

## APRIL PRAYER CALENDAR

*\* Names changed for security purposes*



*Group photo of women participating in an activity in the self-help group.*

### PERSECUTED WOMEN

#### 1 North Korea

Pray for our safe house ministry for North Koreans, many of them are trafficked women. Pray for protection and they will come to faith.

#### 2 Laos

In the first week of April, local partners will conduct discipleship workshops for women to equip leaders as they serve their community. Pray for wisdom and protection.

#### 3 Indonesia

Pray for women who have received sewing training as they look to share the love of Jesus with their Muslim neighbours during the Eid al-Fitr festival season. Pray that their neighbours will become more open to the gospel.

#### 4 Central Asia

Many women who come to Christ from Muslim background are persecuted by their family. They may become no place to go and no one to call for help. Our networks are helping them in practical ways. Please continue to uphold our sisters in prayer.

### INDIA

#### 5 India

Pray for the 2024 elections, even as the time for the results is near, due to which political parties would be active, numerous campaigns and rallies are expected. Pray for a peaceful accomplishment and that God-ordained alliances will be formed. Pray also for a safe and conflict-free environment.

#### 6 India

By April, we foresee more polarization in terms of religion and caste. This will result in tough times for the common population. Pray for God's intervention for the security of pastors, churches, Christian schools, organizations, and believers.

### MALDIVES

#### 7 Maldives

This island nation declares itself to be 100% Muslim. Anyone who leaves Islam must keep their faith secret. Pray for their peace.

#### 8 Maldives

Pray this would be the year that secret believers can access the Bible in their own language.

#### 9 Maldives

Pray by name for the country's new President Mohamed Muizzu. Pray he will embrace freedom for religious minorities.

#### 10 Maldives

Pray that Christians in the Maldives will be encouraged, knowing they're part of a global, praying family.

### MYANMAR

#### 11 Myanmar

Pray with Cho\*, an Open Doors partner who often travels 10 to 12 hours to serve believers. Pray for protection and perseverance.

#### 12 Myanmar

Every mile, Cho encounters military or rebel checkpoints. Pray that he would have favor with the guards.

#### 13 Myanmar

"Your prayers are our protection," Cho says. "Prayers back us up and push us during the journey." Pray that Brother Cho will remain resilient and full of faith.

### NIGERIA

#### 14 Nigeria

Today marks 10 years since 276 girls were kidnapped from their school in Chibok. Pray for grieving parents of the estimated 112 women who remain missing.

#### 15 Nigeria

Pray for our family in Mangu Local Government Area (LGA) who suffered a nearly daily wave of jihadist violence at this time last year.

#### 16 Nigeria

Pray for the loved ones of the 300 Christians killed in the LGA attacks. Many remain in internal displacement camps.

#### 17 Nigeria

Pray for Magdalene whose young daughter was killed in the Christmas eve attacks in Plateau State. This season was the first Easter without her.

### 18 Nigeria

In Nigeria, a Christian dies every two hours, on average. Pray that God would “protect the paths of justice and guard the way of those who are loyal to Him” (Prov. 2:8).

### 19 Nigeria

Pray bold prayers that God would raise up Bible studies and churches in Nigeria’s IDP camps.

### 20 Nigeria

Pray for the resilience of our family in Nigeria and throughout sub-Saharan Africa ... that they “would walk and not grow weary” (Isaiah 40:31).

## SRI LANKA

### 21 Sri Lanka

Five years ago today, Islamic extremists bombed three churches. Pray with those who lost loved ones in the attacks. This is an especially difficult day.

### 22 Sri Lanka

Pray by name for Zion Church Pastor Kumaran and his wife Sarantha, who lost their 12-year-old son Malkiya in the attack on their church.

### 23 Sri Lanka

Pray for Kuweni whose youngest son Kevin was killed in the Zion bombing. Pray for her mother’s heart today and that she would know God’s love for her.

### 24 Sri Lanka

Pray for Praba, a Sunday school teacher at Zion Church who lost her eight-year-old son Peter. “People who had never seen us were praying for us when we could not,” she says. “Because of their prayers, we have been able to stay strong in our faith.”

## BANGLADESH

### 25 Bangladesh

Pray for strength for your brother Rahman\*, an ex-Iman. Since trusting Christ, he has lost his job at the mosque and is struggling to survive.

### 26 Bangladesh

Rahman’s family is struggling, waking up wondering if they will eat that day. Pray fervently for food on their table.

### 27 Bangladesh

Pray for Rahman’s wife who cares for their four young children at home. Ask God to give her His wisdom and courage when she is alone with them.

### 28 Bangladesh

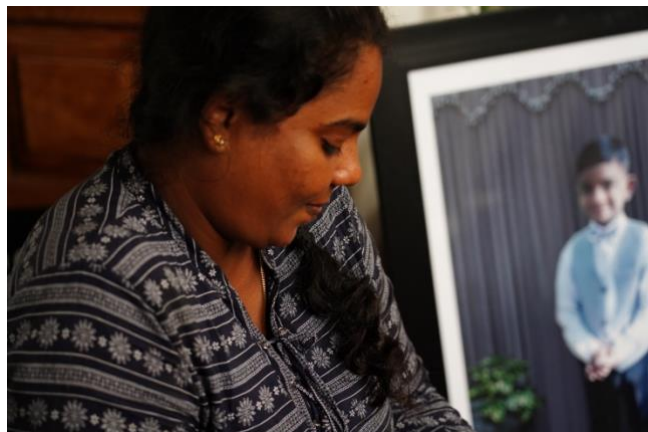
Ask God to protect their children and make a way for them where they can learn the words of God and grow spiritually.

### 29 Bangladesh

“I do not have a Christian community. This is a difficult life,” Rahman says. Pray that God would bring other believers to this family.

### 30 Bangladesh

Ask God to help those in Bangladesh who have left Islam to follow Him. Pray that He would raise them up to lead the next generation.



*Photo: Praba is the mother of 7 year-old Peter who perished in the Easter attack in Sri Lanka 5 years ago.*

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***“Rejoice always, pray continually,  
give thanks in all circumstances;  
for this is God’s will for you in Christ Jesus.”***

*1 THESSALONIANS 5:16-18*