

## JOIN US IN PRAYER – FEBRUARY 2025

<b>SAT &amp; SUN 1-2</b>	<b>WEEKEND PRAYER FOR UNREACHED PEOPLE GROUPS   Vietnamese</b> <b>Country:</b> Vietnam   <b>Population:</b> 82,810,000   <b>Language:</b> Vietnamese   <b>Main Religion:</b> Buddhism   <b>Evangelical:</b> 1.4% There are 118 people groups in Vietnam, but by far the largest group is the Vietnamese. They are an ethnic group that originated in Northern Vietnam and Southern China. Vietnamese traditional life has revolved around family, faith, and fields—a rural existence that has continued for centuries at the same pace. The Vietnamese originally practiced animism and a form of ancestor worship before incorporating Buddhist, Taoist, and Confucianism beliefs. Vietnam is a communist state, yet many people still practice the old forms of worship. Pray for unity and reconciliation as bitter divisions from the war years remain today. Pray for the minority Christians in the country as they are increasingly repressed. Pray that believers would remain strong in their faith and be a witness to their people.
<b>Week 1:</b>	<b>FEBRUARY 3-7 – PRAY FOR MINISTRIES IN NORTH AFRICA/MIDDLE EAST</b>
<b>MON 3</b>	<b>PRAISE</b> God for how He is at work throughout North Africa and the Middle East—inviting many people to follow Him. Pray for our Arabic media partner as they develop new mobile applications to disciple believers as well as reach non-believers. Praise God for the faithful and generous donors who enable ministries in this region.
<b>TUE 4</b>	<b>PRAY</b> as work continues on building the thick concrete walls of the Mbingo Radiotherapy Project in Cameroon. The concrete is mixed on-site and requires a constant supply of sand and cement, which can only be delivered when road conditions are favorable and safe from rebel threats. Pray that God would continue to protect the workers and staff and bring an end to the civil conflicts in the country.
<b>WED 5</b>	<b>PRAY</b> for God's wisdom and direction as we investigate shortwave radio reception and ministry opportunities in an area of North Africa. Praise God for arranging these new contacts with listeners and potential program content developers.
<b>THU 6</b>	<b>PRAY</b> for preparations to deliver plastic recycling equipment for the new Trash 2 Treasure installation in Athens, Greece. Pray for our partners as they use this project to share the transforming power of the Gospel with people who are often marginalized.
<b>FRI 7</b>	<b>PRAY</b> that God would lead university students from around the world to participate in the Summer Media Experience that will take place in La Linea, Spain, May 18-June 7. Pray for our team as they plan and prepare for the program. Pray as we seek ways to involve local Spanish churches in this experience. Learn more at: <a href="https://reachbeyond.org/spain2025">reachbeyond.org/spain2025</a>
<b>SAT &amp; SUN 8-9</b>	<b>WEEKEND PRAYER FOR UNREACHED PEOPLE GROUPS   Sorani Kurds</b> <b>Country:</b> Iraq   <b>Population:</b> 3,397,000   <b>Language:</b> Central Kurdish   <b>Main Religion:</b> Islam   <b>Evangelical:</b> 0.03% The Kurds trace their heritage back to the Medes of ancient Persia. It is likely that the wise men who traveled to see Jesus at his birth were Zoroastrian priests, ancestors of the modern Kurds. The Kurds have faced much discrimination throughout modern history and are the largest ethnic group without a state of their own. They hold strong loyalty to their immediate family and then to their tribe. Most Kurds are Muslim but hold their faith lightly and still connect with their ancient Zoroastrian faith. Pray that the Kurds would come to know Jesus as the Light of the World. Pray that those who walk in the Light would have fellowship and unity with one another.
<b>Week 2:</b>	<b>FEBRUARY 10-14 – PRAY FOR MINISTRIES IN SUB-SAHARAN AFRICA</b>
<b>MON 10</b>	<b>PRAISE</b> God for how He has used the broadcasts of Radio "The Voice of the Creator God" to massively grow the church in Northern Madagascar. Praise God that Alfred was able to go there last month to help with some technical issues and give in-person technical training to the station, which Reach Beyond helped launch in 2016. Pray that God would continue to bless the ministry of this partner as they share the Good News of Jesus with listeners each day.
<b>TUE 11</b>	<b>PRAY</b> for all of the preparations for Wim's trip to Benin at the end of February to spend two weeks with our community development partner, visiting well projects, providing training to the partner, and teaching at a local ministry conference. Pray too for Wim and his family as they prepare to relocate back to the Netherlands and continue work and ministry from there. Ask God to help them as they look for a place to call home and adjust to the many changes, including new schools for their children.
<b>WED 12</b>	<b>PRAY</b> for our media training team as we plan and arrange courses throughout the year to enhance and grow the ministries of our many partners. Pray that God would guide our team in knowing how best to encourage, equip, and empower each station.
<b>THU 13</b>	<b>PRAISE</b> God for the new handpump well training course in Ivory Coast that we are creating in partnership with Friends International. This hands-on course will help our partners to better oversee well drilling and handpump installation projects.
<b>FRI 14</b>	<b>PRAY</b> for the safe delivery and quick customs clearance of equipment sent to Tanzania for the first two repeater stations/transmitters that will help expand our partner's Gospel broadcasts across the country!

