


# PRAYER CALENDAR

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October 2025

A photograph of an elderly woman standing next to a large, textured rock. She is wearing a purple and white striped shawl and a matching headscarf. She is holding a thin white stick in her right hand. The background shows some greenery and a clear sky.

“I lift up my eyes to the mountains – where  
does my help come from? My help comes from  
the Lord, the Maker of heaven and earth.”

PSALM 121:1,2

# OCTOBER

## SYRIA

### 1 October

Pray with Razzouk Al-Akhras, a worker in the Alliance Church in Homs. He shared his prayer for the church as Syria's new government takes power: "I pray the coming time is for the Lord's glory, and that this government will support the church in its mission."

### 2 October

Razzouk asks us to raise prayers for God to bring lost people to the glory of the Lord and strengthen the church. "I am present here because this is my calling. The Lord called me to glorify His name."

### 3 October

In Homs, Pastor Edward Mossa helps lead a home for youth. He hopes you'll pray with him: "We pray for each other in all circumstances. We call upon you to pray for us, that these times may pass as peacefully as possible."

## NORTH KOREA

### 4 October

A small number of believers

have access to Bibles buried in the ground and concealed in walls. Pray that hidden Bibles will be protected, preserved and used to build up and empower the Body of Christ.

### 5 October

Pray that Christians who no longer have access to a Bible will recall Scripture they once knew and find encouragement in it.

### 6 October

Pray for believers who have access to portions of the Bible, that they may share these Scriptures and discern when and how to share their testimonies and teach others.

### 7 October

Pray for brave Christians who share the Gospel in the most dangerous circumstances. Pray for comfort and spiritual encouragement for those who are imprisoned or suffering because of their courageous testimony.

### 8 October

Pray for opportunities and divine appointments so that even in secret, the message of hope continues to spread in North Korea.

*North Korean Bible.*



## CENTRAL ASIA

### 9 October

Pray by name today for 65-year-old, Pastor Pavel Schreider in Kyrgyzstan. He's facing five to seven years in jail. Pray Psalm 91 over him and that the Lord will bring Scriptures to his mind.

### 10 October

Pray for Yildan\* and his daughter. The secret police picked him up and interrogated him about distributing Christian literature. The court fined him a hefty \$625. Pray for his family's provision.

### 11 October

During an interrogation, Yildan courageously explained he wanted people to know about the true and living God. Now his family is living under the authorities' scrutiny. Pray for perseverance as they suffer under surveillance.

### 12 October

Pray for a church that was deceived by a man who pretended to be interested in Christianity. He was a spy. Police raided the church

and detained the members for two days without food. Pray for recovery as they're traumatised.

## VIETNAM

### 13 October

In the northern region, authorities banned 17 Hmong Christian families from attending church and stripped them of their government benefits. Ask God to keep His hand on them and provide for them.

### 14 October

Despite the hardship they face, 17 Hmong families continue to seek ways to worship in secret. Pray their faith remains strong during this difficult time.

### 15 October

Pray that God makes a way for all Vietnamese believers to attend church services without fear. *God, please be ever-close to our sisters and brothers today.*

### 16 October

Praise God for a local partners' satellite Bible school programme that reaches people from rural

*Vietnamese believers (faces hidden for security).*



areas who can't afford to travel to pursue full-time training.

### 17 October

By the end of a satellite Bible school programme, students earn a certificate, making them eligible to serve in local churches and plant churches. Pray that word would spread.

## ARABIAN PENINSULA

### 18 October

A group of disciple makers and their friends are asking us to pray, as Christians in the Arabian Peninsula are asked to leave their respective countries. Pray for believers and church plants to withstand this pressure.

### 19 October

Pray for our brothers and sisters to abide in Christ, praying daily and leaning into His Word. Pray they will not succumb to fear and worries (Phil. 4:6).

### 20 October

Pray for softened hearts and open minds for those in power. Ask God to grant His people favour with authorities, as witnessed in Scripture.

### 21 October

Ask God that His people would hear His voice and obey Him. *Father, we pray that You would be so pleased with them that even their enemies will treat them well.*

## CHINA

### 22 October

The senior leader of a house church in West China was taken from his home by police officers and unjustly accused. Our field partner shares: "Your urgent prayers are needed to support the church and its members who are suffering for their faith."

### 23 October

Police summoned other key members and staff of a West China house church for questioning. The church has a positive reputation across all of China. Pray that God would loosen these chains.

*Chinese house church.*



## BANGLADESH

### 24 October

Pray with your brother, Nahid Babu, today. He's one of the first groups of students who graduated from a youth discipleship programme led by Open Doors' local partners.

### 25 October

After a discipleship programme, Nahid can respond to the growing scrutiny and questions of

family members and friends. Pray for courage to continue to serve the Lord faithfully without fear.

## 26 October

Pray that God would fulfil Nahid's dream of establishing a library at his church, where many people can come and begin to know God and study the Bible.

# IRAN

## 27 October

Pray with Hakob Gochumian, an Armenian Christian serving a 10-year sentence in Iran. Hakob has described severe mistreatment, including death threats. Ask God to intervene.

## 28 October

Iran's Supreme Court rejected Hakob's two appeals for a retrial. Pray for justice to prevail with Iranian authorities overturning this false

conviction and releasing him immediately.

## 29 October

Pray for wisdom and courage for Hakob's legal advocates and for doors to open internationally to bring attention to his case. *God, we intercede for our brother Hakob and ask You to intervene in this difficult situation.*

## 30 October

Pray for all imprisoned Christians in Iran – may they feel the presence of the Holy Spirit, be strengthened in hope, and remain steadfast in truth.

## 31 October

Pray for repentance and transformation in Iranian officials, especially those who use intimidation and false accusations to suppress the Church and house churches.

*Main entrance of Iran's Evin Prison.*



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