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Praying for the Muslim World

September
2020

September 1-7 – PRAISE & THANKSGIVING	
Week 1	<i>God is our refuge and strength, an ever-present help in trouble. Therefore we will not fear, though the earth give way and the mountains fall into the heart of the sea... Psalm 46:1-2</i>
Tue 1	Praise GOD for sparing the lives of the many churchgoers who would have perished during the explosion in Beirut last August 6th. Praise God for their faithful Pastor who listened to the prodding of the Holy Spirit to send people home earlier than intended! We invite you to watch this powerful testimony: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ogQQgQ_3bt0
Wed 2	Praise GOD for MBBs all over the world who are leading many to Christ. S was a young single mother who was abandoned by her family. A Christian couple gave her and her daughter a home and there she had her first taste of the love of Christ. She is now a passionate evangelist, organizing prayer walks in her community, and leading many other Iranians to Christ. Pray for protection and provision for S as she serves the Lord.
Thu 3	Praise GOD for the mini revival that broke out among the Yazidi people in Duhok region, N. Iraq. Field workers are reaching out to discarded Yazidi women who were forced into marriage by ISIS soldiers. House churches are flourishing; from Satan worshippers, many of them are now calling out to God in the Name of Jesus.
Fri 4	Praise God that a church finally starts to form in an unreached village in Central Asia after 10 long years of prayer and hard work! Elsewhere in Central Asia, another Christian couple are having regular prayer walks in their village and dreaming for the same thing to happen in their community. Pray with them!
Sat 5	Praise GOD for Radio Lilanguka, a radio station in Malawi that SIM helped start, that brings the Word of God to the Yao people in their language. Field workers write, "Only about 30% of the Yao people can read, making Radio Lilanguka even more crucial to reaching the villages with the truth of the Bible." Lift them in prayer!
Sun-Mon 6-7	Praise GOD for A's transformative faith. Now his wife also wants to follow him in his faith. However, this only added to A's father-in-law's anger and fueled his attempts to bring A to court because A also refused to kill a sheep on Eid al-Adha. May Christ's glory become apparent to A's father-in-law and the entire village.
September 8-14 – PRAY FOR MUSLIM PEOPLE	
Week 2	<i>...I will turn the darkness into light before them and make the rough places smooth. These are the things I will do; I will not forsake them. Isaiah 42:16</i>
Tue 8	Because the Hajj has been limited this year, many Muslims have been talking about creating an app or using virtual reality to do a "virtual Hajj". "Can virtual religious acts count toward salvation?" they wonder. Pray that this will stir a sense of emptiness and lead them to Jesus as the only way to forgiveness or salvation.
Wed 9	In Senegal, local believers provided needy neighbours with rice, cooking oil, sanitation kits and masks. Believers have prayed with hundreds of Muslim families and strengthened relationships. Praise God for these opportunities to show Christ's love. Pray that God will use this difficult time to draw many to Himself.
Thu 10	R serves in a small school comprised mostly of Muslim refugees. Her team share truth with the children through daily morning messages, weekly classes and Bible studies. The school has since shutdown because of the pandemic. Many have been left unemployed and are fear-stricken in this area. Lift them in prayer!
Fri 11	In a Central Asian country hostile to the Gospel, <i>King of Glory</i> (King-of-Glory.com) aired on national TV in the people's heart language. Gov't officials tried to prevent it, but the Muslim program manager fought for it to be aired. The manager's father, who now passed away, watched the movie and accepted Christ. He told his daughter that this movie needs to be shared. Pray for the Muslims who are receptive to the Gospel.
Sat 12	Now that the Egyptian gov't has declared COVID-19 to be over, churches have re-opened. In the villages and cities in Egypt, Christians are filling in churches in record numbers. According to a field worker, this in itself is evidence that the virus stirred up a spiritual hunger in Christians who were previously "lukewarm at best."
Sun-Mon 13-14	Istanbul is a big threat to President Erdogan's effort to control the future of Turkey, having lost control of this mega-city in the recent elections. He is gaining his power back using "unorthodox" means in his quest to reshape the Eastern Mediterranean and wield wider influence. Pray for the gospel to spread in Turkey!

