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Week 1: DECEMBER 7-11 – PRAY FOR VOICE MINISTRIES	
MON 7	PRAISE God for the ministry partnership between Reach Beyond NZ and TheoVision to develop a network of SheepStation wireless devices (providing radio and on-demand Gospel content to mobile phones) that will be placed on solar powered light poles in villages across Ghana. Pray for inspiration for us and improved Internet connectivity for our partner as we continue to develop a system that can deliver specific content to individual villages.
TUE 8	PRAISE for renewed life for Radio Vida in La Linea, Spain! Praise God for a generous donation from Canada for the continuation of this ministry. Pray for wisdom and collaboration as the team meets with local pastors and other potential broadcast partners. Pray for trained staff and new missionaries to join the ministry.
WED 9	PRAISE God for the New Zealand supporters who have donated funds to print the first six SuperBible comics in both the English and New Zealand Maori languages. Pray that the translation and proofreading could be completed quickly so that we can get these comics printed and into the hands of those who need them by Christmas.
THU 10	PRAISE the Lord that new Christian radio programs have been produced and aired every week in a region of Russia despite lock-down challenges. This work has been supported by Reach Beyond Sweden since the 1990s. Praise the Lord for a listener who recently accepted Jesus and can now be a support for her family who is suffering from serious illness and broken relationships. Pray that our partner will continue to be able to find finances to pay for the radio time.
FRI 11	PRAY for Broadcast Engineer Steve Sutherland along with the staff and volunteers who maintain our three 100 KW transmitters, the antenna arrays and property at Kununurra, Australia. Praise God for their technical expertise and for the excellent signal quality being received by our listeners around the world.
SAT & SUN 12-13	WEEKEND PRAYER FOR UPGs PRAY for the Turkmen Country: Turkmenistan Population: 4.58 million Language: Turkmen Main Religion: Islam Evangelical: 0.00% The majority of Turkmen live in Turkmenistan, which is located in south Central Asia along the Caspian Sea. Many others live in the surrounding nations of Kazakhstan, Iran, Afghanistan and Uzbekistan. Turkmen culture has been strongly influenced by both the Turkic conquerors who imposed their language on them and the Arabs who forced them to convert to Islam. Long ago, the Turkmen developed a strong ethnic identity as “children of the desert” because they would plunder rich caravans of Persian traders. Tribal, clan, and family loyalties continue to have a strong influence over the people. Turkmen will only marry within their tribes, and arranged marriages are common. Ask God to strengthen, encourage, and protect the small number of Turkmen believers. Pray that these Christ followers will have opportunities and the boldness to share the Gospel with their own people.
Week 2: DECEMBER 14-18 – PRAY FOR HANDS MINISTRIES	
MON 14	PRAY for our medical professionals as they demonstrate Jesus to patients, family members, co-workers, peers, and people in their community. Pray that God would protect their health and shine through them as they minister to people’s physical and spiritual needs.
TUE 15	PRAY that God would open doors for Reach Beyond UK’s community development projects to continue in the midst of COVID restrictions. Pray that communities and hearts will be opened to hear the Gospel through these projects.
WED 16	PRAISE God for the unity, commitment, and care of the staff at Hospital Vozandes and the Carapungo Clinic in Ecuador. Thank God for the continued testimony they are able to bring to the people they serve.
THU 17	PRAY for Reach Beyond Sweden’s partners in Russia as their ministry among children living on the streets is very challenging during the current COVID situation. There are greater needs than normal with less resources than usual. Praise the Lord that several families have adopted a street-kid to live in their homes temporarily to give them a bit of rest from street life.
FRI 18	PRAY for our chaplains at Hospital Vozandes Quito as they minister to patients and their families. Pray that God would guide them in knowing how to best provide prayer, spiritual care, and present the Gospel during what can be difficult circumstances. Praise God for the impact the chaplaincy program continues to have and for the hundreds of people who come to know Christ each year through their work.
SAT & SUN 19-20	WEEKEND PRAYER FOR UPGs PRAY for the Zaza-Dimli Country: Turkey Population: 1.74 million Language: Zazaki, Southern Main Religion: Islam Evangelical: 0.00% The Zaza are a nomadic people who live in the middle-eastern part of Turkey. The majority of Zaza people consider themselves to be a part of the Kurdish people. However, the Zaza can trace their roots to the Persians and Medes. Zaza society is traditionally patriarchal, and their traditions and history are passed on orally. The Zaza people remain largely illiterate. They live in valleys and mountains as nomadic people, shepherding their livestock and relying on agricultural products. Pray that God would move in their hearts and that there would be opportunities for believers to go and share God’s Word and stories about Jesus with them.

