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Prayer at Work

PULL OUT AND KEEP PRAYER GUIDE

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“Don’t be weary in prayer; keep at it; watch for God’s answers, and remember to be thankful when they come.”

Colossians 4.2 (The Living Bible)

Watch for God’s Answers

Writing from a prison cell, Paul took time to reinforce the importance of persistent prayer, reminding the readers to ‘keep at it’. Not only that, but he tells the Colossians to ‘watch for God’s answers’. Paul is filled with expectation that God would act in response to their prayers.

What a wonderful message of certainty and faith from a man imprisoned for preaching the truth. The call to be thankful ‘when they come’ adds to the confidence with which we are to approach God with our prayers.

We must come to God persistently, with full expectation and with thankfulness for all he has done and all he will do.

SEP 16-22

Niger A small team, led by acting CEO Yaye, work in this strongly Islamic country. Pray for all the efforts to make God’s Word known through FCBH, literacy work, Trauma Healing programmes, translation work and a youth and children’s programme. Pray for good church relations, encouragements, protection and provision in this often hostile place.

Nigeria Pray that the distribution projects will bring hope to those who have been displaced and transform many Nigerians. Ask for God’s protection on the staff members who work throughout the country led by GS Dare Ajiboye. Pray also for work on the Nigerian Sign Language Bible and the Literacy programme.

Algeria Pray for Ali Khidri who, until recently, was the only staff member in Algeria. Ask for God’s protection on him and his new colleague as they often work under threat. The main focus of the ministry here is distribution

of Scripture to those who are requesting it through churches or as a result of TV and Radio Broadcasts.

SEP 23-29

Venezuela Please pray for wisdom and opportunity for Executive Secretary Javier Chacon and his team, despite the legal restrictions. Pray for openings for increased distribution. Pray for ongoing translation into Venezuelan Sign Language as well as a number of indigenous languages. Pray also for the Bread of Life Project that brings a daily meal and Bible teaching to hungry children.

Colombia Praise God for the team in Colombia led by Executive President Diana Leal. Pray for the resources for Theological Colleges and students, that this will help build strong Christian leaders. Pray also for the two ongoing OT translation projects into indigenous languages and for great opportunities to distribute Scripture.

Suriname Pray for GS Erny van Axel and the team who are also responsible for ministry in Guyana and French Guiana. Thank the Lord for the completion of the full Bible into Suriname Javanese. Pray for the five translation projects currently running. Ask God to bless the Trauma Healing ministry for women and children and the prison distribution.

Thank God for answering prayer and changing lives.

Terms and Abbreviations

FCBH: Faith Comes by Hearing - A programme providing audio Scripture for listening groups, set up mainly through local churches.

Trauma Healing: Bible-Based counselling for survivors of traumas such as epidemics, disasters or war.

Good Samaritan Project: A Bible-based HIV/AIDS education programme. Workshop based, multi-media training.

GS: General Secretary.

CEO: Chief Executive Officer.

OT/NT: Old/New Testament.

Bible-a-month Project September: Austria

The journey of a refugee can be long, difficult and dangerous. For most, the destination does not feel like home – they have left behind property, possessions and loved ones. In Austria the Bible Society is working with churches to ensure that refugees feel welcomed. Many are finding help and support in church gatherings and drop-in centres. The requests keep coming for Bibles and the Bible Society is so happy to be able to provide them.

- Pray for the thousands of refugees in Austria, that during this most difficult time in their lives they would find hope and guidance in the truth of God’s words.
- Pray that churches and the wider society would show hospitality to refugees and asylum seekers. Pray that the Bible Society would be able to work with churches and organisations to continue providing the Bible to people who ask for it.
- Praise God that many refugees are coming to Jesus and getting baptised. Pray that these new Christians would find a church and community to love them and help them.



This month £5 will give a New Testament to a refugee in Austria.

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