



Thank you for 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
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SIM—By Prayer: a worker writes, ‘We give thanks as we see the hands of God working and new doors of opportunity to serve him, as you pray.’

MIDDLE EAST

Give thanks, the Lord is my strength and my shield; my heart trusted in him, and I am helped; therefore my heart greatly rejoices, and with my song I will praise him.

- Amidst renewed conflict pray for regional stability. Ask God’s peace, justice and will be done.
- Praise God for his power to transform individuals, communities, and even nations. May workers and local believers see God’s transforming power at work where they serve.
- Lift up those struggling with fear and trauma. May they give Jesus their burdens and find rest in him.
- Ministry with children with special needs and their families has many challenges. ‘A school asked me to help them identify children with autism or ADHD because they wanted to exclude them. May God soften their hearts towards these children.’
- A 2-day visa renewal trip was disrupted when air travel within the region was closed—ask God’s wisdom, guidance, and protection amid uncertainty and obstacles.

ASIA

Give thanks for the Lord is the great God, and the great King above all gods.

- May the business grow and experience God’s blessing and be able to generate income.
- Ask God’s favour to receive paperwork for an International Recruitment License we have been waiting for, for almost a year.
- Give thanks for opportunity to interact with an employee and his family and share the gospel with them. Pray the Holy Spirit works powerfully and opens spiritual eyes to the truth of Christ.
- Pray for a local taxi driver we’ve been building a relationship with, asking continued opportunities to share, and be involved in his life. Pray he will be drawn to God.
- As the oldest child of a worker’s family returns to their sending country for university studies, ask peace through this major change.
- Give thanks for new workers answering the call to join the team—pray for their preparations.

AYUTTHAYA, THAILAND

Praise the Lord, call upon his name; declare his deeds among the peoples, make mention that his name is exalted.

- We built a community playground in collaboration with a Christian group. Pray for a good opening ceremony and small fun-fair celebration July 26th, that God will be glorified. We’ll introduce our church to the community, and share God’s love.
- As a family returns from Home Assignment this week, pray for a safe journey and good adaptation back to Thailand.
- Give praise for new believers and opportunities to disciple them. May children lead their families to Jesus. As many hear good news, ask for soft hearts to hear and understand truth.
- Praise the Lord for a staff member focusing on university ministry, and other believers building relationships and sharing the gospel with students.
- Pray workers experience the Holy Spirit’s protection from the evil one in this environment of spiritual strongholds. May God’s peace and grace be upon them.
- Pray for the various groups of people from different parts of the world coming this month to visit Ayutthaya and our ministries.

CENTRAL ASIA

We give thanks, O God, because you are near. People everywhere tell of your wonderful deeds.

- Ask encouragement as workers serve Christ where there are so many spiritually hungry people—the harvest is huge, yet the workers are few.
- Pray for God's protection over workers, the work, and the people we serve—especially in light of recent challenges with local authorities.
- Pray for wisdom and God's guidance and direction as our team transitions. Many have left, but we're hoping and praying for more to join us. Ask strength and support for the team, and godly understanding and love.
- Give praise for partnership with a western church—as we plan a retreat for local leaders may it be Spirit-led and fruitful.

NORTH AFRICA

Give thanks, since we are receiving a kingdom that cannot be shaken, let us have grace, by which we may serve God acceptably with reverence and godly fear.

- Ask God's calling of a Director for the SIM North Africa region, an exciting opportunity to lead and develop multi-cultural teams living amidst 100 million people in which less than 0.03 % follow Jesus. Pray that a gospel witness is established, developed, and consolidated within these communities.
- July is the beginning of the summer vacation for the international students we work with. This month they will be taking Arabic lessons. May these lessons help them to build relationships, that they might be light in their neighbourhoods and universities.
- Pray for perseverance for workers—it is hot, and while many are on vacation, it is our busiest time of year. Pray God gives us daily strength and joy.
- Pray for new workers—French speakers with pastoral and cross-cultural skills, and ask provision of resident permits.
- Praise God for his protection of believers in places that can be hostile to their faith. Ask strength for those facing rejection and sometimes persecution from their families and communities. Despite restrictions, pray believers abound in love, purity, and righteousness, lacking nothing, and can discern how to advance the gospel in this context.
- Pray for families on Home Assignment. One worker is looking for a job in her field of training—civil engineering.

