

JOIN US IN PRAYER – MAY 2025

Week 1: MAY 1-2 – PRAY FOR HCJB IN ECUADOR	
THU 1	PRAISE God for the good response that radio HCJB2 Guayaquil had to its first school vacation program. We had 40 children attend (ages 8-12) who learned the basics of announcing, acting, and script writing during four Fridays in March. This was a great learning experience for the youngsters as well as for us as a ministry. Pray for their semi-annual fundraiser on May 15-16.
FRI 2	PRAY for the 2nd annual Digital Missions conference that HCJB is hosting in Quito with other ministries today and tomorrow. Pray for the 100 young adults expected to attend as they learn to use social media in missions and network with each other.
SAT & SUN 3-4	WEEKEND PRAYER FOR UNREACHED PEOPLE GROUPS Ramoshi Country: India Population: 362,000 Language: Marathi Main Religion: Hinduism Evangelical: 0.00% The Ramoshi have a difficult history. Considered a low caste, near untouchables, they served as security in the Maratha kingdom and fought under freedom fighter Umaji Naik Khomane against British rule in the early 1800s. For their role in the rebellion, they were categorized as a criminal, or “denotified” tribe. The Ramoshi were finally recognized after successfully protesting the Indian government in 2017. The economy of the present-day Ramoshi is based on agriculture, including tending cows, buffalo, and sheep. They are Hindu and belong to the Lingayat sect. They worship a family deity as well as a village deity. There are no known Ramoshi believers. Pray that God would open doors and that the Ramoshi would see their worth as part of God’s Kingdom.
Week 2: MAY 5-9 – PRAY FOR REACH BEYOND MISSIONARIES AND STAFF	
MON 5	PRAY for the leaders of Reach Beyond from around the world as they meet together in Colorado Springs this week to share what God is doing in their areas and seek ways to collaborate to share Jesus and bring hope to even more people worldwide.
TUE 6	PRAY for Wim and the team as they give training to community development partners from five West African countries this week in Ivory Coast. The hands-on training, done in collaboration with Friends in Action International, will be centered around the challenges we’ve seen in the field—pump maintenance, water well assessments, water testing, and sustainable community engagement.
WED 7	PRAY for Scott and Jody Arnold as they move back to the U.S. after serving for almost eleven years in Ecuador. Scott is stepping down from being Director of Finance for Voz y Manos, but will continue as a board member of both Reach Beyond and Voz y Manos.
THU 8	PRAY for Reach Beyond’s Board of Trustees as they meet today and tomorrow to celebrate what God has done and conduct necessary business. Ask God to give them His wisdom and guide their every step.
FRI 9	PRAY for Mike Burtnett, who recently joined Reach Beyond to help inspire and equip people to engage in global missions. God has given Mike broad experience, including serving as senior pastor, youth pastor, missionary, missions coach, and mobilizer.
SAT & SUN 10-11	WEEKEND PRAYER FOR UNREACHED PEOPLE GROUPS Wayuu Country: Venezuela Population: 377,000 Language: Wayuu Main Religion: Ethnic Religions Evangelical: 1.50% The Wayuu are the largest indigenous group in Venezuela. They have been semi-nomadic for hundreds of years, crossing the border of Colombia and Venezuela, and have been granted dual citizenship. The Wayuu believe in a creator god. Burials are very important to them since they do not believe that life ends at death, but lives on in their bones. They are first buried with personal belongings. After 5 years, the bones are removed and put in either a ceramic vessel or a hammock, which are then reburied with their relatives. Pray that the Wayuu would recognize Jesus as the Creator, and choose to spend eternity with Him.
Week 3: MAY 12-16 – PRAY FOR MINISTRIES IN SUB-SAHARAN AFRICA	
MON 12	PRAY for our engineer Alfred and the many travel demands he is facing at the moment. Ask God to protect him as he travels and give him wisdom as he installs equipment and resolves technical problems. Pray too for his family while he is away.
TUE 13	PRAISE God for the successful Training of Trainers course delivered by our team last month in Nairobi, Kenya. Pray for the participants as they apply what they’ve learned to help teach others to more effectively reach their community with the Gospel.
WED 14	PRAY for the team from Reach Beyond New Zealand as they go to Ghana later this month to work with Alfred on the solar light pole/evangelism projects. Pray for good discussions with community leaders as they expand this impactful community initiative.
THU 15	PRAISE God for the safe arrival of equipment needed for the large FM repeater project that we are supporting in Tanzania to share the Gospel with people who don’t realize that Jesus is the Savior. Pray as we make arrangements for installation and testing.
FRI 16	PRAY for the Short-Term Action Team as they raise funds to help us carry out a large community development research project in July. Their task will be to visit the well projects we have assisted and assess the effect on physical health as well as the long-term Gospel impact in the previously unreached communities, and glean lessons to help with future projects in West Africa.

