

# OPEN DOORS HONG KONG

# NOVEMBER PRAYER CALENDAR

*\*Names changed for security purposes*

## 1 Central Asia

For Rina\*, meeting with other Christians is risky as her relatives are Muslim and will kill her if they find out she is a Christian. However this is the only way she can know more about Jesus. Please pray for her protection as she meets with other Christians.

## 2 Central Asia

In Central Asia, believers from a Muslim Background face serious resistance from local Muslim communities and clerics when seeking to bury their Christian relatives. Pray for wisdom for them as they not only mourn their lost loved ones, but also face much pressure in trying to bury them.

## 3 Tajikistan

Hakim\* (17), a believer from a Muslim Background, has gone through a difficult time since he became a Christian. He has been oppressed, beaten, and burnt by his oldest brother for refusing to recant. Pray for strength for him to withstand the pressure to return to Islam.

## 4 Kazakhstan

Pray with secret Christian leaders whose life, family and ministry are under constant government surveillance. Pray that they would experience peace and rest as they continue to press on in their calling and share the gospel.

## 5 Eritrea

Pray for the many Christians who remain imprisoned for their faith in Eritrea. Pray for grace, comfort and encouragement in the knowledge that they are never alone. May they have a deep sense of God's presence and love for them whenever they feel hopeless.

## 6 Guinea

When Diarraye Diallo (34) told her Muslim husband that she had become a Christian, he gave her a choice: Jesus or him. She chose Jesus and was hit, humiliated and chased out of her home. Now she, her children and mother (also a Christian) are struggling to survive. Pray that the Lord will be their faithful provider.

## 7 Nigeria

In June this year, Muslim Fulani herdsmen went on a killing spree in villages around Jos, Plateau State, murdering as many as 200 people and displacing thousands. Please pray for provision for the displaced, and for wisdom and urgency for the government to address these ongoing attacks.

## 8 Nigeria

In May, a Muslim cleric had youths abduct a 16-year-old girl. Pray for God's intervention, as abduction and the forced marriage of Christian girls are increasing. Pray that those who have been abducted will be reunited with their families.

## 9 Togo

Since July, unidentified persons have vandalised five mosques in a suspected effort to create enmity between Muslims and Christians in Togo. Pray that all plans to pit Muslims and Christians against one another will fail.

## 10 Ethiopia

Ibrahim grew up in a Muslim family and had to keep his faith secret when he became a Christian. Eventually, his family found out and he had to flee with only the clothes on his back. Pray for God's protection over him and that his family will also be saved.

## 11 Tanzania

A young believer from a Muslim Background has been falsely accused by angry Muslims of desecrating the Qur'an. After he converted to Christianity, he burnt all his witchcraft and Muslim paraphernalia (not the Qur'an). Pray that this young man will be vindicated from any wrongdoing and that he will remain strong in the faith.

## 12 Cameroon

Omar (31), a former Muslim cleric, was kicked out of his village, and his wife and three children taken away from him, because he became a Christian. Pray that God will protect him as people seek to punish him for accepting Jesus. Pray too that he will be reunited with his family.

### 13 Somalia

Clans play a major role in the Somali society—conversion to Christianity is regarded as a betrayal and shame to the family, clan and nation. Any convert, if discovered can expect severe punishment. Pray for much wisdom and discernment for Somali Christians.

### 14 Uganda

Praise the Lord that 15-year-old Hadija has been given permission by her father to remain with Mellina, who took her in after much persecution from her father. Pray that God will carry her through her last year and a half of primary school.

### 15 Algeria

In Algeria, new believers face systematic persecution from their Muslim families. Please pray for strength; pray also that God will put them in touch with other believers in their area so that they can spur each other on in the faith.

### 16 Tunisia

Halima\*, a Christian, was kicked out by her husband because their 15-year-old daughter became a Christian too. Pray for provision for Halima and strength for her daughter to keep the faith, as she still lives with her father.

### 17 Libya

A young Christian woman in Libya has received several marriage proposals from Muslim men. She has her heart set on marrying a Christian man. Pray that she will have the strength to stick to her conviction, and that God will bring a godly Christian man into her life.

### 18 Iran

Christian parents in Iran find it difficult to raise their children as their children receive Islamic teaching at school, and they lack biblical resources and connection with other Christians. Pray for wisdom and guidance for these parents amid these challenging circumstances.

### 19 Iran

Iran has a high divorce rate and Christians are not immune to it. Pray that new believers will find help in adjusting to a biblical understanding of marriage. Pray also for much-needed resources that provide sound teaching about marriage.

### 20 Yemen

Pray that Jesus will reveal Himself to the young people in Yemen as they search for answers and the truth. Pray that they will discover who Christ is and come to believe in Him.

### 21 Middle East

Every day, for many hours, follow-up teams in the Middle East engage in live chats with our persecuted brothers and sisters online. Pray for wisdom and renewed energy for each conversation, as they talk

with at least 70 different people each month.

### 22 Syria

Pray for the leaders of Syria – that they will put the interests of the country's citizens before their own; that they will end the war that has turned this country into a wasteland of ruins.

### 23 Iraq

While Islamic State has been driven out of Iraq, the internal quarrels and struggles, that in the past have divided this country and its people, have resurfaced. Pray that amid this, Christians will be a shining light and an example of unity to those around them.

### 24 India

In India, when a family member accepts Jesus, their family unites with the rest of their village to make life difficult for them in finding work or tending their fields. Pray for strength and for other sources of provision for these Christians.

### 25 India

Sumit\* said, "I learned about God's love and that drove me to my ministry as a pastor. But now I'm facing many challenges, especially persecution and oppression. Pray that God will help me endure. I want to do His will in all situations. Also pray that God keeps my family safe."

### 26 Maldives

Thank you to all who have been praying for the Maldives. There are reports of an increasing openness in the spiritual climate of the country. Continue to pray that many will come to faith in Christ.

### 27 Indonesia

Research has shown that in the past few years, high school and university students have been exposed to more radical Islamic teaching. Pray that the government will monitor such activity, and counter it by teaching religious tolerance toward all faiths.

### 28 Bangladesh

Earlier this year, authorities and Muslim extremists carried out a major crackdown on believers from a Muslim Background. Many received death threats. Pray for all these Christians for a resilient faith, boldness, and wisdom in sharing the gospel.

### 29 Pakistan

According to a local Christian leader, the newly elected Imran Khan, is rooted in the same old extremism that has tortured Christians for decades in Pakistan. Pray that God will equip Christians to stand strong under this country's new leadership.

### 30 North Korea

Christians in North Korea face unimaginable difficulties for choosing to follow Jesus instead of worshipping Kim Jong-Un. Pray that the Lord will uphold our brothers and sisters who face various trials, in all areas of life, for the faith.