



September/October 2024

PRAYER CALENDAR

SEPTEMBER

| Sub-Saharan Africa

September 1

Pray for African countries where Christians are targeted by jihadists for their faith in Jesus. The violent situation continues to grow, increasing insecurity at an alarming rate.

September 2

In Nigeria, Christians face attacks on their lives and villages. Pray for desperately needed qualified trauma care workers to work with survivors.

September 3

The continued attacks are causing immense displacement among Christians—*please pray for the Lord's comfort and provision.*

September 4

Pastor Barnabas* was brutally attacked by Fulani militants in Nigeria. Pray for his continued healing.

September 5

Today, Barnabas pastors thousands of Christians in a camp for internally displaced people. Pray for his ministry and perseverance.

September 6

The camp conditions are appalling and believers face danger every day—but Pastor Barnabas remains confident in God's goodness. Ask God to answer his prayer for restoration.

September 7

Pray that persecuted believers in IDP camps will be able to return to their homes. An estimated 4 million people are displaced.

September 8

Pray that Fulani militants and other extremist groups would turn from their evil ways and choose to follow Jesus. Pray for Saul-to-Paul experiences.

September 9

Pray that the Nigerian government and other global decision-makers would acknowledge and address Nigeria's worsening crisis of violence.

September 10

Abraham (pictured on cover) is chairman of a displacement camp in northern Nigeria. He's been there since their village was devastated by a Fulani militant attack. Ask the Holy Spirit to sustain him.



September 11

Pray for the children in these camps. Pray they will grow in their faith and hunger for the Word.

September 12

Pray that authorities would be challenged and equipped to improve living conditions in the camps.

September 13

Pray that God would thwart all evil plans and snuff out the threat of Islamic extremism.

September 14

Pray that Open Doors local partners will be strengthened as they seek to support people in trauma care and IDP camps.

| China

September 15

Pray with a 60-year-old couple. They left Buddhism to follow Jesus and have led a church for 10 years. Authorities recently seized their church building.

September 16

The couple continues to host a church in their home. Pray for their protection.

September 17

Pray for a brother in the region who for the last two years has been making plans to gather believers to serve in 10 locations.

September 18

No one is intended to live alone. Pray for believers in this area ... that they would find a spiritual community and grow together (Rom. 12:4-5).

| Algeria

September 19

Pray for Algerians who have left Islam to follow Jesus. It's considered an act of

mental illness to convert to Christianity in the predominantly Muslim country.

September 20

Pray with Meryem, a young college student whose Muslim parents discovered her faith and placed her under house arrest.

September 21

Meryem's mother told her that conversion is a mental illness and is sedating her. *Lord, we cry out for Meryem and pray for her rescue.*

September 22

Pray that God would make a way for Meryem and the millions of Christians like her who live under house arrest.

| Vietnam

September 23

Pray for peace and comfort for four women we recently met. They are enduring physical and emotional abuse for their faith.

September 24

Pray for Lan*. After her husband died from COVID, her in-laws continue to blame her faith for his death. Lan asks us to pray for perseverance.

September 25

Pray for Tram* whose husband trashes her Bible when he sees it. *Father, we ask You to soften Tram's husband's heart as he sees her live for You.*

September 26

Pray with Kha Han* whose husband often beats her when she comes home from church. *God, we are heartbroken for our sister—please protect her body, mind and heart. Encourage her through Your Word.*

| Mozambique

September 27

Our field is asking us to pray for our reeling family in northern Mozambique. Extremists launched an attack on the city of Macomia, in Cabo Delgado province, sending people fleeing from their homes.

September 28

Local partners in the region report the Islamic insurgency is intensifying as Islamic State group-linked attacks increase. Ask God to confuse extremists' plans (Psalm 55:9).



September 29

Pray for traumatized believers—that God’s Spirit will comfort and provide. Pray they will look to Him for guidance.

September 30

Pray for pastors ministering to those affected in the attacks and those faithfully serving where they’re vulnerable to attack.

OCTOBER

| North Korea

October 1

An estimated 250,000 Christians are imprisoned for their faith. Ask God to give them hope in the inhumane camps.

October 2

Pray for at least 10 North Korean Christians who were recently sent to political prison camps. Pray they would know and feel God’s presence.

