



Prayer Guide 2026

Pray with BMS World Mission from January to April



Welcome

to the first issue of the BMS World Mission *Prayer Guide* 2026.

"He has shown you, O mortal, what is good. And what does the Lord require of you? To act justly and to love mercy and to walk humbly with your God." (Mic 6: 8)

First words are important, they carry weight and meaning and can show who we are and what we stand for. For my first BMS World Mission *Prayer Guide* editorial, this verse seemed to embed itself into my mind.

The prophet Micah tells us that we have all been shown how to do what is good and how to be. I would love to think that we are all excellent at this – I'm not sure about you? It can be difficult with everything going on in the world to know where to put our energy. It's a blessing to know however that whatever we do, beginning in prayer is a good start.

I pray that this year, you would join me in doing all we can to live just as the prophet Micah told us. Together, let's act justly, love mercy and walk humbly with our God.



God bless you,
Alice Cheeseman, *Prayer Guide* Editor

Front cover photo: Students at Clementia Learning Centre, Lebanon. Credit: Merath

Back cover: Issa Elbechara, a BMS-supported worker, shares the gospel with Muslim-background believers.

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BMS World Mission strategy

We are so proud of everything our mission workers, partners and supporters have achieved over the last five years. Please pray for us as we explore how we can better serve the growing Global Church.



Your prayers are so vital as we follow God's leading into the next five years of our strategy.

- ☐ **SUNDAY 28** Give thanks to God for his continued provision for BMS. Please pray for his guidance over the years to come.

- ☐ **MONDAY 29** Please pray that we will always seek to put God at the heart of everything we do, and that we will listen to his leading for the future.

- ☐ **TUESDAY 30** Thank God for the progress we have made so far as we grow and develop. Pray that we will lean on him as we continue to adapt to a changing world.

- ☐ **WEDNESDAY 31** Give praise for the expansion of the Global Church and for the Holy Spirit, at work creating believers. We pray that BMS will help build relationships between Christians across the world to empower people to keep sharing the love of God.

- ☐ **THURSDAY 1** We give thanks to God for the clear vision and mission he has given BMS for the future. Pray that we will help people experience fullness of life in Jesus Christ.

- ☐ **FRIDAY 2** As our workforce becomes more global, we thank God for calling people to BMS from across the world. We pray for more people to be inspired to work with and through BMS to see God glorified.

- ☐ **SATURDAY 3** We pray for the ordinary people doing ordinary work for an extraordinary God. Pray for wisdom and guidance for trustees and staff to discern how to use resources to bring about change in the world.

Jimmy Okello

Jimmy Okello serves with BMS World Mission in Uganda, equipping leaders and churches to bring gospel-centered transformation to their communities. This week, we lift up Jimmy, his family and his work with BMS' partner Justice Livelihoods Health (JLH) before God.



Jimmy is a leading minister supporting churches to reach their communities.

- ☐ **SUNDAY 4** Thank God for Jimmy and his family (wife Phionah, daughter Carissa and sons Dawn and Micaiah) and their commitment to serve the Church in Uganda. Give thanks for the transformation that is starting to emerge as a result of JLH's work in Gulu, northern Uganda.

- ☐ **MONDAY 5** Give thanks for the churches that have embraced the church and community mobilisation process (CCM) in Gulu. Praise God that they are facilitating real change in their communities.

- ☐ **TUESDAY 6** Pray that churches in Gulu and across Uganda will truly be salt and light in communities that are still reeling from the effects of civil war. Thank God for the unity that is developing between churches as a result of joint CCM training.

- ☐ **WEDNESDAY 7** Pray for good health and safety for Jimmy and his family as they travel over rough terrain to reach the people they serve and the children's school.

- ☐ **THURSDAY 8** Thank God for the recent graduation of 45 leaders of Lalar Baptist Church through a Church Engagement Programme. Pray that these leaders will be effective in evangelism and in discipling others.

- ☐ **FRIDAY 9** Pray for the health and protection of the CCM facilitators who are engaging with the 18 local churches taking part in the CCM process.

- ☐ **SATURDAY 10** Thank God for the growth of the Church in Uganda. Pray that the Church will shine a light of hope, integrity, peace and reconciliation.

Heart for the Gospel

BMS World Mission works with partners to share the good news of Jesus Christ with those in the least evangelised contexts. Please pray with us as we recruit, train, send and support gospel workers to bear lasting fruit.



Heart for the Gospel work in Cambodia reaches the poorest village communities with the love of Jesus.

