# PRAYER GUIDE

June 2024 – September 2024

# JUNE

#### 01 Malaysia

Today, let us pray for the Hostel program, as it helps Christian students centre their identity and community around Christ.

#### 02 Sri Lanka

Churches can face intense opposition from leaders of other denominations. Pray that churches will gather in peace.

#### 03 Brunei

Pray for believers facing financial inequality, that they will feel God's presence and provision as they make ends meet.

#### 04 Malaysia

Pray that the newly elected leaders govern with integrity and will promote unity and religious freedom among the public.

#### 05 Maldives

Pray for women as they experience verbal and sexual abuse in public. Pray that they will be seen as equals in society.

#### 06 Turkmenistan

Pray for safe internet connection for persecuted believers to gather in secret, that they will feel protected and will not be tracked.

#### 07 Bhutan

Christians here are restricted from engaging in everyday life. Pray that God will protect and guide them as they navigate these challenges.

#### 08 Pakistan

Pray that Christians will feel God's peace after the fear created from the violence of the Jaranwala incident, which saw Christians attacked and churches burned.

#### 09 North Korea

Pray for safe houses and secret networks who strengthen North Korean believers from outside the country, as they face many risks.

#### 10 Mexico

Pray for God to move in dangerous areas and that believers will continue to share their faith despite the fear of organised crime.

#### 11 Myanmar

Due to war, some believers have been displaced. Pray they will find community and comfort and have their needs met.

#### 12 India

Pray that the government will respond to the increasing rates of Christian persecution, church closures, and discrimination.

#### 13 Nepal

Together, let us pray that the church in Nepal will be protected from Hindu extremist groups and can meet securely and safely.

#### 14 Sri Lanka

Please pray for an elderly believer experiencing rejection from his family. Pray that his essential needs will be met despite isolation.

#### 15 Armenia - Azerbaijan

Pray for the hatred between these two countries to cease and that believers who have been dislocated will find peace in a new place.

#### 16 Turkmenistan

Pray for the small 1.1% Christian population, that God will guide church leadership towards unity and strength and that the church will grow.

#### 17 Gulf

Pray for Anam, a literacy teacher and local partner facing opposition from the cartel, as he teaches literacy to Christians.

#### 18 Bangladesh

Pray that Pastor Sirajul and his church will be strengthened by God as they face immense pressures from Islamic groups.

#### **19 Central Asia**

Pray for persecuted Christians sharing their faith despite threats, violence, and isolation from loved ones.

#### 20 Libya

As believers are targeted by Islamic extremists, pray that they are protected and that stability will come to Libya.

#### 21 Brunei

Pray that believers will have access to Christian materials despite the government's increasingly harsh censorship laws and monitoring.

#### 22 Eritrea

Together, let us ask God to strengthen and be close to believers facing imprisonment or forced military service because of their faith.

#### 23 Iraq

Pray for local partners as they invest in the trauma care of female believers in Iraq who are suffering from sexual harassment and abuse.

#### 24 Uzbekistan

Pray that God will strengthen the underground church despite the fines and detainments they face for "illegal" gatherings.

#### 25 Laos

Pray that God will build avenues for persecuted Christians to meet and offer fellowship to other believers and show love to their communities.

# 26 Mozambique

Pray for pastors as they lead believers living under the growing threat of violent attack from Islamic extremist groups.

# 27 Kyrgyzstan

Indigenous converts are targeted by their communities for their newfound faith in Jesus and often feel isolated. Pray that God will protect them.

# 28 Yemen

Pray that Yemeni believers will find safe community as they flee to neighbouring countries for protection from violence and pressure.

# 29 Colombia

Armed gangs control areas where Christians live, threatening them with abuse. Pray that they will turn to Christ and that the believers will be protected.

# 30 Bangladesh

Pray for governmental powers, that they will ensure the protection of minority groups from persecution, including Christians.

# JULY

#### 01 Oman

Pray that migrant workers, who have found faith in Jesus, will be protected from abuse and can find safe spaces to worship freely.

