

Praying for Mission

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Missions and missionaries depend on prayer support. Here is some advice and links to help you.

What to pray

OSCAR's Mission Organisations Directory (www.oscar.org.uk/opportunity/organisations) can put you in touch with missions who will gladly supply you with fuel for prayer and have you join their ministry in this way.

Alternatively, you can use the website www.PrayerPoints.org to pray for the current needs of a number of mission organisations or www.PrayerSquare.org to pray for the needs of various individual missionaries.

Alternatively, you can pray for individual missionary's needs through one of the following sites.
Website: www.24-7prayer.com or www.peopleteams.org

How to Pray

Both SIM, OMF and CLC produce a leaflet entitled 'Praying for Missionaries' that can help you focus your prayers (see the online version at www.clc.org.uk/praying_for_missionaries.cfm).

A further online guide entitled 'How to Pray for Missionaries' Kids' is available on OMF's US website at www.us.omf.org/content.asp?id=9167 with an abbreviated UK version at www.omf.org.uk/content.asp?id=27458

There is also a Missionary Prayer Shield at www.prayercentral.net/engage/prayercards/#mshield

Other prayer resources

Global Day of Prayer

Their mission statement says "To call Christians from all nations to unite in repentance and prayer, and to collaborate as God's instruments for the blessing and healing of the nations." Following the example of the first believers who "joined together constantly" in prayer (Acts 1.14) during the ten days between the ascension of Jesus and the descent of His Spirit on Pentecost ... for the next 5 years until 2010, a simple threefold strategy will be implemented:

1. 10 Days of day-and-night prayer from Ascension Day till the Saturday before Pentecost Sunday.
2. A global day of repentance & prayer on Pentecost Sunday
3. 90 Days of "community blessing"

Website: www.globaldayofprayer.co.uk

International Day of Prayer

IDOP is an international movement to encourage prayer on various themes and key issues for our world.

Website: www.idop.org

nCourage

nCourage is both ministry and a business. We look above all to be an encouragement to the Body of Christ. We offer our Creative Communication experience to help Mission Organisations. We are developing Prayer Places on our website for a number of countries.

Website: www.ncourage.co.uk

Operation World

Operation World, the definitive prayer guide to mission work throughout the world, now posts the current daily prayer focus online.

Website: www.gmi.org/ow/today

Prayer Alert

Prayer-Alert is a Christian initiative to encourage, envision and mobilise prayer across the British Isles and Ireland. It is a carefully researched weekly e-mail providing guidelines for prayer relating to the British Isles and Ireland as well as for Europe and the rest of the world. Items are drawn from a wide range of reliable Christian and secular sources. Prayer-Alert is a partnership project of the Prayer Association of British Isles and Ireland.

Website: www.prayer-alert.net

World Prayer Centre

The World Prayer Centre is part of the new thing that God is doing around the world. As the Church begins to strategise and think globally, so we must pray globally. A united and consistent flow of strategic prayer is needed now:

- to open the way for us to reach the remaining peoples of the world who have not yet heard the good news of Jesus
- to equip the church to reach out with love and grace to a hurting society
- to enable us to meet, with the authority of Christ, the challenges and opportunities of national and international power structures
- to strengthen the Church to meet its end-time calling

Website: www.worldprayer.org.uk

Email: office@worldprayer.org.uk

Tel: 0121 633 7393

Worldwide Prayer Guide

There is a Worldwide Prayer Guide available on CD-ROM that provides ideas for anyone wanting to pray and promote prayer for the unreached people groups worldwide. It's ideal for mission, youth and prayer groups who have a desire to learn more about different cultures. Order from Sunrise Software (code: RWPG-001).

Website: www.sunrise-software.com

Email: sales@sunrise-software.com

Tel: 0845 0579 579

Caleb Project

Caleb Project provides an advocacy programme, where you can pray for a specific people group.

Website: www.calebproject.org

Global Prayer Digest

The Global Prayer Digest gives daily news for prayer of what God is doing around the world and what still needs to be done.

Website: www.global-prayer-digest.org

Posting prayer requests

PrayerSquare.org

www.PrayerSquare.org provides people (including missionaries) with the opportunity to ask for prayer from other Christians. Anybody can have a square on the prayer grid that is their own and they can use this square to tell others what they need prayer for and they can update their prayer request whenever they want - it really is as simple as that. Christians who want to know what to pray for can visit the site and click on any of the coloured squares to see the prayer requests from people around the world.

Website: www.PrayerSquare.org

Wycliffe Associates

WA have a prayer chain network for any urgent prayer requests that you might have whilst overseas.

Website: www.wycliffeassociates.org.uk

Email: info@wa-uk.org

Tel: 01745 343300

24-7

24-7 is an online prayer facility that links up many prayer groups across the world and offers a dynamic opportunity to be involved in worldwide prayer.

Website: www.24-7prayer.com

World Prayer Team

Through this website, you can post any prayer requests from anywhere and have them prayed for by a world-wide team of intercessors.

Website: www.worldprayerteam.org

More at www.oscar.org.uk/supporter/roles/pray.htm