- ☐ **SUNDAY 11** Praise God that through the BMS-supported gospel campaign in Cambodia, new believers are being baptised. Pray for God's wisdom for Pastor J as he leads the team to new places.

- ☐ **MONDAY 12** Pray that God will comfort and protect those who are being persecuted in North Africa and other places where BMS-supported workers are making disciples and planting churches.

- ☐ **TUESDAY 13** Praise God for the planting of new house churches in India. Pray that those who are coming to faith will be established in the knowledge of Christ and will grow in Christlikeness.

- ☐ **WEDNESDAY 14** Praise God for the female evangelists in Thailand. Pray that BMS will support the training of more women who respond to God's call to be evangelists and church planters.

- ☐ **THURSDAY 15** The African Oasis Hub in Ghana enables churches in Africa to train and send mission workers. Pray that through BMS' collaboration, 30 mission workers would be trained and sent to Muslim-majority places to share the gospel.

- ☐ **FRIDAY 16** Thank God for the UK Baptist churches who pray and support BMS to take the gospel to the least evangelised places. Pray that more churches would join BMS to train 20,000 evangelists in 2026.

- ☐ **SATURDAY 17** Pray for God's strength for BMS workers and partners who are working in the least evangelised places to bring help and hope through the proclamation of the gospel.

Kalbassou Doubassou

Kalbassou Doubassou is a BMS World Mission worker. He has been working at Guinebor II Hospital (G2) in Chad for ten years as a nurse-surgeon and G2's Hospital Director. Let's pray for him this week.



Kalbassou regularly performs life-saving operations such as C-sections and amputations.

☐ **SUNDAY 18** G2 Hospital is a constant hive of activity and there are many demands on Kalbassou's energy and time. Please pray for energy, strength and wisdom for Kalbassou in the daily demands he faces.

☐ **MONDAY 19** Kalbassou says he is grateful for the Lord's protection over his life and his family. Please pray for ongoing protection and good health for Kalbassou and his family, and for the right opening for his son who is seeking to enter medical school.

☐ **TUESDAY 20** Last year Kalbassou baptised seven new young believers who have started to attend his house church. Please pray for these young people that they will grow in their faith and discipleship journey.

☐ **WEDNESDAY 21** Please pray for the safety of all the workers at G2 Hospital, especially on the roads as staff travel to and from the hospital each day.

☐ **THURSDAY 22** Please pray for great teamwork at G2 Hospital, especially for the senior management team as they meet to discuss important matters on a regular basis.

☐ **FRIDAY 23** Please pray that the Lord will bless the hospital with another surgeon to help meet the increasing demand and spread the load.

☐ **SATURDAY 24** Please pray for the development of the new Prosthetics & Orthotics Department at G2 Hospital to help meet the needs of children and adults who are struggling with mobility.

Relief

This week we'll be praying for people caught up in and responding to conflict and disasters. BMS World Mission and its church-based partners are deeply engaged in sharing Christ's compassion through practical care across the world.



Molina Karmaker is one of a team in Bangladesh who support the most vulnerable at risk from flooding.

☐ **SUNDAY 25** Thank God that Marie, a mother of four in Goma, D R Congo, received vital aid from local Baptist churches. She says, "We lost everything in this war. I am relieved finally to be able to feed my children." Pray for all in desperate need.

☐ **MONDAY 26** Pray for Ludmila, Finance Manager of the Ukrainian Baptist Union, and her colleague Tanya. May God grant them both wisdom and strength as they serve in these key roles in the midst of ongoing war.

☐ **TUESDAY 27** Give thanks for mission workers Alan and Megan Barker, supporting and training colleagues in Nepal and across South Asia to fundraise and build their capacity. Pray for their health and safety.

☐ **WEDNESDAY 28** Lift up Marsha Schipio of the Baptist Forum for Aid and Development, networking and co-ordinating with Baptist partners around the world when major disasters strike.

☐ **THURSDAY 29** Pray for Molina Karmakar, Head of BMS' Bangladeshi partner SHED Board (Social Health Education and Development Board), and the key work SHED does with vulnerable and marginalised communities.

☐ **FRIDAY 30** Give thanks for the appointment of Doni Wijaya as Co-ordinator of Asia Pacific Baptist Aid (APBA). Pray for Doni as he settles in, supporting Baptist partners in South Asia responding to disasters such as typhoons and floods.

☐ **SATURDAY 31** Pray for Nirasha Jayettileke, also of APBA. Give thanks for her many skills and the warm relationships she has with APBA's partner organisations. Pray for Nirasha and Doni as they work together.