October 3

Ask God to surround them with His armies of angels and that they would know His peace that passes all human understanding and guards their hearts and minds (Phil. 4:7).

October 4

Pray for the brave but desperate North Korean refugees who risk their lives to earn money for their families. Pray they will meet Jesus in China.

October 5

Pray for all the Christians in China who help North Korean refugees, risking their own lives and future. Pray that the Lord will guide and provide for them.

October 6

Pray for those involved in catching, guarding and interrogating North Korean refugees. Pray

they will see and treat them as people. Pray they will meet Christ as they encounter Christians.

October 7

Pray for Open Doors’ safe houses in China, specifically for the workers. Pray that refugees would find their way to them and they would meet Christ as a result.

| Sudan

October 8

Right now, Sudan is home to the world’s largest displacement and is facing the world’s largest hunger crisis. Ask God to bring peace to this troubled land.

October 9

Pray that God would protect His people—and enable them to be salt and light in their communities that have been ravaged by war.

October 10

When our team visited the region earlier this month, we found church leaders who said they “feel forgotten.” Ask God to strengthen these church leaders.

October 11

Pray for those who are displaced and are discriminated against, that they would find a way to get access to safety and emergency relief aid.

October 12

Pray for Kodi*, a 24-year-old Bible student who brings the gospel to his community on a motorbike that your support provided.

October 13

Pray for his ministry and his education. Praise God for this blessing. Before, Kodi* walked three hours to attend Bible college. Now he can travel quickly and teach the Bible.

October 14

Kodi also brings Bibles to the people he’s discipling. Pray for his protection as he carries the Word of God to people who have never before held a Bible.

| Pakistan

October 15

Pray for Christians in Pakistan who every day live with the knowledge they or a loved one could be accused of blasphemy against Islam and attacked by enraged mobs.



October 16

Pray that Christians would be protected from accusations of blasphemy and mob attacks. Ask God to keep them under His wings (Psalms 91:4).

October 17

Recently, a Christian man, Nazir Masih, was falsely accused in Punjab province and fatally wounded by mob beatings outside his home. Pray for comfort and peace for his grieving family.

October 18

Pray for the Christian community in Punjab who has been shaken by this violent attack. Pray that God's Spirit would bring both comfort and resilience.

October 19

Pray that those responsible for Nazir's death would face justice and also come to know their Savior. *You, O Lord, are our "shield" and "the lifter" of our head. Amen. (Psalm 3:3).*

| Haiti

October 20

Pray against the strong wave of violence sweeping through the country. Gangs have taken control over the capital city Port-au-Prince.

October 21

Pray for the loved ones of three American missionaries, Jude Montis and Natalie and Davy Lloyd, who were kidnapped in Port-au-Prince after leaving church. They were killed that night.

October 22

Pray that God will free the streets of Port-au-Prince and other parts of Haiti from the influence of gangs and the violence plaguing the country.

October 23

Pray for the churches, pastors and missionaries who are working in Haiti and who put their lives at risk on a daily basis. Pray for wisdom and peace.

| Nepal

October 24

Christian persecution has skyrocketed as Hindu groups demand to reinstate Nepal as a Hindu country. Pray for perseverance.

October 25

Recently, police arrested four Christians in Madhesh province, as they were sharing the gospel. In the same area, extremists burned Bibles. Pray for protection and courage among believers.

October 26

Praise God for our local partners who offered persecution preparedness training in Madhesh province where Hindu extremism is especially high. Your support provides these opportunities.

October 27

Pray for those who participated in the training. Ask God to help them remember what they've learned, especially in difficult situations. And pray they would have a hunger for the Word.

| Colombia

October 28

On the Colombian Pacific coast, the church is under fire. Today, pray with church leaders who are targeted and pressured by guerilla groups that control the region.

October 29

Our teams recently visited the area and made the trek to the country's most isolated church where we met with Pastor Salomón. Pray for him by name today.

October 30

Fearing for their lives, many people have left the area. Salomón's church has lost many members, and he lost his job cutting down trees. Ask God to give him and his family daily encouragement.

October 31

Salomón is thankful for the support he received to start an income-generating project. "Thanks to God and Open Doors," he says. "Pray a lot for this church. I love you very much."

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