

## PRAYING FOR COMMUNITIES WHERE CHRIST IS LEAST KNOWN

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# Thank you for joining us in prayer for all Faithful Witness teams:

- 1. Pray that each worker, and the Faithful Witness project team also, will be truly dependent on God, looking in faith and by prayer to God to provide all our needs. Ask wisdom, diligence, integrity, funding, and provision of resources to effectively share good news and impact lives.
- 2. A worker writes, 'We feel the weight of spiritual oppression and spiritual attacks in many different levels. Satan is really working hard to destroy the work of God, to destroy our relationships and ministries. There's a heavy spirit of discouragement and frustrations. We are starting to sense more criticism and opposition towards us. We also hear news of persecution of Christian brothers and sisters. The warfare is fierce and we need you to stand with us in prayer.'
- 3. Pray for workers to have patience, enabling, and perseverance to learn languages and culture deeply. May the Holy Spirit guide workers into meaningful relationships as they grow in understanding of the communities they serve.

## **NORTHERN NIGERIA**

- Finance for workers remains an obstacle to Fulani ministry. One couple's return from Home Assignment is
  delayed as additional finances are needed. Other workers have returned to ministry but have significant
  financial shortfalls. Pray Philippians 4:19 asking God's supply of all needs—encouragement, provision,
  guidance, and new donors. May there be breakthrough and release of funds allowing fruitful ministry to
  continue and grow amongst Fulani living and dying without knowledge of Jesus.
- Give thanks for local rains. Pray for safekeeping as the team travel among isolated, rural Fulani communities. Ask that seeds sown both in soil and in hearts take root and bear fruit.
- Pray for lasting change in the Fulani community and open hearts to the Gospel. Pray for more grace and empowerment to share the gospel.
- Give praise that the lost from Fulani communities and other tribes are being found and are entering God's Kingdom. Pray for the nurture, discipleship, spiritual growth, and protection of new believers.
- Pray for stability in Northern Nigeria and ask protection of the team amidst security concerns. May
  workers have strength and encouragement as they continue learning the Hausa and Fulfulde languages.
   Pray for team unity. Ask God's blessing of the team's children and success in their education.

## **MALI**

- Ask for peace and calm in the region, stability, and an end to the attacks that have disrupted daily life.
- Pray for safekeeping and protection for the team, for the people we live amongst, and for the Hansanniya communities during this challenging time.
- Pray for creative solutions and opportunities to reach the Hansanniya people with support and resources, despite the curfew and restrictions. As we continue to visit villages and families ask for meaningful, fruitful connections. Ask godly wisdom as we respond to water, sanitation, nutrition and healthcare needs.
- Pray for the team as we access PeaceWise training this month. May we grow in biblical peace-making, one relationship at a time, bringing hope and help to those we minister among who are conflict-weary.
- Give praise for the input and knowledge gained from the recent Nomad people's network gathering. Ask
  godly wisdom and leading as we seek to apply this to our ministry and setting here, that our ministry
  would bear more fruit, in Jesus' name.

### **EAST AFRICA**

- May God build a team of intercessors to pray for the people of this region.
- Pray for the believers in this country, less than 10 people, asking for strength and boldness as they face persecution and intimidation. As we pray for the government, may God bring more freedom for believers.

- Pray for those in prison for their faith. Ask for their release. Pray for freedom to worship Jesus, with others, without fear.
- Ask God to establish a people for himself, those who call upon Jesus, worship him, and share the good news of his salvation.
- May God provide opportunities to meet with true God-seekers
- Ask godly wisdom as team leaders cast a vision for Kingdom work in the region. May prayer pave the way
  for a team of workers to be called into service. Pray a large team of faithful witnesses become established
  here leading to gospel influence, that many would turn to Christ.

## **EASTERN CHAD**

- An ancient centre of Islam, Chad has more people without knowledge of Jesus than any other African
  nation. By prayer, release spiritual strongholds. Ask encouragement of workers. Pray for spiritual
  protection, and in this region of unrest, ask protection of workers and for political stability.
- Pray for a worker and family as they make important schooling decisions regarding 2 children, alongside the challenge of needing new financial partners to work in this difficult context with a high cost of living.
- Tens of thousands of refugees from Sudan live nearby—withdrawal of aid-funding adds to their struggles.
   Pray for peace, provision, and their protection. While there is tremendous pressure to confirm to Islam, for many refugees it is a time of questioning what is important and true in life. As a year-long English course at the refugee camp concludes, may it bring fruit in the lives of people both now and for eternity.
- Pray for those who have received SD bible audio cards. Others have seen the Jesus film. May the Spirit of God bring understanding and salvation.
- Football has opened opportunities share with friends and to pray together. Ask God to bring further impact as evangelism happens through the youth football team of a local church.
- Praise God the rainy season has started. However, this impacts literacy classes as people work in the fields. Pray that God will send others to teach and disciple.
- Pray for workers commencing language study and ask that all workers improve in their ability to communicate well and relate well within their communities. A family asks provision of a vehicle to facilitate travel and for ministry purposes.
- Give praise for the construction of our community learning centre located right in the middle of town. May it be a light in the darkness leading people to Jesus, the source of healing and hope.
- Praise for recent community health education training of a worker and her local colleague. Pray for God's wisdom, leading and enablement to implement our training, express God's love, and bless this community.

