



BMS Prayer Guide 2025

Pray with BMS World Mission from **January to April**



Welcome

to the first issue of the *BMS World Mission Prayer Guide 2025*.

“What shall I return to the Lord for all his goodness to me?

I will lift up the cup of salvation and call on the name of the Lord.”

(Psalm 116: 12-13)

Over the last year at BMS World Mission, we have seen the goodness of God in so many ways. From BMS mission worker Valerie Kisaber seeking justice for children in Uganda, to Baptist churches sharing the gospel during the Paris Olympics and Paralympics, people are finding abundant life in Christ around the world. Thanks to God’s faithfulness and your dedicated prayers and generosity, lives are being changed.

But God’s goodness raises a question for us – what should we return to the Lord to thank him? Psalm 116 reminds us that God wants our love and devotion above anything else. We are to call on God’s name in prayer, lift up the cup of God’s salvation and offer up our lives to him in worship.

As the new year begins, my prayer is that 2025 will be a year where you are rooted in the love of Christ, so that you might grow to share that love with others. I hope that you will find the prayers in this issue of the *Prayer Guide* helpful as you call on the name of the Lord and worship him.

God bless you,
Chris Manktelow, *Prayer Guide* Editor

Photo:
Women across India are finding abundant life in Christ and sharing the gospel with their friends and family.
Credit: Alex Baker

Front cover photo:
BMS-supported worker Valerie Kisaber visits schools to teach children how to recognise and report signs of child abuse.
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Ingrid and Roger Hamlet are setting up a Prosthetics and Orthotics Department at Guinebor II Hospital in Chad.

Ingrid and Roger Hamlet

29 Dec to 4 Jan

Ingrid and Roger Hamlet joined BMS World Mission earlier this year as specialists in orthotics and prosthetics, respectively. Having completed their missions and French language training, they will be relocating to serve at Guinebor II Hospital in N'Djamena, Chad, where they will set up a Prosthetics and Orthotics Department in early 2025.

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SUNDAY 29

The beginning of 2025 marks the beginning of a new journey in the missional life of Roger, who spent his early years in Nepal, the child of missionaries. Give thanks for the heart for global mission laid at the centre of Roger's life.

MONDAY 30

Pray for that same sense of following where God has been leading her that is evident in Ingrid's call. From meeting on their first day at university, Ingrid had a confidence that one day they would be called to serve as a couple.

TUESDAY 31

As much as New Year's Eve is a chance to look forward, it also sees us glancing back. As the Hamlets head to Chad, lift up in prayer the loved ones they leave behind.

WEDNESDAY 1

Last April, Ingrid and Roger moved to Paris with their two boys, Mark and Joel, who'll join them on the journey to Chad. Please pray that the transition to a new way of life will be smooth.

THURSDAY 2

Ingrid and Roger are establishing a Prosthetics and Orthotics Department at Guinebor II. Please pray for all the logistics, funding and space required to complete this project.

FRIDAY 3

After nine months of French language training, pray that God will give the Hamlets the fluency they need to build lasting relationships with the community they are serving.

SATURDAY 4

Guinebor II Hospital is close to all our prayers this week. Please pray for the work of the other mission workers there: Claire Bedford, Kalbassou Doubassou and Lucia Bastos.



Local believers are praising God for the opening of a new church building in Wang Daeng, Thailand.

Heart for the Gospel

5-11 January

Our prayer is that people who've never heard the gospel would experience the abundant life that Jesus alone provides. BMS World Mission is committed to training disciple makers who share the gospel within their own cultures and contexts. Please pray with us this week as we focus on our Heart for the Gospel.

SUNDAY 5

Praise God for BMS mission worker Ben Francis, who is leading a team of church planters. Pray for God's protection and for wisdom to share the gospel in ways that draw people to Christ.

MONDAY 6

Give thanks to God for BMS mission workers Louise and Peter Lynch in Bangladesh. Pray for strength and for their ongoing support in teaching theological students and training national workers to demonstrate God's love.

TUESDAY 7

BMS-supported worker Barnabas Hembron is doing great work in making Jesus known. Pray that God will open new doors for him and his team to proclaim the message of Christ.

