

JOIN US IN PRAYER – JANUARY 2026

Week 1: JANUARY 1-2 – PRAY FOR MINISTRIES IN SUB-SAHARAN AFRICA	
THU 1	PRAY for Reach Beyond as we begin a new year of ministry. Praise God for the many opportunities that He has given us to work alongside local believers around the world who are passionate about reaching their communities with the Gospel. Pray that God would direct our paths, guide our conversations, and provide everything needed to accomplish His purposes.
FRI 2	PRAISE God for two new clean water wells installed in West Africa last month as part of an indigenous-led church-planting effort. Pray for our partner's evangelists as they share the Gospel. Pray that everyone in these villages would choose to follow Jesus.
SAT & SUN 3-4	WEEKEND PRAYER FOR UNREACHED PEOPLE GROUPS Tanala Country: Madagascar Population: 1,639,000 Language: Malagasy, Merina Main Religion: Ethnic Evangelical: 0.1-2% The Tanala are a Malagasy people living in a forested inland region of southeastern Madagascar. Translated to "People of the Forest," the Tanala are skilled woodsmen, food gatherers, and hunters. They trade in beeswax, honey, and other forest products and engage in slash-and-burn agriculture. Their ethnic religion is deeply rooted within their identity, making it even more difficult to accept Christianity. Pray for the small number of believers among the Tanala. Pray that many more will come to faith in Christ.
Week 2: JANUARY 5-9 – PRAY FOR MINISTRIES IN EUROPE/EURASIA	
MON 5	PRAISE God for adding a new member to our palliative care ministry in a restrictive country, who is a local believer and trained as a social worker. Ask God to grow this ministry to patients and their families during a very difficult season of life.
TUE 6	PRAY for a short-term team from the United Kingdom as they are ministering this month to refugees at Lesbos, Greece. Pray for Cliff as he serves as team leader for the first time. Pray for each refugee to see Jesus through their words and efforts.
WED 7	PRAISE God for a local physician in a restrictive country who wants to be trained in physical therapy. Pray for her as she works to complete her government training, and that she will be able to start serving with our team soon.
THU 8	PRAY for Mario and Suzi as they lead our media ministry in the Balkans. Pray for God's wisdom and direction as they look at developing a media network across several countries in the region.
FRI 9	PRAISE for our families serving in an area where smoke, smog, and air pollution are quite severe this time of year. There are restrictions on how much time children can spend outside during school and what activities they can do. Pray for the health and mental wellness of both children and parents in this season.
SAT & SUN 10-11	WEEKEND PRAYER FOR UNREACHED PEOPLE GROUPS Karachay Country: Russia Population: 226,000 Language: Karachay-Balkar Main Religion: Islam Evangelical: <0.1% The Karachay live in the North Caucasus region of southwestern Russia. They have had a long and difficult history of being conquered, including by the Mongol-Turks in the 14th Century (who converted them to Islam), the Russian Czars in the 19th Century, and the Germans during WWII. When Stalin reconquered the Karachay after the war, he deported them to remote parts of Central Asia as a reprisal for "accepting" German rule. Some 35% of the Karachay died during that forced relocation. Most Karachay have returned to their homeland and have preserved much of their heritage and cultural traditions. There are fewer than 50 known followers of Jesus. Pray that God would strengthen, encourage, and multiply the church by His Spirit. Pray that the believer's daily demonstration of God's love and redemptive grace would cause people to ask about the hope that they have found in Christ. Pray that the Karachay would choose to follow Jesus and find refuge in Him.
Week 3: JANUARY 12-16 – PRAY FOR REACH BEYOND MISSIONARIES AND STAFF	
MON 12	PRAY for Rusty and Rose as they are completing their teaching license renewal process. Pray for God's wisdom as they teach, encourage, and speak biblical truth into the lives of missionary kids and other expatriate children in a restrictive country.
TUE 13	PRAY that our missionaries and staff would be diligent in carving out time to intentionally retreat and be alone with God so they may be renewed and restored in Him. Pray that they would be the voice and hands of Jesus in everything they do.
WED 14	PRAY for our many people, partners, and friends of the mission who are experiencing significant health challenges. Ask God to give wisdom to those who are providing care. Pray that God's peace and joy would be evident in every situation and that His grace would be sufficient for each day.
THU 15	PRAISE God for our missionaries and staff who faithfully serve behind the scenes to support Reach Beyond's missionaries and ministries worldwide. Pray that God would give them wisdom and joy in everything they do.
FRI 16	PRAY for our missionaries who are serving far away from family, children, and aging parents. Ask God to give them peace whenever their hearts are heavy, especially when loved ones back home are experiencing illnesses or crises. Pray that God would guide and give our missionaries wisdom in each circumstance, and that He would meet each physical, emotional, and spiritual need.

