

JOIN US IN PRAYER - AUGUST 2021

Week 1:	AUG 2-8 – PRAY FOR MINISTRIES IN EUROPE / EURASIA
MON 2	PRAY for a medical caravan planned for this month. Pray for our partners who are seeking ways to use medical care to reach their communities. Pray for the physicians and the whole team as they have opportunities to be the hands of Jesus.
TUES 3	PRAISE God for the arrival of new missionaries J. and H. who are both medical professionals. Pray as they adjust to life on the field, learn the culture, and study the language. Balancing life while caring for young children can be difficult during this transition.
WED 4	PRAY for rest for all of our missionary staff. After a long year with COVID-19, our missionaries are taking time to be with family, encourage their children, and build lasting memories. Pray they would be refreshed and ready for a busy fall.
THU 5	PRAY that medical training in rural villages of Central Asia will be able to resume again in September. We had to pause the training program because of COVID-19. Pray that God would use these trainings to open more opportunities for ministry.
FRI 6	PRAY for one of our team members who is building a relationship with a neighborhood fruit vendor. While we have many large projects, being intentional with the unreached people we meet every day is the reason we are there. Pray for the Holy Spirit to work in this man's heart and opportunities for our staff to clearly present the truth of Jesus.
SAT & SUN 7-8	WEEKEND PRAYER FOR UPGs PRAY for the Azeri Country: Azerbaijan Population: 8.8 million Language: Azerbaijani Main Religion: Islam Evangelical: 0.22% The Azeri's name is believed to have come from a 4th century Persian ruler, however "azer" is the Persian word for fire, and Azerbaijan means "the place of holy fire." The Azeri were first conquered by the Persians in the 6th century B.C. followed by the Turks, Ghengis Khan, and eventually incorporated into the Soviet Union. Today Azerbaijan, thanks to its oil production, is the most developed and powerful nation in that region. Pray for God to call believers to live and serve among the Azeri. Pray that God would raise up a strong and vibrant Azeri church. Pray that the Azeri would recognize that Jesus is Holy and that He is calling them to follow Him.
Week 2:	AUG 9-15 – PRAY FOR MINISTRIES IN ASIA PACIFIC
MON 9	PRAY for ministry in Bangladesh as we support a partner in providing COVID-19 education, medical checks, and personal protective equipment to an area of vulnerable and marginalized people in the capital city of Dhaka.
TUES 10	PRAISE for continuing construction of a new radio station in Nepal which will serve an unreached people group. Pray for our local partners as they prepare to serve the community through radio.
WED 11	PRAY for ministry partners in Indonesia as they navigate a severe third wave of COVID-19 infections in the country. Pray for the radio announcers as they reach out to people who are hurting with messages of peace and hope through Jesus Christ.
THU 12	PRAISE God for bringing healing to one of our ministry partners in Thailand. J. had experienced extreme pain for years after breaking his back in a motor vehicle accident, but recent surgery has been successful in relieving this pain. Pray for rapid recovery, successful rehab, and his return to helping Christian radio stations with their technical issues and government permissions.
FRI 13	PRAY for the pandemic relief that one of our Nepali radio partners is offering to families in need in their community. Pray that these families would recognize the gifts of food, cooking gas, and protective masks as a demonstration of Jesus' love.
SAT & SUN 14-15	WEEKEND PRAYER FOR UPGs PRAY for the Bedar (Hindu traditions) Country: India Population: 2.5 million Language: Kannada Main Religion: Hindu Evangelical: 0.00% The Bedar, which means "hunter," often serve as village police, soldiers, traders, messengers, laborers, or servants. Both Bedar men and women wear silver and gold jewelry. Bedar girls at the age of 4 or 5 are ritually tattooed on their forearms, forehead, temples, and corners of the eyes. Their primary Hindu deity is Shiva, the destroyer, and they have faith in soothsaying, sorcery, and astrology. Pray for opportunities for believers to share Christ with the Bedar. Pray that the Bedar would come to know that Jesus, their creator and Savior, who knows the past and the future, offers them freedom from their rituals, forgiveness of their sins, and new life in Him.
Week 3:	AUG 16-22 – PRAY FOR REFUGEE MINISTRIES IN GREECE
MON 16	PRAY for Ray and Kitty who are working in Greece with refugees from unreached people groups. Pray for wisdom, insight, and clear paths as they seek out and develop partnerships to reach the many unreached people pouring into the country.
TUE 17	PRAISE God for an emergency procedure that saved the life of one of our refugee ministry partners in Athens. Pray for our partner as she recovers from surgery. Pray that God will use this event to start conversations about spiritual things with people who are hurting.

