

JOIN US IN PRAYER – AUGUST 2026

SAT & SUN 1-2	WEEKEND PRAYER FOR UNREACHED PEOPLE GROUPS Ryukyuan Country: Japan Population: 1,151,000 Language: Okinawan Main Religion: Ethnic Religions Evangelical: 0.1-2.0% The Ryukyuan are a tight-knit indigenous community from the Ryukyuan Islands. They are Ryukyuan first and Japanese second. During WWII, the Battle of Okinawa saw fierce fighting with roughly 250,000 casualties, including 20,195 American soldiers. The Ryukyuan are among the longest-living people in the world. They honor and worship their ancestors, whom they believe both watch over and protect their families. The Ryukyuan also worship spirits in the natural world and seek to live in harmony with nature. Women are highly esteemed with central roles as shamans and mediators in the spiritual world, as well as guardians of the home. Pray for believers to have opportunities to share their faith with the Ryukyuan. Pray that they would understand why Jesus, the Creator of the Universe, willingly died for their sins. Pray that they will choose to follow Jesus and put their trust in Him.
Week 1:	AUGUST 3-7 – PRAY FOR MINISTRIES IN SUB-SAHARAN AFRICA
MON 3	PRAY for Alfred and volunteer Colin as they research equipment needs for three unreached people group recording studios in the Horn of Africa. Praise God for these opportunities to use our skills and experience to assist Gospel media ministry efforts in that region.
TUE 4	PRAISE God for Wim and Emmanuel's time in Sierra Leone to deliver WASH (Water, Sanitation, and Hygiene) training to our radio partner there. Give thanks for the 15 participants who attended the training. Pray for this ministry as they are eager to share the Good News of Jesus with communities who don't have access to clean water and are asking the station for help.
WED 5	PRAISE God that our engineer, Alfred, was able to safely make two trips into South Sudan last month. One trip was to give hands-on technical training to a group of stations, and the other was to help a station get back on the air after it was devastated by a lightning strike. Pray for these radio ministries as they seek to share the Gospel across borders and in a very difficult place.
THU 6	PRAISE God that we were able to send a French-speaking trainer to invest in the staff and leadership of two new Christian radio stations in central Africa. Pray for these stations and the believers as they work to share Jesus and shine God's light in very spiritually dark parts of the region.
FRI 7	PRAISE God for a new partnership with a community development group that developed through our water well maintenance training earlier this year. This partner works in an area of Central Africa where there is very strong opposition against the Gospel. Yet God is using clean water projects to open doors into communities that had previously rejected any form of evangelism.
SAT & SUN 8-9	WEEKEND PRAYER FOR UNREACHED PEOPLE GROUPS Kanembu Country: Chad Population: 1,051,000 Language: Kanembu Main Religion: Islam Evangelical: 0.0-0.1% The Kanembu live in the arid desert region of northwest Chad and were once the most powerful tribe in central North Africa. The king converted to Islam in the 1200s and then conquered and converted many neighboring tribes. The dynasty went into decline in the 1500s and ended with the arrival of the French in the 1900s. However, there are still sultans and traditional rulers who hold more power and influence than government officials. The majority of Kanembu are farmers, while many others work at salt mines. Most are illiterate, or may only read and write the Arabic that they learn in Islamic schools. Kanembu is not yet a written language. Pray that God would take away the stony hearts of the Kanembu and give them new hearts and a new spirit in them. Pray that God would call workers to come live among the Kanembu in Chad. Pray that the Kanembu would choose to walk with Jesus and then share their new faith with other tribes.
Week 2:	AUGUST 10-14 – PRAY FOR MINISTRIES IN ASIA PACIFIC
MON 10	PRAY for Trevor and our partners as they plan a trip next month to repair equipment and upgrade lightning protection systems at a radio station in a closed country. Ask God to help them acquire all of the specific materials in that country to complete the project.
TUE 11	PRAISE God for what He is doing through a local church that runs a radio station in Thailand! Give thanks for this partner's persistent efforts to reach their region with the Gospel. Praise God for 13 listeners who have recently decided to follow Jesus.
WED 12	PRAY for Anita as she helps a radio station manager in central Indonesia with an event he's planning to help the station become better known in that community. Pray for all who will attend the event. Ask the Lord to lead everyone in that area to listen to the station so they can hear words of truth that will lead them to eternal life with Jesus.
THU 13	PRAY for wisdom and focus for Janice as she works to complete training videos in the Indonesian language. The training is designed to help radio announcers get a better grasp of the software used to schedule and play their station's daily programs.
FRI 14	PRAY for Christian radio efforts throughout the Asia Pacific region. Ask God to encourage the many people who continue to faithfully produce programs that meet the needs of their listeners and give them the opportunity to share the hope they've found through Jesus. Pray that God would move powerfully in the hearts of their listeners and that many would soon believe in Jesus.