WEDNESDAY 8

Praise God for the increasing number of disciples in North Africa. Pray that those coming to faith in Christ will be resilient in the face of opposition and persecution.

THURSDAY 9

Thank God for the new mission centre in Wang Daeng. Pray that this will be a centre of hope for young people. Pray that 100 new disciple makers would be trained and sent.

FRIDAY 10

BMS partner Thailand Karen Baptist Convention is seeking to expand its disciple-making programme. Pray for resources to recruit, train and send new workers to new places.

SATURDAY 11

The Lord has opened a new door for BMS' work in Mongolia. Pray for the successful training of 100 disciple makers who will preach the gospel and plant churches.



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Your generosity provides vocational training classes for refugee women in Lebanon.

Help for the Journey

12-18 January

More than 130 million people worldwide are living in temporary conditions, having been forced to flee from their homes. BMS World Mission's Help for the Journey programme supports forcibly displaced people as they seek safety.

SUNDAY 12

BMS' work in 'source' contexts mitigates possible displacement by training leaders to nurture missional churches that bless their communities. Pray for our partners in this work: Thimar and the Arab Baptist Theological Seminary (Lebanon) and Bethlehem Bible College (Israel-Palestine).

MONDAY 13

Pray for BMS partner Middle East Concern, which supports people in the Middle East and North Africa who are discriminated against or persecuted for being or becoming Christians.

TUESDAY 14

BMS' work in 'transit' contexts offers humanitarian, relational and spiritual support to displaced people living in temporary refugee camps. Pray for our partner Shepherd Society, which sends teams to support Syrian and Iraqi refugees temporarily living in Jordan.

WEDNESDAY 15

Pray for BMS partner All4Aid, whose work on the Greek island of Lesbos supports displaced people living in transit camps. Pray for the resilience of partner staff who offer practical and emotional support.

THURSDAY 16

Pray for BMS partner Thimar, which provides education through local churches to school-aged Syrian children living in Lebanon.

FRIDAY 17

BMS' work in 'destination' contexts seeks to cultivate same or near-culture congregations that welcome displaced people who've newly arrived in Europe. Pray for BMS partner Quest Academy, which trains men and women to reach out to their own communities.

SATURDAY 18

Pray for the French Baptist Federation as they support, along with BMS, new church plants that reach out to Afghan, Iranian, Ukrainian and North African populations.





Alfred leads a BMS-supported village savings group in Uganda, which helps people lift themselves out of poverty.

Hope for the World

19-25 January

This week we hold Mozambique in our prayers as the work of BMS World Mission in the country comes to a close. We give thanks for the work of the Association of Mozambican Christian Lawyers, which provides legal aid for marginalised people, and for Baptist churches across the country.

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SUNDAY 19

Pray for wisdom, faithfulness and strong leadership for the Baptist Convention of Mozambique and their current Board. Pray that Baptist pastors throughout the country will encourage their congregations to grow in love and maturity.

MONDAY 20

Give thanks for the faithful work of BMS mission worker Carlos Tique Jone. Pray that God would be close to him and his family as he faces health issues, and that communities and churches he's served would continue to put into practice what he has taught them.

TUESDAY 21

Pray for the leadership of the Association of Mozambican Christian Lawyers, as they take this young organisation forward. May they secure a building, have clear priorities and continue to provide justice for people living in poverty.

WEDNESDAY 22

Pray that God will give students at the Association of Mozambican Christian Lawyers, a commitment to use their training not only to bring justice but also to love deeply those they advise.

THURSDAY 23

Pray for God's blessing on all the BMS mission workers who've served in Mozambique. Pray that God would continue to bring fruit from their work and the people they've trained.

FRIDAY 24

As Jane Edwards leaves Mozambique, give thanks for her work with the Association of Mozambican Christian Lawyers, and pray for a deep sense of peace and clear direction as God guides her next steps.

SATURDAY 25

As Mozambique faces many challenges, pray that God would raise up godly men and women who'll lead the country with integrity.



