



PRAY FOR SYRIA

Church attack survivors – Elias, Hanan and their five children were present when terrorists bombed Saint Elias Church. Despite the trauma, Elias says: *“We thank the Lord for everything.”* Pray their faith stays strong and they witness to God’s goodness.

Ibrahim (age 8) – Pray for the son of Elias and Hanan, present during the bombing. Pray that trauma healing sessions will help him find peace.

Local partners – Our local partners have lived through years of war, the earthquake, a change of government, ongoing violence, and the church attack. Pray for God’s strength and healing.

Counselling ministry – Women and children affected by the June 2025 Damascus church bombing are receiving counselling. Pray for wisdom for counsellors and healing for survivors.


Staying in Syria – Many Christians want to leave. Pray a faithful remnant feels called to serve the Lord in Syria, and that those who leave continue to follow Jesus.

Microloans – Dozens of Christians have started or expanded businesses through microloans received from Open Doors local partners. Pray for flourishing businesses that support families.

Peace and safety – Christians in coastal and southern regions are caught in violence without taking up arms. Pray for peace, stability and wise solutions to ongoing tensions.



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PRAY FOR PALESTINE

Youth outreach – Young Palestinian Christians use social media to help others reconnect with God, the Bible and the Church. Pray for those young people and a blessing on their work.

Bible reading challenges – One participant shared: *“Many youth feel lost. But when I got closer to God, I realised the answer is in the Bible ... We truly thank God for people like you who help us stay strong and not give up on Jesus.”* Pray that many more grow closer to God through Scripture.

PRAY FOR ISRAEL

Jewish people – Praise God for the growing number of Messianic believers. Pray that more Jewish people trust Jesus as their Messiah.

Palestinian and Arab Christians – Pray for Palestinian and Arab Christians who faithfully served God through the recent war, that they will be a positive witness to both Arab and Jewish communities.

PRAY FOR IRAQ

Secret believers – Converts from Islam *“face very hard challenges because they are believers in secret,”* says a pastor. He runs a risk working with these converts, so he asks: *“Please pray for my family and me, that God will strengthen our faith and will protect us.”*

Secret churches and isolated converts – Pray for the growth of secret churches and for isolated converts with no community to meet with.

Persecuted believers – Pray for believers persecuted by family and community – for resilience, safe shelter and provision.



Employment for Christians – Becoming a Christian can cost someone their job. Pray for employment in safe, unbiased workplaces.

Ministry work among converts – The work with converts is growing but risky. Pray for new leaders to disciple and shepherd this flock.

PRAY FOR YEMEN

Eight church networks inside Yemen share their prayer needs. A Yemeni Christian writes: *“We are grateful for your love and support during this important season. May the Lord bless your ministry richly.”*

Pray for believers for

- Bold witness in every circumstance, whether in freedom or imprisonment.
- Daily strength, hope and endurance amid conflict, isolation and hardship.
- Protection and wisdom in daily movements and relationships.
- Meaningful fellowship and unity among isolated believers.
- Joy in the midst of trials:
“Whenever we feel discouraged, may the Holy Spirit remind us that a crown of victory awaits us and that the Kingdom of the Lord has been prepared for us.”
- Provision of everyday needs and divine protection over leaders and believers.

Pray for families and the community

- Christians often struggle to marry a fellow believer while honouring family expectations. Pray for God’s guidance.
- Pray for every struggling family that the Lord turns hardship into blessing.
- Livelihood initiatives (sewing, small shops, etc.) help restore financial independence and honour. Pray for their success.



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Pray for the Church for

- New leaders in every province so the Church doesn't depend on travelling leaders, especially in hard-to-reach regions.
- The new generation of leaders and a passing of the baton from senior to younger leaders.
- Unity across generations – first, second and third-generation believers walking together.
- Women of faith – that God raises up women like Esther, Ruth and Deborah.
- Protection over house churches; may God use them to grow His kingdom.
- Wisdom to handle those who approach the Church for financial gain or who try to expose believers.

Pray for outreach and mission

- Pray that the social media ministry team will have strength, protection, wisdom and creativity.
- Pray that God reveals Himself through dreams, visions, the internet and testimonies.
- Pray for new seekers, open hearts and transformation among Yemeni people.
- Pray for peace throughout Yemen and wisdom for the nation's leaders.

Pray for the Discipleship House

One leader from a remote rural area writes: *"We laughed together, cried together in this house, and I hope it will always be a permanent home for the church, open to everyone at any time."* Pray for this centre to send out missionaries across all of Yemen and for the safety of all involved.