SAT & SUN 15-16	WEEKEND PRAYER FOR UNREACHED PEOPLE GROUPS Namassej (Hindu traditions) Country: Bangladesh Population: 2,805,000 Language: Bengali Main Religion: Hinduism Evangelical: 0.1-2.0% The majority of Namassej are day laborers, while others work as rickshaw-pullers or poultry farmers. They are hard-working people who are very lively, enthusiastic, and conscious of their own identity. Their literacy rate is low, though it has improved in recent years. The Namassej are practicing Hindus who primarily worship Laksmi and Parameshwar. Pray that the Namassej would value education and send their children to school. Pray for the Good News of Jesus to reach their communities through radio, films, and recordings. Pray that they would truly come to know who Jesus is and follow Him fully.
Week 3:	AUGUST 17-21 – PRAY FOR MINISTRIES IN EUROPE/EURASIA
MON 17	PRAY for Mario and Suzi as they explore how to establish a media hub in the Balkans. This will be a collaborative project with other media ministries in the region to help facilitate training, content creation, and sharing of resources.
TUE 18	PRAY for a small group of Reach Beyond missionaries as they head to a restrictive country in the region next month for a second visit to provide training on video production and social media, and to develop the emerging partnership. The church in that nation is eager to share the hope of Jesus with those around them, and we are looking at how we can serve as a catalyst for this.
WED 19	PRAY for one of our team members who lives in a former Soviet country as they lead and facilitate a number of impactful media ministries across the Russian-speaking world. Pray for one of those ministries as they run a music festival in a large city as an outreach event. Pray that many friendships and connections would be made with people who don't yet know Jesus.
THU 20	PRAY for each of the medical mission workers who are returning to creative access countries after being on Home Ministry Assignment. Ask God to refresh them and inspire their hearts to the things He has prepared for them to do. Give thanks for their local team members who enabled various ministry activities to continue while they were away.
FRI 21	PRAY for One Heart, a ministry partner that is reaching Afghan and Iranian refugees in Greece. Pray that they would soon receive a much-needed license that will enable them to grow their medical ministry. Pray that God would expand the spiritual impact of their ministry and multiply the growing Farsi-speaking church that meets at the clinic.
SAT & SUN 22-23	WEEKEND PRAYER FOR UNREACHED PEOPLE GROUPS Hausa Country: Nigeria Population: 41,077,000 Language: Hausa Main Religion: Islam Evangelical: 0.1-2.0% The Hausa are the largest ethnic group in West Africa and are very influential politically and culturally. The Hausa have been doing long-distance trading throughout Africa and the Middle East for many centuries. As a result, Islam was introduced to the tribe sometime before the 16th century. Hausa culture is very strongly tied to Islam, which makes it difficult for them to be reached with the Gospel. These deep religious ties have also led to intense persecution of Hausa believers. Pray that God would encourage and protect the Hausa believers. Ask God to send Christians to share His Good News with the Hausa in Nigeria. Pray that God would establish a vibrant and thriving church among this people group.
Week 4:	AUGUST 24-28 – PRAY FOR REACH BEYOND MISSIONARIES AND STAFF
MON 24	PRAY for the children of our missionaries as they prepare to begin school again this fall. Pray for those who will be going to college/university and the many adjustments that come from being away from family and in a different environment. Pray that God would guide their steps, and that they would grow stronger in wisdom and stature, and in favor with God and man.
TUE 25	PRAY for radio trainer Janice who has a rotator cuff injury in her right shoulder. Ask God to give her healing from the pain she is experiencing every day and pray for wise management of her recovery activities.
WED 26	PRAY for our missionaries as they engage in many different ministries beyond their day-to-day assignment. Ask God to bless their efforts, whether it is discipling people one-on-one or in group Bible studies, ministering in a crisis pregnancy center, sharing Jesus through an English conversation group, or serving however God leads them. Pray that He would accomplish His purposes.
THU 27	PRAY for our missionaries, staff, retirees, partners, and friends of the mission who are experiencing many different medical challenges. Pray for God's healing and relief from pain. Ask God to give wisdom to those who are providing care. Pray that God's presence, power, peace, and grace would be evident in every situation.
FRI 28	PRAY that God would send us many more missionaries and volunteers who are ready to use their God-given skills and abilities to help people from every tribe, language, and nation to hear the Good News of Jesus.
SAT & SUN 29-30	WEEKEND PRAYER FOR UNREACHED PEOPLE GROUPS Baiga Country: India Population: 602,000 Language: Hindi Main Religion: Hinduism Evangelical: Unknown The Baiga people are part of the larger linguistically-linked group known as Romani. They have maintained a mystical lifestyle that keeps them somewhat socially separate from their surrounding communities. They have high moral standards, and many incorporate folk beliefs into their Hindu practices. Most live in poverty, and an unsanitary lifestyle has created many physical needs among them. The quality of health care, nutrition, and education is poor. Most children do not attend school because their families are always on the move. Pray that the Baiga would want to be part of God's family and choose to follow Him.
Week 5:	AUGUST 31 – PRAY FOR MINISTRIES IN NORTH AFRICA/MIDDLE EAST
MON 31	PRAY for the Ephraim Project team as they seek to reach Persian-speakers with the Good News of Jesus in the midst of much turmoil and uncertainty in the region. Ask God to give the volunteers wisdom as they respond to difficult questions. Pray for the new believers who are being discipled by the Ephraim team. Ask God to help them grow strong in their faith.

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