SAT & SUN 17-18	WEEKEND PRAYER FOR UNREACHED PEOPLE GROUPS Bafinda Country: Pakistan Population: 108,000 Language: Pahari-Potwari Main Religion: Islam Evangelical: 0-0.1% The name Bafinda was derived from the Persian word baften, or cotton dresser, which has been their traditional occupation. When foreign-made fabrics caused a decline in cotton cultivation, the Bafinda mostly shifted to carpet weaving. Today, they engage in many different vocations. The Bafinda generally only marry within their own community and follow the Islamic law of inheritance. Pray that God would open doors for believers to engage with the Bafinda. Pray for those who have been working on translating portions of Scripture. Pray for seeds of the Gospel to be planted among the Bafinda and that their eyes would be opened to the Good News and the saving power of Jesus Christ.
Week 4:	JANUARY 19-23 – PRAY FOR RADIO AND DIGITAL MEDIA MINISTRIES WORLDWIDE
MON 19	PRAY for our team as they provide training this week and next to help radio partners in Sub-Saharan Africa to navigate politics. Our radio partners are often under tremendous pressure to communicate specific views from government officials and political parties. Pray that God would help our partners to be a beacon of Christ's light as they serve as peacemakers.
TUE 20	PRAY for our missionaries, media teams, and ministry partners who are working in or ministering to places that are hostile to the Gospel. Ask God to protect them from evil and give them words to say in every program, social media post, text message, and chat room. Pray as they engage with people who are looking for truth, as well as those who attack any mention of Jesus.
WED 21	PRAISE God for the many people who have come to know Jesus and been discipled through our Arabic media partnership this past year. God is doing amazing things! Pray that each of these new believers would become strong in their faith.
THU 22	PRAY for our Share English team as they produce radio/digital media content for people seeking to improve their English language skills. Pray too for the volunteers who lead in-person and online English conversation clubs around the world. Pray that God would help them develop trusted friendships with English learners that will open more doors to share about Jesus.
FRI 23	PRAY for our many radio partners around the world who seek to share the Good News of Jesus with their communities. Pray for God to grant broadcast licenses in places where there is no Gospel radio. Ask God to encourage station managers who faithfully serve. Pray that He would provide the people and finances that they need to run their station each day.
SAT & SUN 24-25	WEEKEND PRAYER FOR UNREACHED PEOPLE GROUPS Lu Mien Country: China Population: 1,282,000 Language: Lu Mien Main Religion: Ethnic Evangelical: 0.1-2% The Lu Mien are the largest subgroup of the Yao people and have a history of fleeing persecution. Legend states that there was a dispute between Lu Mien King Pan and the Chinese Emperor over some territory. Being outnumbered in people and weapons, King Pan agreed to surrender the territories and accepted a treaty that allowed the Lu Mien people to freely live and travel in the hills and mountains. Lu Mien are Daoists who believe Pan created the world. They have several centuries of preserved literature, which includes Taoist rituals written in Chinese characters. Pray for the Lu Mien to see Jesus as Lord. Pray for those who hear the Gospel to receive it and to walk in the truth. Pray for the small number of Lu Mien believers to be bold in sharing Jesus.
Week 5:	JANUARY 26-31 – PRAY FOR MINISTRIES IN ASIA PACIFIC
MON 26	PRAY for Rachel as she continues to walk with Rohingya women and children in Southeast Asia. Ask God to give her wisdom as she shares stories of Jesus, teaches about character development, and discusses trauma healing. Pray that God would also send more workers and volunteers to join her in the ministry.
TUE 27	PRAY for our partners in Thailand who are actively working to reach their nation with the Gospel. Pray that God would answer their prayers and call more believers to go out and help plant 10,000 churches throughout the country.
WED 28	PRAY for Trevor as he provides technical expertise and assistance to radio partners throughout the region. Pray that God would give him wisdom as he troubleshoots issues and implements solutions, whether through in-person or virtual visits.
THU 29	PRAY for the radio station managers who have recently received training and/or mentoring from our team. Ask God to help them implement some of the fresh and creative ideas that came out of their training and from conversations with other managers. Pray that God would encourage them as they share the Good News of Jesus with their listeners and in their communities.
FRI 30	PRAY for Janice and Anita as they work on creating more online training resources for station managers in Indonesia. Ask God to help them as they develop course modules that will both engage the learners and effectively teach them skills and strategies that they can apply in their ministries.
SAT & SUN 31-1	WEEKEND PRAYER FOR UNREACHED PEOPLE GROUPS Balai Country: India Population: 2,272,000 Language: Hindi Main Religion: Hinduism Evangelical: Unknown The Balai are traditionally known to be weavers, watchmen, and farm laborers. In Hindi, "Balai" means messenger. While some Balai have been able to have stable and secure jobs as masons, carpenters, and business owners, many are illiterate and trapped in poverty. The Balai are a "scheduled caste," which means they are eligible for certain government benefits, including reserved places in education and jobs. The Balai are practicing Hindus with a particular focus on the mother warrior goddess Durga. Pray that the Balai would hear the message of Jesus and how He has come to set the captives free. Pray that the Balai would receive Jesus as their Lord and Savior and be willing to go and share the message of His Good News with others.

Find more resources to help you pray for people and ministries around the world at:

REACHBEYOND.ORG/PRAYER