

All the believers were united in heart and mind. And they felt that what they owned was not their own, so they shared everything they had. The apostles testified powerfully to the resurrection of the Lord Jesus, and God's great blessing was upon them all. ACTS 4:32-33 NLT

Prayer Calendar JANUARY 2021



- Your prayers are making a difference in communities around the world. God's message of love is helping to transform villages, barrios, bustling cities, and neighborhoods in far-off places in Africa, Asia, Europe, Latin America, Middle East, and U.S.
- From indigenous communities in Colombia to those considered untouchable in India to immigrants in the U.S., so many people are finding hope and experiencing the Gospel through *Project Philip* Bible studies, Church Planter Training, and Bible-based Literacy classes.

Pray for Community Transformation

Week 1: Pray for Latif who is leading *Project Philip* Bible studies among the Roma people in two villages near Fier, Albania. People in these communities are generally uneducated and very poor. The lives of some families have been transformed already. Let us pray that they will become Philips (*Project Philip* Bible study leaders) and transform their entire community.

Ask the Lord to guide Pastor Lefter (above) as he shares the Gospel in an area that is entirely Muslim in Albania. Many young Islamic extremists have emerged from this area. God opened the doors there, starting with children's ministry where all the children of the village took part. In recent days, even parents have been taking part in Bible studies. We pray that just like the young people, adults will turn to God.

Praise God that the church planters who went to the frontlines of the war in Armenia in September are safely back at home. Many soldiers heard the Gospel through these men. Some of them already have seen their lives transformed by Christ Jesus. We thank God and continue praying for them.

Week 2: Pray for believers who are sharing God's Word through *Project Philip* Bible studies in the Democratic Republic of Congo. Many local communities are still involved in witchcraft, idol worship, and rituals. May the Lord ready the hearts of people in these communities to experience the hope of the Gospel.

Thank God for the opportunity to engage people in

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Pray for Community Transformation (continued)

rehabilitation centers in the Middle East. People in these centers are hearing the Gospel while they learn how to read and write in Arabic through Bible-based Literacy.

Ask the Lord to bless believers as they begin new Arabic Bible-based Literacy classes in five private primary schools in a Middle Eastern country. About 200 kids will engage in God's Word at these schools.

Week 3: Thank the Lord for His Word reaching the Motomote community in Nampula, Mozambique. The Makua and Makonde tribes in this area are highly committed Muslims. But through *Project Philip* Bible studies, they heard the Gospel. Now, many of them have found faith in Christ. Praise God.

Pray for churches in Zambia who are facing challenges of worshipping and congregating due to COVID-19 restrictions and regulations. Pray that they may remain strong and united to bring community transformation.

Week 4: Praise the Lord for transformed hearts and communities through Bible-based Literacy in Lundazi, Zambia. Churches have seen older men and women from Lundazi reading Bibles because of Bible-based Literacy. This is a transformation that will be forever remembered by local people.

Pray for the 27 believers from the remote areas of Malaliya, Zimbabwe, who are attending Church Planter Training. May they gain new knowledge from their training and make a difference in their communities by planting churches.

Thank God for the ways His Word is reaching refugees in the Middle East. For those forced to flee their homes due to war, new life in a new home is scary. But Bible-based Literacy classes are providing ways to share the hope and peace of Jesus, the Messiah, with them.