#### 02 Maldives

Pray for the future of the Maldives following an alarming growth in governmental corruption and religious extremism.

#### 03 Egypt

Pray that Christian converts will find fellowship and community amid discrimination, the threat of abuse, and human rights violations.

#### 04 Nigeria

Pray that persecuted Christians will find healing in Jesus from abductions, sexual violence, and violent attacks in Nigeria.

#### 05 Algeria

As pressures for Christians continue to rise in Algeria, pray that God will provide safe spaces for Christians to meet and worship.

# 06 Pakistan

False allegations of blasphemy can sometimes result in imprisonment and abuse for Christians. Pray that believers will be protected.

#### 07 Cuba

Pray that Cuba's leaders will find Jesus, treat their people with compassion, and allow Christians to meet freely without threat of arrest.

#### 08 Afghanistan

Pray that Christian converts feeling the weight of loneliness and isolation will find comfort in God and in His people, the Church.

#### 09 Comoros

Pray that believers experiencing rejection and abuse from their family will feel connected to their local and global family in Christ.

#### 10 Indonesia

Following the presidential election earlier this year, pray that the new authorities will allow free worship for Christians.

#### 11 Brunei

It is illegal to register churches here, and churches meet in secret. Pray for wisdom for church leaders as they lead in Brunei.

#### 12 China

Pray that God will strengthen church leaders as they are pressured and monitored by strict authoritarian measures and policies.

#### 13 Malaysia

Pray that division amongst churches will no longer have a foothold in communities and that Christians will experience religious freedom.

#### 14 India

Pray that authorities in conservative Hindu states will allow Christian communities to gather and worship freely without violence.

#### 15 Sri Lanka

Pray that impoverished female believers will be faith-filled despite the severe financial hardship and discrimination they face.

#### 16 Mali

Christians face the risk of violence and attack from Islamic extremists in rural areas. Pray for believers to be strengthened and protected.

#### 17 Mozambique

Pray that Christians will hold onto Jesus during times of violent persecution, asking God to be their strength and comfort.

#### 18 Mexico

In a year of many elections, pray that God will raise up leaders with integrity who will fight for peace for all people, including Christians.

#### 19 Nepal

Pray for the protection and guidance of those working in Nepal to minister to persecuted Christians, especially in dangerous remote regions.

#### 20 Cameroon

Pray that believers who are the victims of violent attacks will find comfort and restoration in Christ and will rediscover hope and joy.

#### 21 Sudan

Sudanese Christians have been forcibly displaced due to the ongoing, violent, nationwide conflict. Pray for their healing and protection.

#### 22 Morocco

Pray that recent Christian converts will feel empowered in their faith despite family, governmental, and community pressure.

#### 23 Bangladesh

Pray for the protection of secret believers, who will be forced to renounce their faith if it is discovered by family and friends.

#### 24 Tunisia

Pray that the church in Tunisia will one day be able to worship freely and will keep growing in strength and number until then.

#### 25 Saudi Arabia

Pray for believers who have been rejected by family because of their faith in Jesus, that God will bring them peace.

#### 26 Central African Republic

Pray that God will protect vulnerable female believers from abduction for ransom, sexual violence, and trafficking because of their faith.

#### 27 Burkina Faso

Amid political instability and a severe displacement crisis, pray that Christians who have been affected will find hope in Jesus.

#### 28 Tunisia

Pray for the church in the southern regions of Tunisia, where Christians often face hostility amongst a conservative Muslim demographic.

#### 29 Iran

Pray that Christians will have the freedom to meet, fellowship, and worship without fear of imprisonment, attack, torture, or abuse.

#### 30 Nicaragua

Pray for church leaders to have wisdom and courage to minister even though they are targeted by authorities and local crime groups.

#### 31 Somalia

Believers risk their lives daily in Somalia to follow Jesus. Pray that they will be strengthened, encouraged, and protected.

# AUGUST

#### 01 Kyrgyzstan

Christians face political pressure and increased monitoring from the government and neighbours. Pray that secret believers will find fellowship.