<b>SAT &amp; SUN 15-16</b>	<b>WEEKEND PRAYER FOR UNREACHED PEOPLE GROUPS   Idaca</b> <b>Country:</b> Benin   <b>Population:</b> 197,000   <b>Language:</b> Ede Idaca   <b>Main Religion:</b> Ethnic Religions   <b>Evangelical:</b> 0.7% The Idaca are one of 64 distinct people groups found in Benin. They are subsistence farmers growing millet and sorghum as the staple crops. Depending on the conditions, they also grow melons, onions, bananas, cucumbers, eggplant, rice, taro, yams, tobacco, and tomatoes. Farming methods are very basic, with the hoe being the primary tool for cultivation. While the church in Benin is experiencing significant growth, few of the Idaca have ever heard a clear Gospel presentation. Pray for local testimony among the Idaca. Pray for continued growth of the church, and for God to be glorified throughout this nation.
<b>Week 3:</b>	<b>FEBRUARY 17-21 – PRAY FOR MINISTRIES IN EUROPE/EURASIA</b>
<b>MON 17</b>	<b>PRAY</b> for the health of our people and families in Central Asia during the smoggy/smokey winter months when air pollution is at its worst. Ask God to protect them and give them His grace for each day. Pray they would have opportunities to share God's love with those around them who are also suffering from increased respiratory issues, headaches, and migraines.
<b>TUE 18</b>	<b>PRAY</b> for our missionaries and local staff in the region. Ask God to strengthen and grow their personal relationship with Him, with their spouse, their family, and each other. Pray that they would continue to be faithful examples of what it means to follow Jesus.
<b>WED 19</b>	<b>PRAY</b> for two of our missionary doctors as they minister to people needing hospice/end-of-life care and their families. Pray that God would give them wisdom and grace as they navigate the challenges of limited medicine/medical supplies, competing traditional practices, and cultural complexities. Pray that all of the permissions they need to officially operate would be quickly granted.
<b>THU 20</b>	<b>PRAY</b> for the local believers we work alongside and partner with, in countries that are restrictive to the Gospel. Pray that God would protect them and help them as they seek to disciple and lead the next generation of believers.
<b>FRI 21</b>	<b>PRAISE</b> God for the impact that Ray and Kitty had as they ministered to refugees, unreached people, and believers in Greece. Pray that God will make the seeds of the Gospel, which they planted and watered, to grow and become fruitful. Pray for Ray and Kitty as they adjust to returning to the States and begin the next chapter of their lives.
<b>SAT &amp; SUN 22-23</b>	<b>WEEKEND PRAYER FOR UNREACHED PEOPLE GROUPS   Turkmen</b> <b>Country:</b> Turkmenistan   <b>Population:</b> 5,007,000   <b>Language:</b> Turkmen   <b>Main Religion:</b> Islam   <b>Evangelical:</b> 0.00% The majority of Turkmen live in Turkmenistan, which is located in south Central Asia along the Caspian Sea. 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.
<b>Week 4:</b>	<b>FEBRUARY 24-28 – PRAY FOR MINISTRIES IN ASIA PACIFIC</b>
<b>MON 24</b>	<b>PRAY</b> for the members of our team who are traveling to Thailand this week for in-person meetings and to attend Trevor and Kaew's wedding. Pray for God's blessings on this new couple as they begin life together and serve Him with their talents.
<b>TUE 25</b>	<b>PRAISE</b> God for the delivery of 900 solar-powered SonSet radios in a partnership with SonSet Solutions and the Asia Pacific region. Pray that God would guide our station partners as they begin to strategically distribute these radios to people in their communities. Pray that these radios would result in many people, families, and even entire villages to follow Jesus.
<b>WED 26</b>	<b>PRAY</b> for Janice as she writes devotionals called "Friends in Faith" that can be easily adapted for use by our radio partners. Praise God that the devotionals are already being used in two countries in the region and for a new opportunity in Thailand. Ask God to guide her and our partners as they seek ways to engage listeners with spiritual truths in culturally appropriate ways.
<b>THU 27</b>	<b>PRAY</b> for one of our partners who is trying to use radio to reach people ages 35-50 in a community that will not listen to explicitly Christian content or even a "Christian" radio station. Pray that God would guide the station staff as they seek to build an audience and begin softening the hearts of this demographic so that they would become open to hearing the Good News of Jesus.
<b>FRI 28</b>	<b>PRAY</b> for our team as they participate in a conference next week with people who are working to reach the Rohingya with the Gospel. Ask God to show us ways we can use radio, digital media, and healthcare to further engage this unreached people group. Praise God for a recent conversation that one of our missionaries had with someone from this people group, which resulted in them proclaiming, "I want to follow Jesus!"
<b>SAT &amp; SUN MAR 1-2</b>	<b>WEEKEND PRAYER FOR UNREACHED PEOPLE GROUPS   Qassab</b> <b>Country:</b> India   <b>Population:</b> 1,215,000   <b>Language:</b> Urdu   <b>Main Religion:</b> Islam   <b>Evangelical:</b> 0.0% The Qassab people are found throughout northern India. Qassab is an Arabic word that means "to cut" and aptly describes this traditional caste of professional butchers and slaughterers of animals and selling meat. The Qassab people are known today by many other names and also work in business or as daily laborers. They are entirely Sunni Muslims and adhere to the Islamic code of conduct with regard to marriage, divorce, remarriage, and the inheritance of property. Their sacred specialist is the Qazi, who performs worship and other rituals. Pray that God would open the hearts of the Qassab to hearing the Gospel message.

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