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September 15-21 – PRAY FOR THE CHURCH AND THE LABOURERS <i>Let us hold unswervingly to the hope we profess, for he who promised is faithful. Hebrews 10:23</i>	
Week 3	
Tue 15	Field workers in Ethiopia are working with The Grace Center, a local Christian food distribution centre. By God’s grace, this ministry has been providing food for hundreds of individuals who are in great need during this time. Pray for wisdom for the team and for God to provide needed resources.
Wed 16	We were blessed to hear from a couple of field workers in Beirut at the August 15 th FFM Day of Prayer for the M World. Pray for people to find their hope and strength in Jesus. Pray that churches will continue to be the salt and light in Lebanon and for resources to be raised that will enable them to care for those in need.
Thu 17	Pastor K and his family were sponsored by a church here in Canada. Pastor K has planted several house churches among Muslim Kurds in Kurdistan and is poised to strengthen church planting ministry to Kurds here in Canada. Pray for their continued English classes and for their source of income.
Fri 18	Update on our dear Sally: An outspoken couple who had recently come to faith visited Sally. The Uncle found out and took his anger out on Sally’s kids. He locked them up and beat them. Her comment was, “But my children’s faith remained strong, so we are alright.” Uphold her and her kids in prayer!
Sat 19	Pray for I in Niger as he continues to teach believers in ZT, ZK and ZJ (Villages), that he will be spirit-lead and wise in how he teaches. Pray that the believers will come to a better understanding of what they believe and for the seekers who see <i>The Jesus Film</i> , to come to know the Lord.
Sun-Mon 20-21	Despite the recent unrest in Ethiopia, the Church continues to experience massive growth. The Gospel is making inroads into areas which in years past experienced severe persecution of believers. Today, many house churches are being established in these same regions. Pray that Bibles will be available and distributed as soon as possible. You can help provide these Bibles at: www.empowerministries.ca/donate-project/Ethiopia .
September 22-30 – PRAY FOR A MUSLIM REGION/ UNREACHED PEOPLE GROUP Global Muslim Diaspora (Part 1 of 2): U.S. and Canada	
Week 4	
Tue 22	In a study done in 2017, there’s an estimated 3.45 million Muslims in the U.S. Although it represents about 1% of the total population, it grows by roughly 100,000 per year because of higher birth rates. There is much more freedom for Muslims in the U.S. to explore and learn about Christianity but around 25% say that they suffer from discrimination and racism. Pray for deep friendships with believers who will lovingly lead them to Christ.
Wed 23	According to Pew Research, many of those who have left Islam in the U.S. now say they have no religion. While those who converted to Christianity are more likely to be immigrants from Iran (22%) than those who have not switched faiths (8%). Pray for the many Iranians, in and out of Iran, who are coming to Christ in droves.
Thu 24	A “miracle church” in New York City is home to a large number of West African immigrants who live in Harlem and South Bronx. The church has had the unique opportunity to reach out to its Muslim neighbours in Harlem and other neighbouring communities. An MBB also serves as the senior pastor in this fast-growing church with approximately 25 percent of the congregation having Muslim roots. Lift them in prayer!
Fri 25	From Prayercast: “ <i>Muslims in Canada: Well-integrated; Highly educated; Lacking Hope.</i> ” As of March 2019, an estimated 1.7 million Muslims call Canada home. They make up 4.6% of the population and growing at a fast pace. Pray for God’s people in Canada to reach out and build bridges of hope with their Muslim neighbours.
Sat-Mon 26-28	LIFT Church is a multiplying discipleship movement that was started in McMaster University, with the vision to see churches planted across all universities and campuses in Canada. Imagine the tremendous reach and impact it will have not only in Canada, but all over the world. Pray for this grassroots discipleship movement!
Tue-Wed 29-30	There is a tremendous opportunity to reach out to Muslim refugees and immigrants in Canada who are very open and receptive to the Gospel in the first few years after arrival. Pray for ministries like Move In who are equipping Christians to move in the urban poor communities where they can engage newly-arrived Muslims. Pray as well for the churches and Christian organizations who provide ESL help and other valuable support.

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<https://empowerministries.ca>

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<https://www.imb.org/>

<https://www.sim.ca>

<https://prayercast.com/>

<https://www.lausanne.org/>

<https://www.pewresearch.org/>

<https://legacy.joshuaproject.net/>

<https://liftchurch.ca/>

<https://www.movein.to/>

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