

## JOIN US IN PRAYER - AUGUST 2022

Week 1: AUGUST 1-5 – PRAY FOR MINISTRIES IN ASIA PACIFIC	
<b>MON</b> <b>1</b>	<b>PRAY</b> for the Asia Pacific team as they meet together in Asia (Aug 1-3) for the first time in nearly three years. Pray for them as they plan and seek the Lord's guidance in future direction and engaging with partner ministries. Pray for God's wisdom, team unity and a renewed sense of calling. Pray that they also would be encouraged and excited about how God is working in each of their lives and ministries.
<b>TUE</b> <b>2</b>	<b>PRAISE</b> God for a new church in rural Thailand that came about as a result of one of our partner radio stations. Rejoice that these new believers have come together after listening to the station for many years. Pray for unity as they worship and seek the Lord together.
<b>WED</b> <b>3</b>	<b>PRAY</b> for Janice as she visits partner ministries in Thailand and Indonesia after doing training remotely for three years because of COVID-19. Pray for this very key opportunity to engage with important partners and radio station managers.
<b>THU</b> <b>4</b>	<b>PRAISE</b> God for how our perinatal program is growing and pray for the team as they think through logistics and sustainability. They've also had some tough cases recently. Pray for wisdom on how to best move forward in serving and loving these women!
<b>FRI</b> <b>5</b>	<b>PRAY</b> for the Asia Pacific radio planting team as they look to relocate their office to Thailand to be closer to partner stations. Pray for wisdom in working through all the details of the move and determining when would be the right time.
<b>SAT &amp; SUN</b> <b>6-7</b>	<b>WEEKEND PRAYER FOR UNREACHED PEOPLE GROUPS   Hajam</b> <b>Country:</b> India   <b>Population:</b> 2,331,000   <b>Language:</b> Urdu   <b>Main Religion:</b> Islam   <b>Evangelical:</b> 0.00% The Hajam have a long tradition of being barbers, hair-cutters and manicurists. Today many are respected owners of barber shops and salons all throughout India and neighboring countries like Pakistan and Nepal. Within the Muslim community the Hajam are an essential part of major life rituals and events as they trim hair for weddings and funerals and even perform circumcisions. Some Hajam also perform other services like extracting teeth, lancing boils, matchmaking and serving as midwives. They are Sunni Muslims who claim to have descended from the Biblical King Solomon, who Muslims regard as a prophet. At the same time, many married Hajam women will adorn themselves like Hindus with the traditional "Bindi" dot on their forehead along with some form of nose stud. As Muslims, they are free to eat beef, along with grains like rice, wheat and corn. There is little to no known ministry outreach to the Hajam. Pray that God would begin to work among the Hajam. Pray that they would choose to follow Him and then use their influence to reach others with the truth of the Gospel.
Week 2: AUGUST 8-12 – PRAY FOR MINISTRIES IN SUB-SAHARAN AFRICA	
<b>MON</b> <b>8</b>	<b>PRAY</b> for Russell Grainger and Bob Arend from Reach Beyond New Zealand as they are in Ghana this week to train partners and install SheepStations—part of a solar powered mobile phone charging station that provides downloadable Biblical content. Pray that God's Hand would be evident throughout every aspect of their trip.
<b>TUE</b> <b>9</b>	<b>PRAY</b> for the safe completion of the radio tower at a partner station in Ghana that had been severely damaged by a storm earlier this year. One of our engineers immediately traveled to the station and restored it to the air within hours but at greatly reduced coverage. Pray for this station which is strategically located to reach several unreached people groups within its broadcast area.
<b>WED</b> <b>10</b>	<b>PRAY</b> for the ongoing church planting efforts of one of our partners in West Africa, who we are helping with clean water wells. Pray that the Bible studies and new churches would continue to grow and that many people would become disciples of Jesus.
<b>THU</b> <b>11</b>	<b>PRAISE</b> God for the new radio station that Alex and Alfred installed in Liberia and for the responses so far. Praise God they were also able to make repairs at three other Christian stations. Pray that God's Word going out from these stations would change many lives.