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Week 3: DECEMBER 21-25 – PRAY FOR REACH BEYOND PARTNERS	
MON 21	PRAY for our WhatsApp (social media) Project in India in partnership with Christianityworks. The app is used to send COVID-related health updates and encouraging messages of hope in English, Tamil, Kannada, Marathi, and Hindi.
TUE 22	PRAY for a partner ministry in Central Asia as they seek the Lord's guidance and wisdom for their planned activities for the next three months. Pray for this partner as they prepare to host a conference about marriage and family.
WED 23	PRAISE God for a partner ministry in India who has requested to translate "Talk with God" radio spots, originally scripted and produced by Reach Beyond New Zealand. This ministry partner wants to make these messages available through a WhatsApp service which is experiencing great success.
THU 24	PRAISE God for bringing more listeners to the programs of our Arabic media partner. The feedback is very positive! In the first ten months of this year, 22 people contacted the station to make a profession of faith. Our partner currently has ongoing discipleship with 43 people, including 20 new people from this year. Pray for wisdom for the staff as they produce programs and interact with listeners.
FRI 25	PRAISE God for the gift of Jesus, the Light of the world. Pray for the unreached to hear about Jesus, see Him in action, and receive the greatest gift of all time!
SAT & SUN 26-27	WEEKEND PRAYER FOR UPGs PRAY for the Chhetri Country: Nepal Population: 4.19 million Language: Nepali Main Religion: Hinduism Evangelical: less than 2% The Nepalese Chhetri are the major ethnic group in Nepal. They speak Nepali, which is the country's official language. The Chhetri have many racial, cultural, and linguistic similarities to the people of northern India. Their domestic and religious practices are also similar to the higher Hindu castes of India. The Chhetri have held onto their traditional animistic beliefs (a belief that non-human objects have spirits). They recognize local gods, goblins, and spirits and also believe in ghosts and demons that haunt the crossroads and rivers. The Chhetri make offerings to these spirits in order to appease them. With Hinduism embracing 330 million gods, Nepal's capital, Kathmandu, has more temples, houses, and idols than people. Pray that the Chhetri would encounter Nepali believers and recognize the peace, forgiveness, joy, and freedom that is only found through Jesus.
Week 4: DECEMBER 28 - JANUARY 1 – PRAY FOR REACH BEYOND WORLDWIDE	
MON 28	PRAY for our missionaries as they faithfully serve around the world. Pray that God would use them as His voice and hands to proclaim and demonstrate His Good News to those they come in contact with each day. Pray that God would give them strength, protect their health, provide for their needs, encourage their hearts, and fill them with joy.
TUE 29	PRAISE God for how he has connected Reach Beyond with hundreds of ministry partners around the world. Pray that God would continue to strengthen these partnerships as we work together to reach unreached peoples with the Gospel.
WED 30	PRAY for the leaders of Reach Beyond as they have been prioritizing and planning the ministry activities for 2021. Pray for God to continue to provide finances and resources for the numerous ministry opportunities.
THU 31	PRAISE God for the opportunities to proclaim and demonstrate the Gospel throughout 2020 despite challenges caused by COVID. Praise God for what He did through Reach Beyond this year. Praise God for those who have accepted Jesus and are now a part of the family of God. Pray for those who don't yet know Jesus.
FRI 1	PRAISE God for the gift of a New Year. Pray for Reach Beyond ministries to see God's grace and favor in 2021 and that our missionaries and staff would be walking in-step with the Spirit's leading.
SAT & SUN 2-3	WEEKEND PRAYER FOR UPGs PRAY for the Kayastha Country: Bangladesh Population: 1.8 million Language: Bengali Main Religion: Hinduism Evangelical: 0.00% There are no known followers of Christ among the Kayastha in Bangladesh, and there are very few believers who speak Bengali as their first language. The Kayastha are a highly influential and intellectual caste that has long been regarded for their administrative, writing, and record keeping abilities. Bangladesh is a country that allows few opportunities to share the gospel, even with the Hindu minorities like the Kayasthas. The Kayasthas have high prestige which can easily give them the false impression that they do not need a savior to save them from sin. Pray that believers with a high-status background would have opportunities to share their faith with the Kayastha. Pray that the Kayastha would recognize that only Jesus Christ is worthy of their attention, and that they will follow Him.

From all of us at Reach Beyond, thank you for praying! May God give you joy as you celebrate Christmas and the birth of our Savior, and look forward to what He has for you in the New Year!

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