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Week 1: SEP 7-13 – PRAY FOR MINISTRY IN SUB-SAHARAN AFRICA	
MON 7	PRAISE God for programming now being aired on 10 secular radio stations in a 'closed' region of West Africa. The programs address COVID-19 concerns while incorporating the Gospel message. Pray for the pastors who are following up with listeners as they respond.
TUE 8	PRAY for a project that missionaries Eric, Bill and Emily have been working on for some years with a partner hospital in Cameroon. They are nearing the construction phase of a suitable structure for a medical linear accelerator (LINAC) used to treat patients with cancer.
WED 9	PRAY as we continue to consult on a project to upgrade the coverage of a partner radio station in Malawi in order to double the number of Yao people who can tune in. Please pray for patience as our partners work with the authorities there.
THU 10	PRAISE God for an update from a partner in Sierra Leone: "A lot of prayer requests are coming from the Muslim communities which have now made the radio an integral part of the community. We thank God for His promises, intervention and divine guidance of His words to reach more people. We are embedded to reach the unreached and to spread the Good News of Christ."
FRI 11	PRAY for wisdom as we work on an exciting opportunity to recruit a new radio engineer from within the Sub-Saharan Africa region. Pray that God would continue to build our team to reach more people for Christ.
SAT & SUN 12-13	WEEKEND PRAYER FOR UPGs PRAY for the Naxi Country: China Population: 341,000 Language: Naxi Main Religion: Ethnic Religions Evangelical: 0.075% The Naxi are known for their script that was developed over 1,000 years ago and includes 1,500 pictographs. As of 1995, it was reported that only three elderly men could read the script, but it has since been revitalized and used in the region, including on road signs. Historically, the Naxi practiced Dongba religion, which is preoccupied with wonder-working and power, as well as belief in gods and demons who are manipulated with magic. Their creation myth traces the origin of humans to an elephant-headed god who helped people hatch from magic eggs. Currently, the majority of Naxi are non-religious, though many do believe in a creator god. Pray that the Naxi would come to know the true creator God. Pray that they would see the power of Christ to bring healing, restoration and transformation in their lives. Pray for the few Naxi followers of Jesus to be a witness to their families and communities.
Week 2: SEP 14-20 – PRAY FOR MINISTRY IN ASIA PACIFIC	
MON 14	PRAISE God for the opportunity to distribute essential food supplies to Rohingya refugees during the lockdown. The teams passed out enough rice to feed 2,772 unique units (singles or families), opening the door to build deeper relationships with the families.
TUE 15	PRAY for the Rohingya refugees with whom the team members have been able to build connections. Pray that God would move their hearts to seek Him. Pray that He would give them visions and dreams. Pray that our team would be able to communicate His love for them, despite not yet knowing their language fully.
WED 16	PRAISE God for the online courses for training radio announcers in Southeast Asia. Although there have been some minor "speed-bumps" as teachers and learners got used to the process, at the halfway point, the response has overall been positive. Participants have shared feedback about how useful the material and instruction is for improving the quality of their own radio programs.
THU 17	PRAY for our media partner in a Southeast Asia location where little COVID-19 testing is done, the spread of misinformation is rampant, and fear drives people to listen to the radio for accurate information. Praise God for the opportunity to help people by sharing health advice and prayer on air.
FRI 18	PRAY for Hannah, a Reach Beyond missionary nurse, as she learns the Rohingya language. Pray for patience and perseverance during this process as it is key to future ministry.
SAT & SUN 19-20	WEEKEND PRAYER FOR UPGs PRAY for the Western Cham Country: Cambodia Population: 252,000 Language: Cham, Western Main Religion: Islam Evangelical: 0.01% The Cham historically had a strong empire in southern Vietnam from AD 1 until AD 1471 when the Vietnamese conquered their kingdom and the Cham fled to Cambodia. With this, the Cham changed from a powerful seafaring people to simple agrarian farmers. In the 1970s, the communist Khmer Rouge regime targeted the Cham because of their Islamic beliefs. It is believed 100,000 or more Cham were killed during this time. Now the Cham live in poverty in rustic bamboo homes and survive by fishing and farming. They practice a distorted version of Islam that incorporates elements of their original Hindu beliefs as well as animistic practices that come from their past as a strong empire. Pray for long term laborers to live and minister among the Cham. Pray for local churches to be raised up and established among the Cham.