Andrea and Mark Hotchkin

Andrea and Mark are long-term mission workers with BMS World Mission, serving as doctors in the remote Tibesti region of Chad, at the hospital in Bardai.



The hospital is so remote that sourcing hospital equipment is tricky. BMS makes medical care possible for isolated groups.

☐ **SUNDAY 1** Please give thanks for Andrea and Mark's time in the UK from November to February. Give thanks for the encouraging and inspiring time that they have been able to have with churches, as well as wonderful times with family over Christmas.

☐ **MONDAY 2** Give thanks for all Andrea and Mark have achieved at the hospital: providing emergency and maternity services, important drugs to combat specific diseases, and surgical interventions. Please pray for the hospital in their absence, especially for the staff who remain.

☐ **TUESDAY 3** Pray for Andrea and Mark's family, especially their daughters. Pray for further opportunities to spend time together as a family before they return to Chad.

☐ **WEDNESDAY 4** Ask God for the success of an operation Mark has scheduled, and for swift recovery throughout February. Give thanks for continued health for both Andrea and Mark and their family.

☐ **THURSDAY 5** Please pray for Andrea and Mark's planned return to Chad, that all arrangements will go smoothly and God's hand of protection will continue to be with them, especially as they travel from the capital of Chad to the remote Tibesti region.

☐ **FRIDAY 6** Please pray for smooth a re-integration, for the resumption of great relationships with staff and patients, and quick settling back into life in the Tibesti.

☐ **SATURDAY 7** Please pray for continued wisdom, energy and strength as Andrea and Mark continue to serve God in all that they do.

Hope for the World

Many BMS World Mission projects fall under the 'Hope for the World' category. This week, let's pray for the countries of Nepal, Chad, Uganda and Sierra Leone where much of this work takes place.



BMS' partner Justice Livelihoods Health (JLH) works in Uganda to help communities rebuild, heal and thrive.

- ☐ **SUNDAY 8** Please pray for Nepal as it prepares for elections. Pray for a fair and transparent process and unity among communities. May the outcome positively affect BMS projects bringing community transformation.

- ☐ **MONDAY 9** Thank God for BMS medical ministries in Chad, serving communities affected by high child mortality rates, malaria and trauma wounds leading to bone fractures and amputations.

- ☐ **TUESDAY 10** Pray for BMS partner JLH as they work to widen their donor support base within Uganda and become self-sustaining. Ask God to bring them into contact with supporters.

- ☐ **WEDNESDAY 11** Please pray for church and community mobilisation (CCM) programmes, where BMS supports the training of facilitators. Facilitators help local churches think of practical solutions to community problems. Pray for many churches to catch the vision.

- ☐ **THURSDAY 12** Pray that the CCM initiative will enable churches to see how the gospel brings holistic change and how Christians can meet the spiritual and physical needs of those around them.

- ☐ **FRIDAY 13** Thank God for the staff of BMS' Hope for the World team – Wahome, Nicola, Sarah and Gladys. Pray for wisdom as we work with our partners and thank God for the provision of resources for this ministry.

- ☐ **SATURDAY 14** Pray for a training for CCM facilitators in Sierra Leone. The aim is to reflect on the atrocities they experienced during the many years of war and to allow healing. Pray this releases the facilitators to serve others.

Arthur and Reeta

Since BMS World Mission started working in Afghanistan in 1999, the country has gone through many devastating changes. One constant has been the witness to God's love by BMS' staff, including Arthur and Reeta who moved to Afghanistan in 2022.



BMS workers are committed to live as beacons of light in Afghanistan for as long as they can.



SUNDAY 15 Afghanistan remains a complex context. Pray for its people and leaders, that hope may flourish in the midst of unpredictability.



MONDAY 16 Pray that the new Executive Director of BMS' partner would settle in well and lead with humility and courage. Pray for Reeta and the other directors working with the Executive Director to build trust and shape this new season together.



TUESDAY 17 Reeta is Development Director, a key role as BMS' partner reaches communities with health, development and mental wellbeing projects. Pray she would find ways to deliver projects in a challenging context.



WEDNESDAY 18 Arthur is helping BMS' partner to finalise their 2025 Annual Report. Pray for clarity and discernment in what to say and how to say it well, and for the subsequent translation into the Dari and Pashto languages.



THURSDAY 19 A BMS relief project helped welcome Afghan refugees forced to return from Iran. Pray these returnees would settle well in a difficult context.



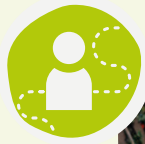
FRIDAY 20 Arthur and Reeta's families are spread across the globe (UK, Nepal and Canada). Pray for strong connections across the distance, and for peace and good health for each household.