#### 02 India

Pray that Christians, especially those who live in conservative Hindu regions, will have the courage to live for Christ amid the abuse they face.

#### 03 Myanmar

Pray that God will raise up peacemakers from within His Church and for an end to war and violence that has troubled the nation.

#### 04 Mexico

Pray for persecuted Christians who are experiencing loss and grief, that they will be comforted and know that God is close to them.

#### 05 Colombia

Pray that Pastor Alberto will continue to disciple young people despite threats he receives from gangs and criminal groups.

#### 06 China

Despite digital monitoring, Open Doors local partners, Moli and Yuhua, are ministering to the Chinese church. Pray for wisdom and strength.

#### **07 Maldives**

Pray that God will work in the hearts of the government amidst a rise in scandal and corruption and bring leaders to know the gospel.

#### **08 Nigeria**

Pray that the Shalom Trauma Care Centre, run by local partners, will continue blessing victims of violent persecution as they recover and heal.

#### 09 Tanzania

Pray that churches and Christian institutions would continue to be safe havens for believers amid rising Islamic extremism and attacks.

#### 10 Egypt

Believers experience discrimination and abuse in their workplaces. Pray that they will hold on to Jesus and be comforted.

#### 11 Israel

Pray that Christians will continue to share the hope they have in Christ amid ongoing regional instability and devastation.

#### 12 Laos

Pray that Christians who have had their properties and businesses destroyed by violent persecution will be supported as they rebuild.

#### 13 Vietnam

Pray for those who have converted to Christianity and may be feeling isolated or alone, that they would find community and family in Christ.

### 14 Sri Lanka

Pastor Indunil supports and disciples his community despite an attack on their church. Pray that God will encourage and strengthen him.

#### 15 Iraq

Pray that Christians from Muslim backgrounds will hold on to Jesus despite the harsh abuse they may face from their families and communities.

#### 16 Chad

Pray for the church whose building was deliberately burned down earlier this year, that they will rebuild, and that God will restore their hope.

# 17 Saudi Arabia

Pray for Christians who follow Jesus secretly due to social and cultural pressures, that they will be sure of God's faithful presence with them.

#### 18 Yemen

Pray for Saleh and Fawzi as they continue to share the gospel with Yemeni people. May God open doors for them and their house church network.

# 19 Democratic Republic of Congo

Christians face violence and intimidation from Islamic extremists. Pray that they will put their trust and hope in Jesus.

#### 20 China

Pray that young Christians experiencing persecution for the first time will hold fast to God despite the troubles they face.

#### 21 Uzbekistan

Pray that believers from a Muslim background will find Christian community to support and encourage them amid persecution.

#### 22 Palestinian Territories

As the region continues to grieve the losses and violence of the war, pray that Christians will be a light in their communities.

#### 23 Turkey

Pray that the church in Turkey will continue to grow in strength and in number despite rising political pressure and opposition.

# 24 Tajikistan

Pray for Tajikistani Christian women who face persecution for their faith and gender, that God will remind them of His love for them.

# 25 Cuba

Pray for pastors who face intimidation from gangs that they will be, "as shrewd as snakes and as innocent as doves". (Matthew 10:16)

#### 26 Bhutan

Together, let us pray for fruitful ministry and that our local partners will be encouraged and energised to continue their work for Christ in Bhutan.

#### 27 Malaysia

Pastor Raymond Koh has been missing since February 2017. Please pray that God will comfort his family and bring him back safely.

#### 28 Nepal

Pray that the vulnerable beneficiaries of Open Doors support will experience the love of God through His body, both locally and globally.

# 29 Bangladesh

Pray that those responsible for governing the country will act justly and protect the rights of minority groups, including Christians.

#### 30 Comoros

Pray that the very small underground church would be strengthened and empowered, knowing the global Church is praying for them.

#### 31 Oman

Pray that Omani believers will find other Christians whom they can trust and walk out their faith and discipleship alongside.