<b>FRI</b> <b>12</b>	<b>PRAY</b> for Joseph and Sandy as they organize an online training and mentorship program to strengthen the ministries of our Reach Beyond partners. The training will take place this month and will focus on helping radio stations to minister more effectively to listeners.
<b>SAT &amp; SUN</b> <b>13-14</b>	<b>WEEKEND PRAYER FOR UNREACHED PEOPLE GROUPS   Nanumba</b> <b>Country:</b> Ghana   <b>Population:</b> 78,000   <b>Language:</b> Dagbani   <b>Main Religion:</b> Islam   <b>Evangelical:</b> 0.10% The Nanumba live in eastern Ghana between the White Volta and Oti Rivers. They are primarily farmers growing yams, peanuts and corn. Most farm work is done by men, but everyone helps during harvest. Hunting and fishing are other important sources of food and meat is shared with everyone in the village. Many Nanumba supplement their income by engaging in artisan crafts like weaving or carving. Some men leave their homes for several months to work on cocoa plantations in the south. The Nanumba have large family systems which are divided into hierarchical clan units. They live in clay huts within compact walled villages ruled by a chief who owns the land, and leases plots to other families. The chief controls the judicial system, the clan elders exercise moral authority, and the police enforce social order. The Nanumba have a relatively low standard of living with poor access to electricity or clean water. Tainted water drawn from dammed rivers carries Guinea worms that can lead to painful infections and cause serious disabilities. The Nanumba are Muslims but mix Islam with traditional religion including idol and ancestor worship. They believe the creator is unapproachable and so they look to local spirits for their daily needs. Pray for efforts to bring the Gospel to the Nanumba and ask God to move and make His presence known in a powerful way. Pray that His church would be established and that it would grow strong in faith.

<b>Week 3:</b>		<b>AUGUST 15-19 – PRAY FOR MINISTRIES IN EUROPE/EURASIA</b>
<b>MON 15</b>	<b>PRAY</b> for our missionaries who are returning from Home Ministry Assignment (HMA) as they readjust to life in the region and prepare to engage in ministry. Pray also for the parents, children, teachers and administrators as they get ready for school to begin.	
<b>TUE 16</b>	<b>PRAISE</b> God that Mario and Suzi have the opportunity to share the knowledge and experience they have acquired in media ministry with a possible partner in Macedonia. Pray that God would be glorified and His church strengthened as they help these believers.	
<b>WED 17</b>	<b>PRAY</b> for our Central Asian team members as they work on learning a local language after spending many years focusing on studying Russian. Pray that they would be able to learn things quickly and that they would find joy in the midst of the challenges.	
<b>THU 18</b>	<b>PRAY</b> as our team works on putting the Super Bible animated content into Ukrainian. Our media partner in Central Asia is leading this project—working in collaboration with our missionaries in Croatia.	
<b>FRI 19</b>	<b>PRAISE</b> God for the opportunity to hold a two-week medical caravan in a creative-access country. Pray for our local partners who have been able to use this ongoing ministry to take the Good News of Jesus Christ to many villages.	
<b>SAT &amp; SUN 20-21</b>	<b>WEEKEND PRAYER FOR UNREACHED PEOPLE GROUPS   Kulobi</b> <b>Country:</b> Tajikistan   <b>Population:</b> 866,000   <b>Language:</b> Tajik   <b>Main Religion:</b> Islam   <b>Evangelical:</b> 0.00% After the fall of the Soviet Union in 1990, unrest in Tajikistan led to a five-year civil war that devastated the country's people and economy. The war ended with the Kulobi as the dominant group in government, education and business. The Kulobi were traditionally semi-nomadic herders and many today live in cities in the winter and return to the countryside to farm their crops each year. The short growing season allows them to raise wheat, barley, fruits and vegetables. Like most Tajik people, the Kulobi are Sunni Muslims who try to obey the teaching of the Koran and the prophet Mohammed. They believe by following the Five Pillars of Islam they will go to heaven when they die, but that Allah determines who enters paradise. Many Kulobi also practice animistic folk religion and seek to appease the spirits who inhabit nature and objects around them. There are no known believers among the Kulobi. Pray for the person who will be the first Kulobi believer. Pray that their family would also be receptive to the Gospel. Pray that all Kulobi would soon recognize that Jesus is the Way, the Truth and the Life and that He is the only way to God, the Father. Pray that they would choose to follow Jesus.	
