

# PRAYING FOR COMMUNITIES WHERE CHRIST IS LEAST KNOWN March 2025

### RAMADAN—week one:

- Ramadan is a time of awakening, spiritual hunger, and opening of hearts amongst Muslims. May God speak to them as they fast and pray. Ask encounter with Jesus through dreams and visions. May the Holy Spirit stir the hearts of Muslims. Pray the Islamic world is transformed by the love of God.
- Pray workers have good conversations with people. May God give words of life and many opportunities to share about who God is with those within their communities.
- May those truly seeking God will find him. Pray they are willing to read Scripture and question what they have been taught.
- As the Middle East region adjusts to the easing of tension and conflict, pray for those in authority in Muslim-majority nations to govern with righteousness and to pursue peace.
- A worker in Chad writes, 'We have a neighbour named Fate. She hated Christians and insulted us again and again. As we have continually prayed for her, God has changed her heart. Pray the Lord will open her heart so that she can hear and understand the gospel.'
- In one location believers are gathering for 24 hours of prayer and worship. May their unity, love, and prayers result in a powerful time of encounter with the kingdom of God, setting captives free.
- Pray as an event is held in the Middle East for mothers and their children with special needs.
- Pray for workers health—physical health, emotional resilience, spiritual vibrancy. May marriages thrive. Ask God's protection and peace where there is insecurity.
- Ask blessing upon worker's children and their needs—readjustments to changes in location, languages, and schooling. Some have exams ahead. Ask for good educational opportunities. Pray spiritual covering and protection as they live among unreached people in spiritually dark regions.
- Pray for Faithful Witness's multi-cultural teams asking the blessing of understanding, good communication, and support. Pray for unity. May workers be encouraged and resourced, able to stay long-term within their communities.
- A worker in North Africa is currently in USA at a missions conference and raising mission awareness and support—ask for safekeeping, fruitful relationships, networking opportunities, and abundant blessing.

## RAMADAN—week two:

- Pray for Christians living in Muslim nations. May they reflect Jesus, the light of the world. 'For we are to God the pleasing aroma of Christ among those who are being saved and those who are perishing', Corinthians 2:15-16.
- Pray for church leaders and ask God to strengthen them as they seek to honour Christ, put his kingdom first, and equip believers to share hope and withstand persecution.
- During Ramadan family pressure upon believers can be very great. Some have no choice but to conform
  to the religious patterns of their family. May God shield his people. Pray for great faith in God and
  increased trust between the believers to support and encourage each other at this time.
- Ask God's protection and care of believers. Many are disadvantaged and persecuted. Pray for increased freedom of religion. Ask safety, growth, and spiritual maturity for those meeting in underground house churches. Pray that believers will remain firm in their decision to follow Jesus Christ as Saviour and Lord.
- Pray for believers in Central Asia. May God strengthen them and to help them to grow in their personal relationship with God. Ask great blessing as they are lead in taught in their faith.
- Ask God to send many more workers into Muslim strongholds. Praise God for a new worker who arrived
  in Chad this month—there are some new government requirements for visas, ask God's favour upon
  workers. Pray for effective language learning and ability. As new workers prepare to join the teams in Mali
  and in Central Asia, along with visiting teams, pray provision of support needs.
- Ask for a time of deep spiritual renewal, growth, and refreshment as workers in Mali gather for Spiritual
  Life Conference. Ask safe travel and great blessing as they study Philippines together, exploring how
  identity in Christ impacts Christian witness. Pray for a worker attending a discipleship movement leaders
  meeting in Kenya, and ask impact with village outreach in Mali.

## **RAMADAN**—week three:

- There are hundreds of millions of Muslims who remain unreached, without access to the gospel—many do not have the Bible in their heart language. Pray for the gospel to penetrate these people groups. May the word of truth become available for them.
- Give praise for micro SD cards which make the word of God available in over 5000 languages for anyone with a phone. May people listen again and again, and come to saving faith. May the word of God accomplish God's purposes and prosper, Isaiah 55:11.
- Pray for increased hunger for truth and a curiosity about the Bible and Christianity. As Muslims experience
  physical hunger in an act of devotion and obedience, may their spiritual hunger be awakened causing
  people to look for a way to truly satisfy it in Jesus, the bread of life.
- Pray for Muslims to meet and befriend followers of Jesus this Ramadan. Pray for boldness, anointing and wisdom as Christians share their faith.
- Ask great blessing and eternal fruit as a worker in Chad writes stories to use for literacy teaching and learning. As another worker in Chad witnesses to friends, two people have accepted the Bible—pray the Holy Spirit will give them understanding.
- As workers in Mali share the good news with a family, the children are interested in joining Sunday School.
- Pray for Muslims in need. Many struggle with hopelessness, poverty, trauma, and the aftermath of war, famine, and earthquakes. Pray for practical help to reach those in need. In Chad, many locals struggle to find work and provide for their families. Thousands of Sudanese refugees aren't reliably receiving their monthly distribution of food due to lack of funding of the World Food Program. Ask wisdom for the team as they find ways to show Jesus' compassion. Pray for fruit as English lessons provide opportunities to share good news. A worker asks God's provision of a vehicle for family and ministry needs, and provision of suitable candidates for a new Training in Ministry Outreach team.
- Pray for the building project of the team in Chad as they prepare accommodation for a new worker and a community learning center—may this be a source of healing and hope for the community.

#### RAMADAN—week four:

- Pray for spiritual encounters with the living God as Muslims practice living a life of purity so that they can
  grow spiritually and practice patience and compassion. Intensity builds towards the Night of Power. Pray
  for supernatural encounters with Jesus at this spiritually charged time.
- As Muslims seek forgiveness pray they learn of Jesus, repent, and turn to God, so that sins may be wiped out and times of refreshing may come from the Lord (Acts 3:19).
- Pray for Christians to be burdened to bless Muslim people and pray earnestly for them and their needs.
   May they have good opportunities to build friendships and connect with Muslim communities.
- Ask God to call and equip many workers to enter Muslim communities to serve with God's love, and open doors to share bring good news.
- While some Muslims are strengthened in their devotion, others become disillusioned, moving away from Islam and looking for a better way. Give thanks that Muslim people believe Christian Scriptures have been given by divine revelation. May they meet Jesus, the living word, and have opportunity to read the Bible through the written word and through social media.
- A worker in the Middle East gives thanks for a successful activity day with children with special needs and their families. It went well and it was a joy to see people working together in serving. This was a testimony in itself—one father said that in his culture people generally look at what they can get, not what they can give, especially with regard to children like these. He was shocked to see workers and locals join together to serve and to help these families, and not want anything in return. Pray that he may come to know the Truth of the Source of that love. Pray too for wisdom to know how best to help these families to support each other.
- Join in prayer with workers in Asia asking that the Holy Spirit prepares people's hearts to seek and follow
  Jesus. May business relationships and friendships reach people with the love of God and bring salvation
  through Jesus, the way, truth and life.
- Pray for students and teachers as the school year ends in Thailand. A day camp is planned. May the Ayutthaya team have wisdom and opportunities to spend quality time with local students and children.