# SEPTEMBER

#### 01 Jordan

Pray for believers who have converted from Muslim backgrounds, that they will find supportive and loving communities amid persecution.

#### 02 Cameroon

Pray for families who are grieving the loss of loved ones due to violence and extremism, that they will know the closeness of God.

#### 03 North Korea

Many believers do not know any other Christians. Pray that God will miraculously connect them with other Christians.

#### 04 Indonesia

Pray for Christian university students, that as anti-Christian sentiment rises, they will be salt and light on their campuses.

#### 05 Qatar

Pray for Christian immigrants, that God will use them to share the gospel with Qatari natives and build His church in Qatar.

#### 06 Mozambique

Pray for Christians living in areas that are susceptible to extremist attack, that they will keep following Jesus courageously.

#### 07 Libya

Pray for secret believers in Libya, that God will bless their time together and strengthen them as they gather in secret to worship Him.

# 08 Tunisia

As Christians feel less 'at home', pray for the church in Tunisia. May God remind them that He is still moving in this country.

# 09 Eritrea

Pray for the families of Christians who are imprisoned for their faith, that God will help them to love and forgive their persecutors.

# 10 Algeria

Pray for our brother, a church leader, who has been unjustly imprisoned in Algeria. May he be released and returned to his community.

# 11 Nicaragua

Pray for Pastor Horacio and his church as they disciple 324 individuals. Pray that God will strengthen them individually and as a community.

# 12 Somalia

Christians are violently persecuted by extremists and corrupt officials in Somalia. Pray that God will change their hearts and their lives.

# 13 Turkmenistan

Pray for both legal and secret churches who feel unsafe to meet, that God will provide safe spaces to worship in.

#### 14 Niger

Pray that, amid political instability, God will use His church to show their family and friends what the Kingdom of Heaven is like.

#### 15 Morocco

Pray that God will comfort Aizah, who was rejected by her family and kicked out of home for converting to Christianity.

# 16 Mauritania

There is a very small and fragile Christian community in Mauritania. Together, let's pray that they will get the resources and support they need.

# 17 Burkina Faso

Continue to pray for the leaders of Burkina Faso, that they will stand up to intimidating extremists and protect Christians from violence.

# 18 Syria

Pray for Ani and her family who fled their home due to persecution. Pray that they experience God's provision for His children.

#### 19 Mali

Pray for local partners who minister to believers in remote regions. May they be protected as they travel to support the Church.

# 20 China

Today, let us pray for government officials and politicians. May God reveal His truth and raise up influential followers of Jesus in the government.

# 21 Afghanistan

Pray for Afghan believers who are seeking refuge in other countries, that God will strengthen them and supply their every need.

#### 22 Pakistan

Pray for Christians facing false blasphemy accusations, that justice will be done, and that Christians will not be intimidated by the threats.

# 23 Sudan

Pray for Christians in Sudan who are grieving due to the war and ongoing persecution. Pray that they know the peace and joy of Christ.

# **24 Central African Republic**

Pray for Christians who feel isolated and unseen. Pray that they will feel encouraged by the prayers of the worldwide Church.

#### 25 Iran

Let us pray for the women who lead churches in Iran, that God will give them the strength they need to keep serving their communities.

# 26 Ethiopia

Pray for twins, Fasil and Ezana, that God will continue to grow them into young men who know and love Christ and share the gospel.

#### 27 Brunei

Pray that Christians who come from Buddhist backgrounds will navigate cultural pressures, such as festivals, with grace and truth.

#### 28 Kazakhstan

Pray for Christians who have come to know Jesus miraculously, that they will find support and love through the family of God.

#### 29 Iraq

Pray for those families who are grieving loved ones killed in a fire during a Christian wedding. May God comfort them and give them peace.

#### 30 Laos

Pray for Christians who have been expelled from their villages due to their faith in Christ, that God will bring them into a community of faith.

#### \*Names changed for security purposes.

All prayer points have been sent in from persecuted believers around the world. Thank you for praying for them.