

Prayer Calendar JUNE 2022



- Last year, more than 2 million people studied God's Word through Bible League's *Project Philip* Bible studies, Church Planter Training, and Bible-based Literacy classes. Nearly 100,000 people were trained to share the Good News in their communities. Praise God for this incredible work!
- Two-thirds of the world's people identify themselves as followers of a religion other than Christianity. Worldwide, 23% of people follow Islam, 15% are Hindus, and 16% are unaffiliated with any faith. The Good News is desperately needed in all corners of the globe!
- This year, people in more than 50 countries around the world will study God's Word. In many of these countries, majority religions include Islam, Buddhism, and Hinduism.

Pray for People Living in Spiritual Darkness

Week 1: Pray for a local church in Shkodra, Albania. The city's population is divided into Roman Catholics and Muslims. There is negative internal competition between the two religions, which affects the local government leaders as well as the lives of the people. The church recently started a *Project Philip* Bible study with 100 children. Pray these children believe in Jesus Christ and share the Gospel with their families and neighbors.

Pray for the recently completed *Project Philip* training for 200 people in Mwinilunga District, Zambia. Locals embrace traditions that conflict with the Word of God, such as initiation rituals, polygamy, and spouse inheritance. Witchcraft, jealousy, thefts, and early marriages are widespread. Some people consult ancestral spirits. Ask God to bring people to a saving knowledge of Jesus Christ and for their lives to align with His Word.

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Pray for People Living in Spiritual Darkness (continued)

Week 2: Praise the Lord for the completion of a Church Planter Training class in a state in western India. Ask the Holy Spirit to empower the 70 graduates as they plant churches in the region. Almost 90% of the people in this area are Hindus. Pray that God opens the hearts of people in the region to hear and accept the Good News.

Pray for the Yezidis, a Kurdish speaking minority living in Armenia. The people follow their own non-Christian religion (Yezidism). This tradition contains spiritually dark elements, including the worship of the sun. Ask God to work through Bible League's ministries to bring spiritual freedom to those caught in unhealthy traditions and witchcraft practices. Pray the light of Christ would change the atmosphere in their families and society.

Week 3: Ask God to open doors to begin a Bible-based Literacy class in north-central Bangladesh. Many of the people in this remote area belong to the traditional Dhalu community and are unbelievers who lack education. Pray for the facilitator to reach this people group with the Word of God.

Pray for the religious tensions between the Ethiopian Coptic Orthodox and Muslims in Gondor, northern

Ethiopia and the Worabe–Silte Zone in the Southern Region. The problem emerged during the final day of Ramadan, when three local churches in Worabe were burned and several Christians were harmed.

Week 4: Praise God for His ongoing work in Bali, Indonesia. About 60 people recently completed Bible-based Literacy teacher's training, and about 35 church leaders attended *Project Philip* training. Pray these trained leaders proclaim God's Word throughout the island. There is much work to be done here, as 86% of the people practice Hinduism, while 10% identify as Muslim.

Pray for several Muslim background individuals in the Middle East as they face persecution for becoming Christians. The first is an author named Mahmoud. After coming to faith in Jesus, he published his first novel. He's now wanted for legal investigation for allegedly spreading false information about Islamic doctrine in his novel. Pray for Mahmoud's safety and his ability to stand firm. Also, intercede for a girl named Rahma who disappeared after taking her first steps in faith. None of her friends have had any communication with her. Pray for her safety, provision, and protection.