Benon Kayanja leads Justice Livelihoods Health, BMS' partner in Uganda, which transforms communities through local churches.

Recruitment

26 Jan to 1 Feb

BMS World Mission recognises that God gives people different skills and calls us to be a blessing to the nations, wherever we are based and whatever our culture. This week we focus on the recruitment of people in mission, people who serve organisations, hubs and networks, and programmatic and support staff.

SUNDAY 26

God calls people in mission from anywhere to everywhere. Pray for BMS as we seek to recruit people from diverse cultures and to value distinctive contributions from the Global Church.

MONDAY 27

Praise God for the increased diversity of the BMS workforce and for our Board of Trustees and Council. Pray for wisdom as we seek to foster inclusivity, create a sense of belonging and strengthen engagement globally.

TUESDAY 28

Pray for wisdom and discernment as BMS seeks to recruit the right people in the right place at the right time. Pray that we will increase the number of staff recruited and based in the Majority World.

WEDNESDAY 29

Pray to the Lord of the harvest to send workers to his harvest field. Give thanks for those already recruited and sent from across the Global Church.

THURSDAY 30

Pray for the People Pool – a new mechanism to enable people to provide short-term, targeted support to organisations, hubs and networks. Pray for the increased sharing of skills across the Majority Church.

FRIDAY 31

Pray for the Mission Personnel Operations and HR teams as they lead and support the recruitment of people serving in mission and of programmatic and support staff.

SATURDAY 1

Praise God for people who recently started serving in mission and who joined our workforce. Pray that they will thrive where they serve and play their part in being a blessing to the nations.





BMS World Mission worked with Baptist churches to provide life-saving aid to people displaced by conflict in north east D R Congo.

Relief

2-8 February

Thanks to your sacrificial giving and prayers, BMS World Mission's partners were able to respond courageously to disasters throughout 2024. Responses included providing emergency shelter, food and healthcare – mostly through local churches in disaster-affected communities.

☐ SUNDAY 2

Give thanks for our partner in Afghanistan. Their highly trained psychosocial care workers help communities overcome the trauma of disasters. They've recently provided support to earthquake and flash flood-affected communities.

☐ MONDAY 3

The civil war in eastern D R Congo continues to cause fear, displacement and chronic humanitarian needs. We pray for Baptist Unions in North Kivu working together to provide shelter, food and hope to many displaced by the conflict.

☐ TUESDAY 4

Pray for BMS' partner Thimar in Lebanon. They provide relief to thousands of Syrian refugees and vulnerable Lebanese communities, especially those at higher altitudes, where harsh winter conditions create difficult living conditions.

☐ WEDNESDAY 5

We pray again for Thimar in Lebanon. Give thanks for the courage of team members who provide relief for people displaced by devastating conflict.

☐ THURSDAY 6

BMS' partner in Nepal, Human Development and Community Services, provides preparedness training for communities that are vulnerable to disasters. We pray for the resilience of communities to grow and be sustained.

☐ FRIDAY 7

BMS' South Asian partners recently participated in a disaster response and preparedness learning forum in Nepal. Pray for greater collaboration with partners around the world.

☐ SATURDAY 8

BMS mission worker Laura-Lee Lovering provides training on disaster resilience for communities in Peru. Pray that communities will know how to prepare for and respond to disasters.

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Your generosity helps farmers plant trees in Afghanistan. Trees store carbon, reduce soil erosion and produce fruit for farmers who live off the land.

Creation Stewardship

9-15 February

We wait hopefully for spring, longing for the brighter days and new blooms. Yet Christ has given us a deeper hope for a more permanent renewal of all things. At BMS World Mission we know that we, like you, are Christ's ambassadors, sent out into a broken world to share hope in word and deed.

☐ SUNDAY 9

Psalm 25 reminds us that no-one whose hope is in God will ever be put to shame. In a world where reports of environmental crises and war can create feelings of hopelessness, declare your praise for God's faithfulness!

☐ MONDAY 10

Pray for Afghan communities who are planting and caring for food forests, which will improve family nutrition and income. Pray for the protection of the people and the land against worsening seasonal flooding and drought.

