

Praying for forgotten communities in ASIA, the MIDDLE EAST, CENTRAL ASIA, THAILAND, MALI, EASTERN CHAD, NORTH AFRICA, EAST AFRICA, and NORTHERN NIGERIA—WHERE CHRIST IS LEAST KNOWN June 2025

This month's prayer focus is drawn from Jesus' parable of the sower and the seed.

Week 1 — Matthew 13 verse 4 and 19, 'When anyone hears the message about the Kingdom'

- This week marks Pentecost—give thanks for workers planting Kingdom seeds.
- Pray that workers in each church-planting location see and experience the truth that the evil one has been defeated. May they be strong in the Lord and in his mighty power, putting on the full armour of God.
- A worker writes, 'Can you join me in prayer? I hadn't fully realized how many chances God continues to give me to share until now, when I've had time to think about everything while I've been unwell, stuck in bed. Sharing, teaching, discipling—this ongoing interaction with the Muslim world might be one of the reasons behind the strange and inexplicable things happening to my health.'
- Pray for the physical and spiritual well-being of workers and their children living in the forefront of the spiritual battleground. Ask full strength and good physical health. May team unity and love be a living witness of the goodness and power of the Kingdom of God.
- For all the regions the teams work in, pray for peace and stability. Ask God's protection of workers and their families from the schemes of the evil one. Pray workers have wisdom in life and prayerfully discern God's direction for ministry.
- Pray spiritual strongholds and barriers would be broken down. May communities and nations encounter
 the Kingdom of God and bow to Jesus. Ask a fresh outpouring of the Holy Spirit, the spirit of truth, to
 reveal truth, bring understanding, and birth new transformed lives. Give thanks that believers sealed with
 the Holy Spirit won't be snatched away.
- From North Africa: praise God for good relationships with the local authorities in our city—pray this continues. Recently there have been incidences in other cities. Pray God protects his work here.
- As Eid al-Adha is commemorated pray truth is revealed. May Muslims hear the message of God's forgiveness and believe that Jesus is the ultimate sacrifice.
- In one city, there will be a conference for local believers followed by a Pentecost celebration in Arabic, English, and French. May God use both events to equip and strengthen his people.
- Ask God to release visa's and send workers to join the teams in the Middle East, Chad, North Africa, Asia, and Central Asia.

Week 2 — Matthew 13 verses 5-6 and 20-21, 'deeply rooted'

- Pray for the work of the Holy Spirit to prepare good soil—ask wisdom for workers as they speak good news, build relationships with inquirers, and disciple believers. Pray believers will be deeply rooted. Give praise for believers preparing for baptism in Chad and in Thailand.
- May workers be encouraged as they see and experience the truth that God's word does not return void but accomplishes the purposes and will of God.
- Pray for believers encountering trouble or persecution because of the word.
- May the word of God prosper. Pray believers rejoice in God's salvation, understand truth, experience his
 goodness, and overflow with joy as they share in Christ's suffering knowing they will also share in his glory
 (Rm 8:18).
- From North Africa, 'Our language teacher is in deep need of prayer. Before their marriage, her husband, a passionate evangelist, introduced her to Christ, and she experienced a powerful transformation. Last year her husband walked away from both the marriage and the faith. He is seeking a divorce. By God's grace, she is still standing, waiting and praying for her husband's return. Pray God will guard her heart, give her peace that surpasses all understanding, and work a miracle in both of their lives.'

- Workers in Asia recently attended an employee's wedding. The couple have moved to the same neighbourhood as the team members. May God soften their hearts towards Him.
- From Mali: the ministry to the Hansanniya people is thriving with storytelling initiatives and building of relationships and trust with the community. The story of Jesus has been told in three locations. May seeds sown bring a harvest of salvation. May those stirred to follow Jesus put down deep roots in him. Pray the wife and children of a new believer will also accept Jesus; ask healing for his mother undergoing treatment. As a well is drilled in a new village, ask for a man of peace, and ongoing opportunities to share the gospel there. Among the Fulani people, the ministry is continuing to provide medical assistance, and foster connections.
- Pray for local churches that are partners in the work, and for the churches that are forming as new believers grow together. Give praise for initiatives that will grow relationships within the community and for outreach such as a community playground that will be built in Ayutthaya, Thailand.

Week 3 — Matthew 13 verse 7 and 22, 'fruitful, not distracted'

- Pray for eternal fruit for those who hear God's word. Pray that the message is not crowded out by the worries of this life.
- Pray workers daily abide in Jesus and are empowered to pursue righteousness, godliness, faith, love, endurance and gentleness, fighting the good fight (1 Timothy 6:11-16).
- As the Nomadic People's Connect conference is held this month ask safe travel and encouragement for workers joining this time of training.
- From Chad: one language helper is reading the Bible with me, and the other is doing Bible stories. In another location a worker regularly shows the Jesus film to patients at a local hospital and visits and prays with patients. May the word be received, transforming lives.
- Pray for unity, trust, and love among believers. As they share their faith may people to attracted to God's love and embrace this, no matter the cost.
- Ask God's provision for workers struggling financially. May workers on Home Assignment be blessed with
 full prayer and financial support teams and open doors to return to their fields of service. Pray workers
 are not limited by insufficient resources but have all they need to abound in every good work.
- Ask God's provision for sending churches, that they wouldn't be distracted by the worries of life but are able to give fully to Kingdom work.
- Ask funding for children's educational needs, and God's guidance and wisdom as to the right options. Pray children are blessed and thrive in their knowledge of God and in relationship with God and his people.
- Ask good time management and good preparation as family members visit workers in Ayutthaya,
 Thailand, followed late-June by a mission team visiting from the Czech Republic.
- Ask God's presence and touch upon a worker's mother who has a cancerous tumour.
- As a worker attends a Tropical Nursing course pray for good learning and equipping for community health teaching in Chad. Pray for completion a house being built for future team-mates prior to rainy season that starts June/July.

Week 4 — Matthew 13 verse 8 and 23, 'good soil and an abundant harvest'

- Pray for good soil and softened hearts as workers live out God's grace and love within communities living and dying without Jesus.
- From 2 Cor 9:10 pray for workers and for those that resource workers—may God who supplies and multiples the seed as they sow it enlarge the harvest of their righteousness.
- Ask the blessing of eyes that see and ears that hear—people that understand with their hearts, turn to God, and are healed (John 13:15-16).
- Through discipleship ministries within each team location may believers persevere, grow deep in faith and into maturity, and multiply.
- As a group of young men in the Middle East meet and study the word pray they have open eyes and hearts to hear and respond to the gospel.
- As children in each location are reached through outreaches programmes and respond to the gospel
 message pray that their families also will encounter Jesus and be transformed. Ask favour for programmes
 in schools, universities, and in communities.
- Pray God's word will accomplish his purposes in people's lives in a school in Chad as Bibles and audio
 proclaimers are distributed. May a Chadian man who is reading the Bible and learning a lot about Christ
 accept salvation and follow the way of Jesus. Ask godly wisdom and help as a worker plans an 'English in

- Action' course in the Chadian village, using English lessons with Muslim people to plant gospel seeds. Pray for fruit through youth soccer and evangelism ministry in another town in Chad.
- Pray for the National Council of churches in North Africa—may God grant wisdom as they navigate many challenges. Ask God to bring more international students to North Africa—those committed and bold to share the good news with the next generation of leaders.

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