



#### **OCTOBER** 2020

Week 1:	OCTOBER 5-11 – PRAY FOR MINISTRY IN NORTH AFRICA/MIDDLE EAST
мон 5	<b>PRAISE</b> God for the ministry of our partner in the Middle East and the media programs that are reaching the least reached people groups in this critical region. Pray for the Lord to move in the hearts of the listeners and reveal His Truth through these programs.
TUE 6	<b>PRAY</b> for more connections through our social media project in the Middle East. Pray for insight and opportunities for our volunteers to have open conversations about Christ. Pray for Janine as she manages the ministry.
WED 7	<b>PRAY</b> for wisdom for our newly appointed Regional Director, Bill. Give thanks for Bill and his wife Emily's willingness to serve the Lord in the NAME region. Pray that the Lord will open doors in North Africa and the Middle East for more opportunities for God's Kingdom.
тни 8	<b>PRAISE</b> God for the work being done through our partners in the Middle East and our Arabic Social Media Project. They have connected with over 430 "people of peace" through Facebook and are now meeting together in a closed Facebook group to discuss Jesus. Pray with us for a harvest of 50 believers and 10 groups to emerge and begin discipleship by February.
FRI 9	<b>PRAY</b> God will provide a new animation team for the social media project. Pray for wisdom for Ty as he manages the project and for continued provision in production, field testing and funding.
sat & sun 10-11	<ul> <li>WEEKEND PRAYER FOR UPGs   PRAY for the Bugis</li> <li>Country: Indonesia   Population: 5.5 million   Language: Bugis   Main Religion: Islam   Evangelical: 0.01%</li> <li>The Bugis are one of the major ethnic groups on Sulawesi, the third largest island in Indonesia. Most Bugis are farmers who grow wet rice, while others are fisherman or live in the port cities. Historically the Bugis practiced indigenous animism, but converted to Islam in the 1600s. Today the majority are Sunni Muslims who integrate some of the animistic beliefs. Bugis believe the first Wednesday and last Thursday of each month are special days that bring good fortune, while Saturdays are a bad day that could bring about misfortune. The Bugis place high value on both personal honor and communal honor. They build honor through hard work and faithfulness. When their honor is denigrated, they will pursue serious forms of revenge. Pray for God to reveal to them the abundance of grace and truth in Christ. Ask God to send laborers to live and work among the Bugis so that they can share the freedom that is in Christ.</li> </ul>
Week 2:	OCTOBER 12-18 – PRAY FOR MINISTRY IN ECUADOR
мо <b>л</b> 12	<b>PRAISE</b> God that the web ministry of HCJB Ecuador has seen a dramatic increase during the time of COVID, including thousands of people who have been attending our web conferences. Pray for HCJB Ecuador's new small-business entrepreneur radio program that is helping Christian small-business owners connect and offering hope during this time of economic crisis.
TUE 13	<b>PRAY</b> for the four ministry teams in Cuba as they seek creative ways to strengthen virtual education opportunities where internet connections are limited. Pray for many in the community seeking help through Apoyo's Family Support Center in Santiago. Pray for each team member in Cuba as the reality has become very difficult with increased limitations, and challenges getting basic food and medicine.
WED 14	<b>PRAISE</b> God for new ministry opportunities for the Corrientes Latin American missionary mentoring program in the midst of the COVID-19 crisis. Corrientes mentors have been providing remote missionary care appointments with our graduates in Africa, Asia, India, and the Middle East as well as in Latin America. The team has also been providing training and interactive webinars with Latin American missionary care providers and participating in regional missionary networks to share, pray, and talk about the future of missions and missionaries going out from the region in the post-COVID-19 era.
тн <b>и</b> 15	<b>PRAY</b> for many Latin American missionaries who remained on the field during the COVID-19 pandemic and are having to survive with less than 40% of their support, and are anxious about the future. Pray that fear would not stop the calling or enthusiasm for cross-cultural missions that many Latin American youth had before COVID-19 started.
FRI 16	<b>PRAISE</b> for our medical workers who have stood firm for His glory during these 6+ months of the pandemic to care efficiently and compassionately for our patients. There has been a low death count and a high percentage of recoveries among our patients. Praise God for His care and protecting the health of our personnel during the pandemic, and that our rate of infection among staff was very low in comparison to other health facilities. We recognize this as evidence of His care.
sat & sun 17-18	WEEKEND PRAYER FOR UPGs   PRAY for the Kumbi Kadwa Country: India   Population: 1.2 million   Language: Gujarati   Main Religion: Hinduism   Evangelical: Less than .01% The Kunbi Kadwa live in the state of Gujarat and surrounding areas in Western India. They are the primary landholders and act as landlords and engage in farming and animal husbandry. They are non-vegetarians and eat rice as a regular part of their diet. They regularly smoke chutta, a homemade cheroot, which leads to high rates of mouth and throat cancer. The Kunbi Kadwa are practicing Hindus and worship many spirit beings. Pray for Christian workers to come and help them in their farming practices, which can lead to open doors to share about Jesus. Pray that the Kunbi people would give up smoking and think about the value of both their earthly life and eternal life. Pray that the Holy Spirit would move in their communities to bring spiritual healing and transformation.