☐ TUESDAY 11

The Great Backyard Bird Count is this weekend. Jesus taught that not a bird dies without the Father's knowledge, and we are worth much more than sparrows. Pray for those around the world fearful for their lives due to extreme weather or war.

☐ WEDNESDAY 12

Remember BMS' partner All4Aid serving migrants in Lesbos. Pray they will continue to find safe wastewater disposal options as they strive to provide sanitary facilities without contaminating water resources.

☐ THURSDAY 13

At BMS, this is our sixth year evaluating the environmental sustainability of our UK operations. Pray with us for greater engagement of UK Baptists with creation stewardship.

☐ FRIDAY 14

Thank God for the Social, Health, Education and Development Board in Bangladesh, whose creation stewardship activities include promoting water conservation and tree planting in schools and communities.

☐ SATURDAY 15

Pray for Creation Stewardship Co-ordinator Laura-Lee Lovering in Peru, and her work with the Piura Regional Baptist Association to promote disaster prevention and relief committees within churches.

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In 2022, Baptist churches in Poland faithfully showed Christ's love by welcoming thousands of Ukrainian refugees.

Ukraine

16-22 February

As the Russian war against Ukraine continues, we spend this week praying for the people of Ukraine and Russia. We pray too for the life and ministry of BMS World Mission's partner the Ukrainian Baptist Union, as the Church continues to serve those in need while facing many challenges itself.

☐ SUNDAY 16

At the outset of this week, we pray for a just and lasting peace between Russia and Ukraine that will enable the citizens of each country to put the conflict behind them. Pray also for global leaders and diplomats who are working for a peace settlement.

☐ MONDAY 17

Pray for the Ukrainian Baptist Union, the European Baptist Federation and their partners, courageously persevering in providing shelter, food and care to tens of thousands across the country.

☐ TUESDAY 18

Pray for Igor Bandura, Vice Chairman of the Ukrainian Baptist Union, and for his family, who currently live outside Ukraine. Pray for Igor as he travels widely, encouraging international leaders and church leaders to keep praying for and supporting Ukraine.

☐ WEDNESDAY 19

Many pastors have been conscripted, leaving gaps in the leadership of churches. Pray for the safety of pastors serving in the military and for their congregations to stay spiritually fed and nourished.

☐ THURSDAY 20

Jesus said, "I have told you these things, so that in me you may have peace. In this world you will have trouble. But take heart! I have overcome the world" (John 16: 33). Pray that the Church across Ukraine will know the peace of Christ.

☐ FRIDAY 21

Pray that injured soldiers returning from the front will adapt to daily life and receive quality treatment and pastoral care.

☐ SATURDAY 22

Pray for the European Baptist Federation as it co-ordinates and leads external Baptist organisational support for the Ukrainian Baptist Union.



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BMS World Mission encourages mutual learning and collaboration between cultures, as Jesus calls us all to bear witness to God's Kingdom.

Intercultural learning

23 Feb to 1 Mar

BMS World Mission mobilises, trains, resources and equips people in mission from the Global South by building mutual partnerships with people, organisations and churches.



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☐ SUNDAY 23

Pray for the Director of Intercultural Learning and Collaboration, Aniu Kevichusa. Pray that he will be able to encourage learning and collaboration between different cultures. Pray that his family (his wife and three teenage sons) will experience God's blessing in every sphere of life.

☐ MONDAY 24

Pray for BMS mission workers Dave and Michele Mahon and their family, who strengthen intercultural learning and collaboration in Peru. Pray that God will use them to inspire mission work in and from Peru.

☐ TUESDAY 25

Pray for the Learning Network in Mission at the International Baptist Theological Study Centre in Amsterdam. Pray that the training provided through the network will benefit the Global Church.

☐ WEDNESDAY 26

Pray for the Baptist Church Trust Association in New Delhi and BMS Kolkata. Pray that a mission movement will emerge from these centres to bless the great nation of India and its neighbours.

☐ THURSDAY 27

Pray for the Baptist churches in north east India with whom BMS is collaborating. Ask God to raise up a movement of disciple makers from churches in north east India.