SAT & SUN 17-18	WEEKEND PRAYER FOR UNREACHED PEOPLE GROUPS Qashqai Country: Iran Population: 2,028,000 Language: Kashkay Main Religion: Islam Evangelical: 0.00% The Qashqai are a nomadic people who left Central Asia in the 11th Century and today roam the harsh deserts of southwest Iran. They are probably best known for their expert weaving skills. They are a highly independent and proud minority people group who have resisted forceful attempts to be incorporated into mainstream Iranian society. Their traditional language does not yet exist in written form, so most communicate in Farsi instead. While virtually all Qashqai profess to be Shia Muslims, they don't observe Ramadan or really any other Muslim traditions outside of marriage and death. The Qashqai have few opportunities to hear the Gospel. Pray that they would open their hearts to hearing about Jesus and choose to follow Him.
Week 4:	MAY 19-23 – PRAY FOR MINISTRIES IN ASIA/PACIFIC
MON 19	PRAY for Janice and Anita as they work with radio station managers in Indonesia to help them gain confidence and think creatively about ways to fund their ministries. Pray for our team as they walk alongside these incredibly talented partners who are passionate about sharing the Good News with their community.
TUE 20	PRAY for Trevor and his wife Kaew as they help radio stations in the region and serve in their local church in Thailand by discipling others and helping lead small groups. Praise God that Trevor's growing language skills are enabling him to do more ministry.
WED 21	PRAY for a ministry partner in Thailand that is experiencing financial stress as they help several radio stations. Ask God to provide for their daily needs as they work to help reach their entire country with the Gospel.
THU 22	PRAY for our team as they continue to refine and improve our online training courses for radio stations, which are available in English and two other languages. Pray that this training would help many radio stations improve their programming and their connection with their audience so that many more people would hear about Jesus and choose to follow Him.
FRI 23	PRAY for Rachel as she has begun to share more openly about God and her faith in Jesus with women from an unreached people group. Pray that the Bible stories she shares would begin to bear fruit in the lives of everyone who hears them.
SAT & SUN 24-25	WEEKEND PRAYER FOR UNREACHED PEOPLE GROUPS Rakhine Country: Myanmar Population: 2.6 million Language: Rakhine Main Religion: Buddhism Evangelical: 0.05% The Rakhine make up an estimated 5% of the population in Myanmar. They are farmers and fishermen. They claim to be among the first groups in Southeast Asia to become followers of Gautama Buddha and hold tightly to their beliefs. Pray for an openness in their hearts and minds to learn the truths of the Gospel. While they can understand the Bible written in Burmese, there is no complete Bible translation in Rakhine. Pray for translators to work on the Bible and create other materials in the heart language, including audio-visuals and songs. Pray that they would hear and receive the message of grace and truth in Jesus.
Week 5:	MAY 26-30 – PRAY FOR MINISTRIES IN EUROPE/EURASIA
MON 26	PRAY for our missionaries serving in a closed country where it is illegal to have home groups. Praise God that He is giving them increased opportunities to share about Jesus. Ask God to guide their steps as they disciple people and help local believers share their faith with family, friends, and others.
TUE 27	PRAY for our team in the Balkans who produce Christian content for television and digital media channels. Ask God to send them more local volunteers who will be able to provide significant help to the entire production team.
WED 28	PRAY for our physicians who are engaged in medical ministries. Ask God to give them strength and help them as they are often stretched in so many ways—attending patients, running clinics, taking medical caravans to remote areas, and hosting visiting doctors and medical teams. Pray that God would encourage them and their families, and send more workers to join them in ministry.
THU 29	PRAY for all of our staff who are ministering in a different language than their own, especially the difficult languages of Central Asia. Pray for grace as they continue to learn and improve their fluency. Ask God to send more laborers to join them in the fields!
FRI 30	PRAISE God for David and Cathi Uhles' 16 years of faithful service in overseeing Reach Beyond's ministries throughout this region. Ask God to guide and give wisdom to Martin and Ruth Harrison as they begin to shepherd the Europe/Eurasia team on June 1st.
SAT & SUN 31-1	WEEKEND PRAYER FOR UNREACHED PEOPLE GROUPS Abkhaz Country: Turkey Population: 168,000 Language: Abkhaz Main Religion: Islam Evangelical: 0.00% In the 15th Century, Ottoman Turks conquered the Caucasus Mountain region, and many Abkhaz converted from Christianity to Islam. When Russia regained control of the region, the Muslim Abkhaz felt threatened by Christian Russia and accepted refuge offered by Muslims in Turkey. Most Abkhaz live in rural areas where they raise cattle and grow crops like tobacco, tea, fruits, and vegetables. They have begun to assimilate into mainstream Turkish culture and are in danger of losing their identity as a separate ethnic group. Still, they have retained their caste system and their complex native language, which includes more than 50 consonants and numerous pronunciations for each one. Pray that the complete Bible would be translated into their language. Pray that Christian Abkhaz left in Russia and Georgia would share Christ with their brothers in Turkey.

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