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Week 3:	OCTOBER 19-25 – PRAY FOR MINISTRY IN EUROPE / EURASIA
мол 19	<b>PRAISE</b> God for favor with the state-run medical academy in Central Asia. The medical academy has 40-50 new family medicine residents this academic year and they have asked one of our medical clinics to accept as many of them as possible in our training program. The clinic had to negotiate receiving only four at a time and not all at once. Pray for these medical residents as they work with our medical team and see how they live their lives for Christ.
TUE 20	<b>PRAY</b> for our workers as they continue in medical outreaches to the marginalized and poor that live at a trash dump in Central Asia. Pray also for continued outreaches to the deaf community.
WED 21	<b>PRAY</b> for refugees who are awaiting processing of their asylum claims on the Greek island of Lesbos. The Moria refugee camp burned completely in September and now refugees are being housed in temporary and inadequate housing. Pray for the refugees, the workers, the leaders and the government authorities as they adapt and make challenging decisions in these circumstances.
тни <b>22</b>	<b>PRAISE</b> God for a successful fund-raising drive through the UK office to purchase much needed medical equipment for the medical clinic in Central Asia to help them care for COVID-19 patients.
FRI 23	<b>PRAY</b> for a British couple as they mobilize their support team and plan ahead for their medical ministry in Central Asia. J & H are both doctors who are continuing to work in UK hospitals in the meantime. Ask the Lord to protect them both as they serve.
SAT & SUN 24-25	<ul> <li>WEEKEND PRAYER FOR UPGs   PRAY for the Lao</li> <li>Country: Laos   Population: 3.2 million   Language: Lao   Main Religion: Buddhism   Evangelical: 2%</li> <li>The Lao live on the plains along the rivers and roads that give them access to traveling merchants. They are farmers who grow rice, cotton, mulberry bushes (for silk worms), coco palms and various fruits. Some Lao will supplement their farming with fishing or with a trade such as blacksmith or carpentry. Certain villages are known to specialize in goods such as charcoal or pottery. Laos has had a turbulent history with various countries vying for power and control. There are a still numerous unexploded bombs scattered throughout the country which makes much of the potential farm land too risky to cultivate. More than half of the Lao are Buddhist and young men will typically study Buddhism for three months at their village monasteries. A third of the Lao combine folk animism with Buddhism.</li> <li>Pray that the Lao would come to see God and His glory. Pray that they would step into God's calling for them to be a holy nation and to proclaim His excellence. Pray for workers to come and live among the Lao and to make disciples.</li> </ul>
Week 4:	OCTOBER 26 - NOVEMBER 1 – PRAY FOR REACH BEYOND COUNTRY OFFICES
MON 26	<b>PRAISE</b> God that churches and organizations around New Zealand have heard about the SuperBible comics and are starting to request quantities in both the English and Maori languages. Pray for funds to print enough copies to meet demand, and that the proofreading process would be swift and accurate, so we can start printing. Pray also that these comics will get into the hands of those who really need them, and that many will begin to follow Jesus.
TUE 27	<b>PRAY</b> for the UK office as they work with a new Christian fundraising group to help them with income for the Millside Centre, a community hub that provides services for vulnerable people including refugees. Pray for creative ideas to connect with current supporters, and for creative ways to find new donors.
WED 28	<b>PRAISE</b> God that Reach Beyond Sweden's radio partners in Russia have continued their programs all through the COVID-19 pandemic, even though there have been challenges because of the lockdown. Pray that people in Russia would listen to the programs and turn to the Lord in these difficult times.
тни <b>29</b>	<b>PRAY</b> for young people currently attending Bible schools in Sweden this year. Pray as they seek God's guidance in their lives and future ministry. Pray that God would raise up workers for the field. Pray that Reach Beyond Sweden will be able to assist in finding partners with internship opportunities for students.
FRI 30	<b>PRAISE</b> God that a shipment of Sheep Station wireless content devices has arrived safely at the office of our ministry partner in Ghana. Please pray with us for successful installation of 'light poles' in villages across that country. Pray also for wisdom and creativity as the Reach Beyond New Zealand technical team works hard to create a network of these devices, based on the needs of the local partner.
sat & sun 31-1	WEEKEND PRAYER FOR UPGs   PRAY for the Chaungtha Country: Myanmar   Population: 2.7 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 other materials, such as audio visuals and songs, to be in their heart language. Pray that they would hear and receive the message of grace and truth in Jesus.

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