☐ FRIDAY 28

Pray for the mission hub in Ghana. Pray that many people in mission will emerge from there and bless not only the great continent of Africa but also the world.

☐ SATURDAY 1

Pray that Christians, organisations and churches from all over the world will collaborate more deeply and partner more effectively in fulfilling the mission of God – together!



The African Oasis Mission Hub in Ghana is sending out evangelists to share the gospel in countries across North Africa.

Ghana

2-8 March

We recognise the immense contribution the Church in the Global South brings to God's mission. Creating opportunities to engage in mutual collaboration to fulfil the Great Commission is critical. We pray that the work of the Oasis Mission Hub in Ghana will bear much fruit for God's glory.

☐ SUNDAY 2

Praise God for the Oasis Mission Hub in Ghana and BMS' support in making this vision a reality. Pray that the mission hub will facilitate the recruiting, training and sending of young African mission workers to places in Africa and beyond.

☐ MONDAY 3

Thank God for the organisations that are collaborating to form the mission hub in Ghana. Pray that other mission-minded organisations would become partners and develop a sustainable mission hub.

☐ TUESDAY 4

The Church in Africa is increasingly positioning itself to become a significant participant in world mission. Pray that the mission hub would provide a platform where African majority churches in the diaspora will collaborate with local churches.

☐ WEDNESDAY 5

Pray that the mission workers trained through the mission hub would be ambassadors of Christ wherever they go. Praise God that the mission hub is already impacting many nations.

☐ THURSDAY 6

Praise God for the workers who have been trained through the mission hub. Pray that 100 mission workers would be trained and sent into cross-cultural or near-culture mission.

☐ FRIDAY 7

Pray for BMS-supported workers: that God will grant them favour, wisdom and relevant ways to mobilise churches, and resources to support young African missionaries.

☐ SATURDAY 8

Pray that local churches would support the call of women to cross-cultural mission. Pray that we would be able to train and send two mission workers to Conakry, the capital of Guinea.





Valerie Kisaber leads workshops in Ugandan schools that help children recognise and know how to report signs of child abuse.

Gender justice

9-15 March

This year's International Women's Day theme is 'Inspire inclusion'. This theme focuses on teaching our communities to value the inclusion of women. However, in many parts of the world, women are excluded from leadership. BMS World Mission is committed to promoting the visibility of women in leadership roles and the equality of men and women.



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☐ SUNDAY 9

Give thanks to God for female leaders among BMS' partners who willingly volunteer to serve within rigid cultural systems. Pray against spiritual discrimination in church, ministry and all levels of leadership.

☐ MONDAY 10

Pray for Dr Nadia, working with Biglife Middle East North Africa, BMS' partner in the region, as she mobilises, empowers and mentors women outreach workers and supports them through their theological studies.

☐ TUESDAY 11

Pray for Biglife, BMS' partner in India, as they encourage women to pursue their God-given calling through equipping women leaders and empowering them to participate in disciple making.

☐ WEDNESDAY 12

Pray for BMS' partner the Bangladesh Baptist Church Sangha as they advocate for women in leadership roles within the community and offer scholarships to train and encourage young women in ministry.

☐ THURSDAY 13

Pray for the French Baptist Federation's first female General Secretary, Joëlle Razanajohary, and for their community transformation network, as they welcome women into all aspects of church leadership.

☐ FRIDAY 14

Pray for Lorena Campoverde, who is responsible for mobilising local churches in the Mission and Evangelism Board of the Peruvian Baptist Convention, BMS' partner in Peru.

☐ SATURDAY 15

Pray that less literate women in local churches globally would receive Bible training, as we all search our hearts to find out who is missing and whom you can invite to your table.



Churches in Sierra Leone are using their God-given local resources to bless and transform communities.

Sierra Leone

16-22 March

BMS World Mission has been supporting two denominations in Sierra Leone to train their church leaders in Church and Community Mobilisation (CCM). This involves helping churches identify the local resources they have in their communities already, so they can take ownership of the change they want to see and transform lives.