<b>Week 4:</b>		<b>AUGUST 22-26 – PRAY FOR MINISTRIES IN LATIN AMERICA</b>
<b>MON 22</b>	<b>PRAY</b> for the Apoyo team as they train pastors and leaders from Gospel Missionary Union (GMU) indigenous churches in the Ecuadorian provinces of Chimborazo, Bolívar, Tungurahua and Guayas. There are more than 60 churches and it will be a challenge to bring training and mentoring to this large group.	
<b>TUE 23</b>	<b>PRAY</b> for staffing needs at the Alliance Academy International (a Christian K-12 school in Quito, Ecuador) for the 2022-23 school year. They are especially looking for secondary teachers. Pray for the list of specific needs at: <a href="http://reachbeyond.org/aa">reachbeyond.org/aa</a>	
<b>WED 24</b>	<b>PRAY</b> for Corrientes Misioneras (Latino missionary training program) staff as they give webinars, hold a retreat with graduates, participate in missionary conferences for pastors of sending churches, and visit alumni in the countries where they serve.	
<b>THU 25</b>	<b>PRAISE</b> God for several new inquiries by people interested in serving with Voz y Manos – Ecuador. Pray for discernment and God's direction in how to go forward with these inquiries.	
<b>FRI 26</b>	<b>PRAY</b> for Miriam Gebb as she continues to collaborate and travel to communities with the ministry team from Compassion International. Pray for purposeful contact with health promoters and healthy collaboration with everyone involved.	
<b>SAT &amp; SUN 27-28</b>	<b>WEEKEND PRAYER FOR UNREACHED PEOPLE GROUPS   Duri</b> <b>Country:</b> Indonesia   <b>Population:</b> 147,000   <b>Language:</b> Duri   <b>Main Religion:</b> Islam   <b>Evangelical:</b> 0.04% The Duri live in a small mountainous area of southern Sulawesi Island. Most live by tending orchards, raising livestock and farming crops including coffee, rice, red onions and other vegetables. The Duri make a traditional cheese by boiling cow or water buffalo milk along with sap from papaya leaves or fruit. They pour the mixture into small coconut shells and later package the cheese in banana leaves for sale at local markets. The Duri are family oriented and their society is based on mutual help and cooperation. Social status is determined by education and wealth. The Duri are very open to learning things which can help raise their standard of living. Almost all Duri are Muslim, but combine it with traditional animistic beliefs. They rely on shamans to heal sickness and cast out evil spirits. Pray that the Duri would come to know that Jesus is the only one who can truly heal them and give them freedom. Pray for the small group of believers among the Duri—that they would grow strong in faith and be a shining light to everyone in their community.	
<b>Week 5:</b>		<b>AUGUST 29-31 – PRAY FOR REACH BEYOND MISSIONARIES</b>
<b>MON 29</b>	<b>PRAY</b> for DeNise Love during her Home Ministry Assignment in the United States. Pray she will have meaningful connections with her churches and supporters as well as a time of refreshment and renewal.	
<b>TUE 30</b>	<b>PRAISE</b> God for the arrival of new missionary Trevor in Asia Pacific. Pray for him as he adjusts to living and serving in new locations, languages and cultures. Pray for Trevor as he begins to do the good works that God prepared in advance for him to do.	
<b>WED 31</b>	<b>PRAY</b> for Alex's and Alfred's families as they live and serve in Sub-Saharan Africa. Ask the Lord to bring peace and security to their homes and neighborhoods—especially while they are away and working with partner ministries throughout the continent.	

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