MALI

It is good to give thanks to the Lord, and to sing praises to your name, O Most High; to declare your lovingkindness in the morning, and your faithfulness every evening.

- Pray for stability, peace and calm in the country, and protection for workers amidst increased terrorist and bandit movement in their region.
- Ask wisdom and guidance in decision-making about ministry in the villages while unrest is nearby. Give thanks that God is not limited even when the movement and ministry of the team is impacted. Ask opportunities to engage with people and nurture relationships. Ask fruit from words spoken, truth proclaimed, and love shown—pray many accept Jesus as Lord and Saviour.
- Three workers are learning Hassaniya, the language of the Moors—ask God's enabling. As the words of God are shared with a language teacher, pray the Holy Spirit will open his heart to see the true, living God. We feel blessed that God has introduced us to a Moor family in my neighbourhood. Pray that our visits with them will foster meaningful relationships and build bridges of love and friendship.
- Give praise for God's continued work in the lives of children attending Sunday School—ask open hearts and more opportunities to share good news and to engage with the Moor communities.
- Pray for rural church-planting efforts among nomads living near the capital city, and outreach to refugees and internally displaced people.

EAST AFRICA

May the nations praise you, O God. Let the whole earth sing for joy, because you govern the nations with justice and guide the people of the whole world.

Bathe the region with your prayers for these least-reached peoples. Pray for spiritual breakthrough. Ask God to draw people to himself. Pray for encouragement, more Christian workers, and favour with institutions and governments.

NORTHERN NIGERIA

Give thanks to the Lord for he is good! For his mercy endures forever.

- Praise God for His faithfulness and protection of a family who lost the roof of their home during a storm. Ask encouragement and guidance amidst the struggles of life, and financial support to enable return to Fulani ministry. Another family give praise for valuable opportunities and strong support as they met with their sending church and leadership at various levels. They have returned to ministry among the Fulani but face many financial challenges.
- Workers are responsible for covering children's school fees, food, transportation, medical expenses, and university costs. The financial burden is huge. May God's hand move in these situations and provide clear direction, provision, and resolution.
- 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, and protection of new believers.
- Pray for love and unity amongst the team. May Fulani ministry thrive and effectively communicate the God of love through word and deed.
- Ask for protection and safekeeping midst security concerns.

EASTERN CHAD

Praise the glorious name of the Lord God forever! Let the whole earth be filled with his glory.

- Pray for the stability of Chad, asking for peace and justice. Ask protection of workers as they travel, and of health. Workers need energy, healing, good health, and encouragement.
- Ask provision of finances for workers, and wisdom as schooling options are considered.
- Ask God to be at work through literacy class and in the lives of students. May God bless and use the story book being written in romanised Arabic.
- Give praise for the year-long English course at the refugee camp—may the students be encouraged and finish well as they conclude with a test mid-July.
- Give praise that the distribution of Bibles and audio proclaimers reached 300 school students, mostly from Muslim families. Pray the good news comes not only in words but in mighty power infused with the Holy Spirit and deep conviction (1 Thes 1:5).
- A 4-month English course based on evangelism has commenced with both Muslim and Christian girls—pray I can be a faithful witness of Jesus, and ask provision of a suitable teaching space.
- Give praise for opportunities to share good news. Ask for open doors, friendship and welcome into communities, deeper conversations, and deeper relationships.
- Ask strengthening of believers living with threats, family pressure, and persecution. May nothing separate them from the love of Christ.