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☐ SUNDAY 16

Thank God for the partnerships BMS has established with the Baptist Convention of Sierra Leone and the New Harvest Development Office, who are training more church leaders in Church and Community Mobilisation.

☐ MONDAY 17

Thank God for each of the church leaders in Sierra Leone who've been trained as Church and Community Mobilisation facilitators. Give thanks for their commitment to transform communities through local churches.

☐ TUESDAY 18

Pray for BMS-supported partner workers Rev Titus and Rev Steven in their roles as Church and Community Mobilisation co-ordinators. Pray for them as they organise activities and support facilitators across Sierra Leone.

☐ WEDNESDAY 19

Jesus came so that we "may have life and have it to the full" (John 10: 10). Thank God that Church and Community Mobilisation can help people find abundant life in Christ.

☐ THURSDAY 20

Church and Community Mobilisation facilitators are being trained in 350 new churches across Sierra Leone. Pray for God's blessing over the facilitators and the churches they lead.

☐ FRIDAY 21

"Church and Community Mobilisation gave me dreams and it made me realise I could reach them," says Joseph.* Give thanks that the lives of people like Joseph are being changed.

☐ SATURDAY 22

Jesus calls his disciples to be salt and light. Pray that churches in Sierra Leone that are involved in Church and Community Mobilisation will live out this calling.

*Name changed for security reasons.



BMS-supported worker Krishna Bahadur Bohora is deeply passionate about education and trains teachers across Nepal.

23-29 March

Nepal

Nepal remains a fragile country both economically and geographically. It has an unstable government and is prone to landslides, floods and earthquakes. This week we pray for the work of BMS World Mission's partners in the country.



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☐ SUNDAY 23

March is the beginning of the tourist season in Nepal. Pray that tourists will come and help the economy grow. Pray also for those whose daily food depends on tourists visiting Nepal.

☐ MONDAY 24

Pray for BMS mission worker Alan Barker as he continues to encourage the partnership and communications teams within BMS' partner Human Development and Community Services.

☐ TUESDAY 25

Pray for BMS mission worker Megan Barker as she works in various roles. Pray especially for the few Nepali occupational therapists that she continues to mentor and encourage.

☐ WEDNESDAY 26

Pray for the work of BMS' partner Kathmandu International Study Centre Educational Quality Improvement Programme as they seek to support Nepali schools and raise the quality of education.

☐ THURSDAY 27

Pray for BMS' partner the Nepal Baptist Church Council as it supports Baptist churches across Nepal and encourages them to have a positive influence in their communities.

☐ FRIDAY 28

Pray that BMS-supported workers Dil Karki, Krishna Bahadur Bohora and Sahara Mishra will keep growing both professionally and spiritually and continue to shine God's light where they work.

☐ SATURDAY 29

Please pray for Christians across Nepal who are gathering to worship today. Pray for humble and bold leadership across Baptist churches and for disciples to grow in faith, hope and love.



BMS mission worker Louise Lynch works with our partners to create safe spaces where everyone can flourish.

Creating safe spaces

30 Mar to 5 Apr

As BMS World Mission seeks to provide refuge and help to those in need, we want to make sure that the spaces in which we work are safe and honouring to God. Please join us in praying for safeguarding this week.

SUNDAY 30

The spaces BMS uses for its work can be big or small, virtual or real, and all need to be kept safe. Please pray for our partner Quest Academy as they help develop church leaders who create safe spaces in intercultural contexts.

MONDAY 31

Pray for Valerie Kisaber in Uganda, who works with caregivers to ensure that spaces at home, in school and in the community are ones where young people can safely learn and thrive.

TUESDAY 1

BMS works in places where disasters and conflict arise quickly and people become vulnerable who were not previously. Please pray that our partners are equipped to recognise and respond to these vulnerabilities.

WEDNESDAY 2

Please pray for the safeguarding team who ensure that BMS is a safe place for all its workers, partners and the people they reach.

THURSDAY 3

Pray that our partners can connect with safeguarding networks or expertise in their own countries for local support in creating their own safe spaces.

FRIDAY 4

BMS needs more experts who can support our partners with developing safeguarding practice. Please ask God to provide the right people for this vital work.