# **NORTH AFRICA**

- Pray for perseverance for workers with the hot weather and busyness, asking God's strength and joy for each day filled with summer activities. May the international students involved in these activities have a meaningful and enriching summer.
- Pray God will bring more committed, bold, French-speaking university students to this region—those ready to share good news with the next generation of leaders.
- Praise God for new workers preparing to move to the region.
- Pray for unity, forgiveness, humility, and love among local believers—may they truly express God's love within their communities. Give praise for a new believer—may he learn to trust and obey Jesus.
- Ask deep refreshment for those on Home Assignment, and fruitful opportunities to share the stories of
  what God is doing. Ask provision of prayer and financial supporters. Pray they dynamically mobilise others
  into cross-cultural mission.

### **CENTRAL ASIA**

- A worker writes, 'Last year, I started dreaming of bringing the people we're currently raising to faith to cross borders and barriers to bring good news of God's Kingdom to others. It was a dream, and my teammates were surprised to hear such bold ideas. It felt so right, as if our Father was already preparing the way. There are many powerful reasons to take our people beyond their region, letting them see what others have to endure to keep their faith. I don't know if God will fulfil this plan this year, next year, or in seven years, but I invite you to join me in prayer for this dream now.'
- Pray for God's protection over our workers, the work, and the people we serve.
- Pray for new Kingdom workers for this region.

## **MIDDLE EAST**

- Ask for wisdom and stamina throughout the hot season. Life doesn't really start for most people until the
  evening! This makes for long empty days but busy evenings as I see the kids in clinic and home visits. Most
  other expats are out of the country for the summer so pray for good connections with friends and good
  balance of work and play!
- Pray for wisdom in dealing with a couple of families where there has been very obvious negative spiritual battle going on as they relate to me. Ask insight to know how to best get alongside the families and help.
- Ask God to send workers into the harvest fields of the Middle East.
- Ask for favour and open doors for workers. We are all back on 2 month visas and there has been some
  delays in getting applications in for our annual visas.
- Pray for greater stability and peace in the region. May country leaders make wise decisions to seek justice and peace. May they put their trust in God (Psalm 146:3).

### **ASIA**

- Give thanks for a new family preparing to join the team this year—pray for their fund-raising and
  preparation. We are grateful for the team's growth enabling shared leadership and decision-making. Pray
  God continues to call and equip other faithful witnesses to join the team.
- May we see the power of the Spirit transforming this large people group living without knowledge of God
  and his salvation. We continue to visit friends and neighbours, interact with people through cultural
  events and hospitality, and through sports-related opportunities. We give thanks for relationships we've
  built and opportunities to share the truth. Pray these relationships continue to grow and that people
  would seek Jesus, the way, truth, and life.
- We give praise part of our team was able get away and find rest. Pray for a family as they adjust to their oldest child returning to their sending country to attend university.
- Give thanks, a recent business decision to restructure incentives for employees has been encouraging.
   Pray for good business sales and improving finances. Ask God to guide and open the way for the business to expand with new training opportunities. Praise God for the way the business provides opportunities to grow relationships.

# **AYUTTHAYA, THAILAND**

- Give thanks for a restful and meaningful Spiritual Life Conference. Pray for ongoing spiritual vitality so
  that we live out a vibrant testimony of the gospel through our character, words and actions, individually
  and as a team, as we serve in Ayutthaya. Ask also for emotional and physical health for workers and their
  families.
- Give thanks for a successful opening ceremony of the community playground—pray this will be an outlet for God's words to flow into the community and that the team will have wisdom in utilizing the place.
- Praise God for the favour we have with local authorities. Also for the amazing open door we have with a
  local school as we teach English using Bible stories. As seeds of the gospel are sown, may this impact
  children and their parents. Pray for new opportunities to connect with families and children so that many
  people in Ayutthaya encounter God's love and hear and respond to the gospel.
- A mission team from Taiwan are running a church/community workshop mid-month. We hope 50 people will join the event as we share about God's love with them. Ask strength, wisdom, and a shepherd's heart as we care for believers and help them grow strong in the Lord.
- We are creating opportunities and events to share testimonies and good news with university students. Ask God's leading to overcome obstacles and establish an official university Christian club.

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