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Week 3: SEP 21-27 – PRAY FOR REFUGEE MINISTRY	
MON 21	PRAISE God that coronavirus has not reached Moria Refugee Camp throughout the summer. Pray for a continued barrier of protection against the virus spreading in the camps and for the refugees and volunteers working and living in proximity while implementing health and safety measures.
TUE 22	PRAY for new Reach Beyond missionaries, Ray and Kitty, as they move to Eastern Europe and begin language learning before eventually moving to Greece to work full-time in refugee ministry. Pray for wisdom as to how to invest their time and as they begin to connect and build relationships in this initial phase of their ministry.
WED 23	PRAY for the global refugee crisis. Pray that countries throughout the world would open their borders to refugees and put resources into place to help them resettle. Pray for wisdom for governmental leaders as they navigate the challenges of political viewpoints while trying to find a sustainable solution for refugees.
THU 24	PRAISE God for the refugee volunteers who help with various organizations at Moria Refugee Camp, bringing their skills as translators, seamstresses, educators, carpenters and health professionals. A number of refugees are highly educated and are seeking to help people around them even as they wait for their asylum case to be processed.
FRI 25	PRAY for peace across the Middle East and in North African countries so that refugees can return home and the flow of new refugees diminishes.
SAT & SUN 26-27	WEEKEND PRAYER FOR UPGs PRAY for the Fula Jalon in Guinea Country: Guinea Population: 5.7 million Language: Pular Main Religion: Islam Evangelical: 0.01% The Fula Jalon are a semi-nomadic people who also raise livestock and crops. They are a subgroup of the vast Fulani people group who live across west Africa and the Sahel. While the majority of Fulani raise “humped” cattle, the Fula Jalon raise a native Djallon breed that is resistant to the tsetse fly, which is notorious for carrying disease. The Fula Jalon live in beehive-shaped huts that are surrounded by a cattle corral. While the homes in the villages are spread out, there is a central court and mosque. The Fula Jalon are devout Muslims. Some villages have Islamic schools for the children. Pray for a willingness for the Fula Jalon to learn about Jesus and His teachings and to be open to His truths.
Week 4: SEP 28 - OCT 4 – PRAY FOR REACH BEYOND U.S. LEADERSHIP	
MON 28	PRAISE God for the skills, knowledge, experience and insight that each leader brings to Reach Beyond as they labor together in using media and healthcare tools to bring the Good News of Jesus to unreached people groups.
TUE 29	PRAY for God to continually fill the Executive Leadership Team with “knowledge of His will through all wisdom and understanding that the Spirit gives” (Col 1:9) as they guide and lead the organization in the midst of global changes.
WED 30	PRAY for collaboration and unity as leaders work together to identify the key areas within ministry to focus their attention and resources in light of the global pandemic.
THU 1	PRAY for the directors of each ministry and department as they collaborate to implement the strategic plan with focus and wisdom from the Holy Spirit so as to accomplish the mission God has given Reach Beyond.
FRI 2	PRAY for the budget process as leaders seek God’s wisdom about how to prioritize and allocate resources for ministry projects in 2021. Praise God for the faithful donors who give to make the ministry work possible.
SAT & SUN 3-4	WEEKEND PRAYER FOR UPGs PRAY for the lu Mien Country: China Population: 1.3 million Language: lu Mien Main Religion: Ethnic Religions Evangelical: 0.15% 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 called “passport to cross the mountains” where the lu Mien people could live and travel in the hills and mountains. The Chinese sometimes refer to them as Guoshan (Crossing the Mountains) Yao. They 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 and share about who Jesus is.

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