SATURDAY 5

As well as working in Bangladesh, Louise Lynch, Safeguarding Champion for Asia, meets with partners to support them with creating and maintaining safe environments. Please pray for her safety in travel as well as her work.





Pastor J trains evangelists who share the life-transforming gospel across Cambodia.

Cambodia

6 - 12 April

Cambodia is a beautiful country with an exquisite culture, delightful food and wonderful people. The population of Christians is less than five per cent of the total population. Pray that the Holy Spirit will draw many people to Christ as the gospel is preached.

SUNDAY 6

Pray for revival among the believers in Cambodia. Pray that the Holy Spirit would give Christians a deep desire to share the gospel with their neighbours and practically demonstrate God's love.

MONDAY 7

Give thanks for BMS-supported mission worker Pastor J, his wife and their three children. Pray for good health, for their children's progress in school and for their ministry to train Cambodian church leaders.

TUESDAY 8

Praise God that funding has been provided for one person to receive theological training. Pray that the right person will be supported and for more funding to support more people.

WEDNESDAY 9

Praise God for the BMS-supported hostel ministry, which provides a safe physical and spiritual haven for university students in Phnom Penh. Pray for Sister Kimi as she provides pastoral care for the students.

THURSDAY 10

Praise God for the discipleship and disciple making initiative that's equipping believers. Pray that the proposed training of 150 emerging leaders will be successfully delivered.

FRIDAY 11

Praise God for the three BMS-supported evangelists: Pastor Bros, Pastor Chea Kosall and Pastor Sokea. Pray for God's protection and provision as they serve their communities with compassion.

SATURDAY 12

Praise God that the work in Cambodia is growing and bearing fruit. Ask God to provide a suitable location to build the first Baptist mission training centre.



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Last year BMS mission worker Mark Hotchkin visited Moortown Baptist Church to share about BMS' medical work in Chad.

BMS community

13-19 April

The BMS World Mission community consists of Christians who are engaged in a diverse range of activities. We are so thankful for everyone supporting BMS through prayer, giving, volunteering, and working for BMS. Thank you for being a part of this incredible community.

SUNDAY 13

Give thanks for the BMS volunteers who tirelessly inspire their own or other churches by sharing BMS news. Their talks keep their church family connected and engaged. Please pray for God's wisdom to guide them as they continue this vital role.

MONDAY 14

Praise God for our dedicated community fundraisers, who organise and participate in events to support BMS. Please pray for fresh ideas, fruitful events and positive outcomes.

TUESDAY 15

Praise God for the faithfulness of our 24:7 Partners, who consistently pray for and support BMS. Ask that God will inspire more people to prayerfully consider joining this dedicated community. Thank God for the generosity of everyone who supports BMS, regardless of the size of their gift.

WEDNESDAY 16

Give thanks for present and past BMS staff and their invaluable contributions. Pray for ongoing wisdom, guidance and direction for the current team and leadership.

THURSDAY 17

Pray for all current and former BMS mission workers and the BMS Former Missionary Association. May they witness the fruits of their labour and be richly blessed for their dedicated service.

FRIDAY 18

Today, through services and outreach, churches that support BMS will reflect on Jesus' sacrifice on the cross. Pray that they will be a vibrant witness for Jesus in their community.

SATURDAY 19

As we eagerly await Jesus' glorious resurrection on Easter Sunday, give thanks for those pledging a gift in their Will to BMS, sharing abundant life with future generations.





Your generosity provided Syrian refugees in Lebanon with blankets, food and fuel during the harsh winter months.

Lebanon

20-26 April

At the time of writing, BMS World Mission's partner Thimar has shared that they have heard fighter jets over the city, breaking the sound barrier. This is just a threat. Despite the fear, threats and challenges, BMS' partner seeks to expand its work to be prepared to help more people. Lebanon needs our prayers.

SUNDAY 20

Pray for followers of Christ celebrating his resurrection today. Pray that healing power would flow through their communities, their land and the region, bringing peace and restoration.