WED 18	PRAY for our partners ministering to refugees on the island of Lesbos, the gateway for refugees coming from the Middle East. Pray as our partners adapt to the ever-changing plans of the government. New laws will cause thousands of people to soon be deported back to Turkey. Pray that the affected refugees would somehow encounter Jesus during this process.
THU 19	PRAISE God for increased unity among Christian ministries that are trying to reach refugees. We're thankful for amazing partners in this region who are committed to sharing the Gospel with people who have never known a follower of Jesus.
WED 20	PRAY for the many refugees who do not have freedom of movement and must stay in secure locations until their asylum requests have been processed. Pray for our ministry partners to be able to engage and reach them during this time.
SAT & SUN 21-22	WEEKEND PRAYER FOR UPGs PRAY for the Alawite Country: Syria Population: 1.3 million Language: Arabic Main Religion: Islam Evangelical: 0.02% The Alawis have long faced persecution and threat of extinction from Sunni Muslims who regarded the Alawis as heretics because of their secret beliefs. The Alawi believe that they are the chosen people of God, the only ones to have seen the light in a world of darkness. They believe that all people were stars in the world of light, but fell from there due to disobedience. Alawis believe they must be reincarnated seven times before they once again return to the stars. If they are sinful, they will be reborn as Christians until their atonement is complete. Infidels will be reborn as animals. Pray that the Alawi refugees would encounter believers in countries like Turkey and Greece, through whom Jesus shines brightly. Pray that God would open their eyes so they would see that Jesus is the light of the world, and that He alone is their Savior.
Week 4:	AUG 23-29 – PRAY FOR THE MINISTRY OF SHARE ENGLISH
MON 23	PRAISE God that there have been over 2 million downloads of our podcasts for English learners! This is a significant milestone for the ShareEnglish team and a major encouragement. Thank God for the opportunity to serve so many English learners by helping them to improve their English, and for the opportunity to touch their hearts and minds.
TUE 24	PRAY for our writers who continue to search for topics that resonate with listeners' lives and experiences. Many listeners tell us that our programs not only help them learn English but also improve their lives while learning about the world.
WED 25	PRAISE God for the continued increase in listeners to the ShareEnglish programs from the Middle East. We celebrate increased users on the website, increased downloads of podcasts, and increased subscribers to our email newsletters.
THU 26	PRAY for wisdom as we try to increase awareness of ShareEnglish programs and its offerings. Pray for wisdom on how to use the resources we have to best serve our listeners.
FRI 27	PRAY for the ShareEnglish team as they work to create a new website for conversation club leaders, together with a new training experience, and an application portal for prospective club leaders. Pray that the Lord will bless the team with clear minds as they work on these complex and interconnected tasks.
SAT & SUN 28-29	WEEKEND PRAYER FOR UPGs PRAY for the Tay Country: Vietnam Population: 1.8 million Language: Tay Main Religion: Ethnic Religions Evangelical: 0.2% The Tay were once master hunters, but today they are mostly peasant farmers working on community (or collective) farms growing wet rice and other crops. The Tay worship a multitude of gods associated with earth, water, fire, and important ancestors. The Tay are also animists who worship many other ghosts and spirits that occupy non-living objects. Pray that the Tay would recognize that Jesus is the one they should worship and that He can free them from their spiritual bondage. Pray that God would call people to go and share Christ with the Tay. Pray that the Holy Spirit would soften Tay hearts to hearing the story of Jesus. Pray that God would encourage and strengthen the few Tay believers. Pray that God would fill Tay believers with His Holy Spirit to empower them to boldly proclaim the Gospel.
Week 5:	AUG 30-SEP 3 – PRAY FOR MINISTRY IN NORTH AFRICA / MIDDLE EAST
MON 30	PRAY for wisdom as our missionaries continue discussions with possible ministry partnerships to serve the large migrant community from North Africa.
TUE 31	PRAISE God that team members Ty and Paula were able to get their vaccinations in Spain before they head to the USA. Pray for good connections, fellowship, and safety as they travel to meet with supporters, churches, and family. Pray for other team members who will also be traveling in August.
WED 1	PRAY for us and our national ministry partners. Pray for boldness and for perseverance in getting the Gospel to the nations. God has provided many unique ministry opportunities for this team to use social media and radio to proclaim His message.
THU 2	PRAISE God for several interested candidates for the position of Station Manager at Radio Vida. Pray for God's wisdom and direction in this process.
FRI 3	PRAISE God for His provision through generous partners during a time when many have faced burdens because of COVID-19. Praise God that we are able to continue the work He has given us.

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