that were permitted to preach in Persian have not been allowed to reopen. Pray for God to make a way for these churches to open again.

03 Mexico

Pray that every day there will be more freedom for the persecuted church to proclaim its faith in Mexico. Ask God to bring more people to Him in this country.

04 Middle East and North Africa

Ask the Lord to build up schools to serve as beacons of peace in these countries. Pray that children will be safe to learn, develop, and play in peaceful environments.

05 Iraq

Pray that the government will create inclusive employment opportunities for young men and women, irrespective of their religious backgrounds.

06 China

Several church pastors and workers have been released from prison. Pray that they can adjust to life outside prison and for relationships with loved ones to be restored.

07 Bangladesh

Some adults are participating in advanced literacy training. Pray that through this training they will grow spiritually as well as in their literacy skills.

08 Central Asia

Open Doors partners are reaching out to both Christian and Muslim refugees. Pray for wisdom and protection for partners as they offer practical aid and spiritual support.

09 Indonesia

Christian students are a minority in public schools and often experience discrimination. Pray that they won't stumble in their walk with God and their faith will be strong.

10 Iraq

Many people are unemployed and live in poverty, with Christian communities most affected. Pray for these communities as they feel the brunt of the current economic crisis.

11 China

Some Christian workers are feeling weary and suffering from trauma. Pray that the Lord will strengthen them and provide more workers to do His will in China.

12 Uganda

Pray for the protection of those who have converted to Christianity from other religions. Ask God to keep them safe and fill them with His peace.

13 Togo

Ask the Lord to strengthen believers in Christ so they can remain faithful to Him despite any persecution or hardship they are faced with in their lives.

14 Myanmar

Pray for the believers who attend persecution preparedness training that they will stand strong in their faith and trust God. Pray that they will live a life pleasing to God.

15 Sri Lanka

Pray for children who do not have equal opportunities because of their faith in Jesus. Pray that God will touch the hearts of their teachers to not discriminate against them.

16 Armenia-Azerbaijan

Pray for small communities of believers in Azerbaijan and Armenia, that they will continue to share Christ with their Muslim neighbours.

17 Malaysia

Pray that The Hostel Program, a program equipping Christian students with biblical teaching to navigate everyday challenges and make wise decisions, will impact many young people in Malaysia.

18 Nigeria

Praise God for the gift of Bibles. Pray that Open Doors partners will be able to deliver more Bibles and that they will be an encouragement to each believer in Nigeria.

19 Turkmenistan

Please pray for unity amongst Christians and churches. Pray that God's love will be the bond that brings His children together so that, together, they can be His light.

20 Colombia

Pray for the strength and the resilience of the Christians in Colombia so that they do not lose heart in doing good. Pray for weary people to be refreshed in Christ.

21 Mexico

Pray that God will give the Mexican government revelation of the actions they need to take in order to lead Mexico to be a country free of corruption and crime.

22 North Korea

Together, let's believe that the people of North Korea will be freed from the harsh ways of communism. Pray also for the practical needs of the people to be met in miraculous ways.

23 Myanmar

Pray for the success, protection, and implementation of face-to-face leadership training of believers. Please also pray for the safe travel of the participants and the facilitators.

24 Brunei

Let's pray that the Christian Sports Fellowship initiatives will continue to unite Christian youths through sports and nurture a generation united by the love of Jesus.

25 Maldives

Pray for peace and stability in the Maldives. Pray that local political tensions will be resolved without violence or aggression and that Christians will show Christ's love to their communities.

26 Indonesia

Pray for Muslim background believers who struggle to find jobs due to rejection from the community. Pray that they feel the love and faithfulness of God through the support of our local partners.

27 Algeria

Pray for the perseverance of Algerian church leaders in the face of mounting difficulties affecting churches and individual Christians.

28 Laos

In recent months, persecution in the country has increased. Pray for strength for the believers, that they will stand strong in Jesus and that God comforts them as they face persecution.

29 Mauritania

Pray that the transformation of believers' lives will lead to Jesus being shared in families, communities and across the country so that more will come to know Him.

30 Cuba

There is a shortage of basic life necessities and medicine. Pray for God's miraculous provision of food and for His healing for those who are suffering without much needed medicine.

31 Venezuela

Pastors are training church leaders on crisis management but are also suffering abuse from external authorities. Please pray for God's wisdom, comfort, and special strength for the church. region.

*Names changed for security purposes.