SATURDAY 21 Whether writing songs, reports or strategies, pray that Arthur and Reeta would be sustained by grace, rest and a deep sense of calling in the work they do.

Help for the Journey

Your support provides help for the journey for those leaving home. Pray for leaders of our trusted partners who bring holistic support to refugees and forcibly displaced people, whether in transit or starting lives anew.



Three girls visit a BMS-supported refugee welcome centre in Cyprus.

- ☐ **SUNDAY 22** Rodrigo Assis da Silva leads BMS partner All4Aid, which offers practical support for refugees in transit on Lesbos and in Cyprus. Pray for new supporters to fund this work.

- ☐ **MONDAY 23** Pray for God's Spirit to influence governments around the world to show mercy and a compassionate welcome to asylum seekers and refugees. Pray for your local and national leaders.

- ☐ **TUESDAY 24** Peter Samir leads Quest Academy, which trains new believers from Muslim backgrounds to reach out to their communities and invite them to faith in Jesus. Pray for wisdom and focus as Quest is new and is rapidly growing.

- ☐ **WEDNESDAY 25** Wissam Nasrallah is the incoming President of the Arab Baptist Theological Seminary (ABTS) in Lebanon, which trains leaders to serve the Church in the Middle East and beyond. Pray for vision and resilience as ABTS works in a challenging region with a large refugee population.

- ☐ **THURSDAY 26** Thank God for Igor Bandura, Vice President of the Ukrainian Baptist Union, which represents 2,300 Baptist churches. May God give Igor strength and wisdom in the midst of war.

- ☐ **FRIDAY 27** Pray for Senior Pastor Yaroslav Nazarkeyuch of Central Lviv Baptist Church in Ukraine. This large and dynamic church has many outreach and compassion ministries for displaced communities.

- ☐ **SATURDAY 28** Pray for Pastors Scava and Dmytrio of Gostomel Church. Many displaced Ukrainians have come to faith through the church. Pray too for the wonderful after-school club supporting children displaced by the conflict.

Benon Kayanja

Uganda's historical conflicts deeply affected ordinary people, displacing families, destroying livelihoods and creating long-lasting wounds. BMS World Mission's partner Justice Livelihoods Health (JLH) is working in Gulu and Kasese to bring practical and spiritual help.



Benon, a BMS worker, is the Executive Director of JLH. He's served with BMS since 2013, thanks to your support.

- ☐ **SUNDAY 1** Last year on 30 July the JLH Board committed the next six months into the Lord's hands. Ask that the Board would be mindful of what the Lord has done in this time, and pray for godly wisdom and a united heart amongst its members.

- ☐ **MONDAY 2** In 2023, BMS supporters gave to *Days of Plenty*, supporting farmers in Uganda through JLH. Praise God that this work continues to thrive, with future plans involving the use of a grain mill to boost income for those most in need.

- ☐ **TUESDAY 3** Pray that the JLH initiatives equipping young girls with sanitary pads so they don't miss school will help women to pursue an education and create equal opportunities for students.

- ☐ **WEDNESDAY 4** Pray for the well-being of Benon's family (his wife Dorothy and sons Favour and Bright), for unity in the household and for good health. Dorothy and Benon began to host a twice-weekly house church in their home last year. Please pray for spiritual fruit amongst those who have attended.

- ☐ **THURSDAY 5** Pray for stronger strategic connections and relationships with like-minded individuals and organisations that will foster the growth of JLH's ministry and work initiatives.

- ☐ **FRIDAY 6** Pray for Uganda's political and economic stability, without which holistic ministry is difficult to achieve.

- ☐ **SATURDAY 7** Pray for safety and godly protection for Benon during travel and for God's grace and favour when challenges or obstacles appear on any journey.

Creation stewardship

BMS World Mission works in many communities around the world where the daily challenges to a flourishing life (such as hunger and sickness) and creation stewardship (such as sustainable farming and protecting water sources) are completely interwoven.



Solar panels and tree planting are two ways you're caring for creation through support of BMS.

- ☐ **SUNDAY 8** In Isaiah 32, the outpouring of God's Spirit on his people produces righteousness and the renewal of the desert and fields. Thank God for the gift of his life-giving Spirit at work today.

- ☐ **MONDAY 9** Pray that UK Baptists will engage even more with the biblical mandate to steward creation. At BMS, we're evaluating our carbon footprint, a measure of the organisation's environmental impact. What could you do?