MONDAY 21

Workers from BMS' partner Thimar say, "In the the absence of any foreseeable light at the end of the dark tunnel our country and region are going through, our call is to be the light in the tunnel for those around us." Pray for Thimar staff as they fulfil their calling.

TUESDAY 22

Give thanks for local churches, supported by Thimar and BMS, running informal education projects for Syrian refugees and displaced Lebanese. Pray for the wider family that ministry educators also have and for resources, energy and skills.

WEDNESDAY 23

Pray for theological students training with Thimar from across the Arabic-speaking world. Praise God that women and men are being equipped with culturally relevant ways to serve their communities.

THURSDAY 24

Give thanks for a new programme run by Thimar that helps young people discover and use their gifts and encourages them to stay in country and serve.

FRIDAY 25

Pray for Thimar's CEO, Nabil Costa. May he and the leadership team be led by God's wisdom and be filled with peace in times of challenge and turmoil.

SATURDAY 26

Pray for a just peace for Lebanon and the region. Pray for peace between countries and peace between communities. Pray for physical and emotional rebuilding and restoration.

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The Board of Trustees seeks to lead BMS World Mission with wisdom and integrity, as it oversees BMS' vision, mission and strategy.

Trustees

27 Apr to 3 May

BMS World Mission's Board of Trustees is drawn from across the Baptist community and is responsible for BMS' vision, mission and strategy. Trustees are elected by the BMS Council and bring a wealth of skills, experience and wisdom to their work.

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SUNDAY 27

Pray for the Trustees as they implement recommendations from an external review of how BMS is governed.

MONDAY 28

The Trustees are seeking to increase the diversity of the Board in terms of ethnicity, gender and skills. Pray that God will guide them and give them wisdom as they appoint new Trustees.

TUESDAY 29

The Trustees are also changing the recruitment process to make it more inclusive. Pray that they will find new people who can bring their God-given gifts and skills to the Board of Trustees.

WEDNESDAY 30

Give thanks for the good relationships within the Board and the Executive Directors Team. Pray that together they will seek God's guidance as they set out BMS' vision, strategy and mission.

THURSDAY 1

Ask God to help the Trustees as they organise due diligence checks on BMS' partners. Pray for mutual understanding and ask that together they will find new financing opportunities.

FRIDAY 2

Pray that the Board of Trustees and the Executive Directors Team will continue to receive the appropriate training that they need to lead BMS.

SATURDAY 3

Pray for the BMS Council, which is seeking to internationalise its membership. Pray that this will strengthen relationships with churches in the UK and in the countries where BMS works.

Africa	
Chad	Lucia BASTOS
Chad	Claire BEDFORD
Chad	Kalbassou DOUBASSOU
Chad	Ingrid and Roger HAMLET (Mark and Joel)
Chad	Andrea and Mark HOTCHKIN
Uganda	Genesis ACAYE
Uganda	Benon KAYANJA
Uganda	Valerie KISABER
Uganda	Jimmy OKELLO

Asia	
Bangladesh	Louise and Peter LYNCH
Bangladesh	Barnabas HEMBRON
Cambodia	Pastor J LALDUHAWMA
India	Benjamin and Gillian FRANCIS
Indonesia	Ardi WIRIADINATA
Nepal	Alan and Megan BARKER
Nepal	Krishna BAHADUR BOHORA
Nepal	Dil KARKI
Thailand	Helen and Withaya BOONDEEKHUN
Thailand	Paul and Sarah BROWN
Thailand	Judy COOK

Some names have been changed due to security reasons.
(Children aged 0-18 in brackets).

South America

Peru	Laura-Lee LOVERING
Peru	Dave and Michele MAHON (Jonathan, Ruth and Phoebe)

Europe

France	Daniel and Regiane CLARK
France	Philip and Rosemary HALLIDAY
Spain	Andrea and Ian

Middle East and North Africa

Afghanistan	Arthur and Reeta
Afghanistan	Grace
Afghanistan	Oksana
Afghanistan	Ruby
Afghanistan	Tim
Lebanon	Wissam NASRALLAH
Tunisia	Sophie

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"Do not grieve, for the joy of the
Lord is your strength."

Nehemiah 8: 10