- ☐ **TUESDAY 10** Give thanks for BMS' Eco Challenge Fund, which supports projects with clear human and environmental benefits in Chad, Uganda and Peru. Praise God for each solar panel, tree and eco-stove, and may they multiply!

- ☐ **WEDNESDAY 11** Pray for the local authorities in Ghana, where the African Oasis Hub is training national mission workers. Localised flooding caused by drains blocked with plastic rubbish often hampers their work. Pray for better waste management.

- ☐ **THURSDAY 12** Give thanks with the Christian College of Theology in Bangladesh for their new solar panel installation, supported by BMS to provide cleaner, more reliable energy for the college.

- ☐ **FRIDAY 13** BMS supports partners providing theological training, including practical creation stewardship, for believers in Lebanon, Bangladesh and the Netherlands. Pray that students would learn to use *all* they learn to share God's heart for creation.

- ☐ **SATURDAY 14** As the earth is the common home of everyone we care for, let's pray for the conviction to love another through good stewardship.

Louise and Peter Lynch

Louise and Peter Lynch serve in Bangladesh, working alongside BMS World Mission partners the Bangladesh Baptist Church Sangha and the Christian College of Theology. They also have wider responsibilities in Thailand and in the area of safeguarding.



Your support of Louise and Peter helps churches to flourish and sees people come to know Jesus!

- ☐ **SUNDAY 15** Ask for God's hand of peace to be on Bangladesh's national elections and their outcome. Pray that a stable, just and free future for the good of all people will be established.

- ☐ **MONDAY 16** More than 200 churches in Bangladesh are taking part in church and community transformation (CCT) training. Pray that Spirit-filled churches will change their communities in every place where this is happening.

- ☐ **TUESDAY 17** Lift up Peter's relationships with partner colleagues Pastor Miang, Pastor Joayela and Pastor Sawaeng in Thailand. Pray that these BMS partnerships will inspire the ongoing work of church planting in rural Thailand.

- ☐ **WEDNESDAY 18** Pray for at least five new churches to be planted and a multiplication of baptisms in the new outreach areas in Tangail, Joypurhat, Bagherat and Sylhet, where trainees are serving.

- ☐ **THURSDAY 19** Pray for Louise and her colleagues Joy and Shilpi as they develop programmes to help children and young people's spiritual lives deepen and grow.

- ☐ **FRIDAY 20** Pray for Louise and Peter's personal resilience and good health so they can function well in a busy and demanding context.

- ☐ **SATURDAY 21** Bangladesh has been experiencing significant political and economic uncertainty. Please pray for an outpouring of God's blessing on the work of the Church among poor and marginalised people.

Judy Cook

In Thailand, BMS World Mission supports the ministry of the Church of Christ in Thailand through its social development programme; Social Development Services Unit (SDSU), promoting improved quality of life for vulnerable communities. BMS also supports Hope Home, which works with young people with special needs.



Hope Home, where BMS worker Judy Cook serves, help children with disabilities to thrive.

- ☐ **SUNDAY 22** Pray for energy and safety for the staff of SDSU as they travel across northern Thailand offering support and training in agriculture, health and income generation.

- ☐ **MONDAY 23** Pray for a smooth transition to new leadership when SDSU's current Director, Rev Tewin Somchit, retires in April.

- ☐ **TUESDAY 24** Pray for stamina for Judy Cook and her colleagues as they provide administrative support to SDSU, which is in the middle of a three-year project to support a community who face severe flooding.

- ☐ **WEDNESDAY 25** Thank God for his protection over the health and wellbeing of each child and young person in Hope Home, and praise him for opportunities to help them grow and develop well.

- ☐ **THURSDAY 26** Praise God that last year, a team of professors and students in physical therapy visited Hope Home and provided the team with a specialised consultation for each child. Pray the new exercises they suggested would be seeing positive results.

- ☐ **FRIDAY 27** Those taking on mothering roles for children who are not their own are honoured each year at Hope Home. Pray that these women would feel valued, but above all, that they would know of a God who loves and values them.

- ☐ **SATURDAY 28** The whole family of Hope Home attends services at Santisuk Church in Saraphi each month. Praise God for the acceptance and welcome that the church, led by Rev Jaruwan Wutti, offers to each individual.

Ben Francis

BMS World Mission's Heart for the Gospel work takes place in countries with a less than five per cent Christian population. Disciple-making movements encourage people not to stay in static groups, but to share the gospel with those around them in a spirit of constant growth.



Ben Francis and his disciple-making team work faithfully to make Christ known.

- ☐ **SUNDAY 29** Pray for protection and courage for believers facing persecution, harassment, or violence in South Asia. Pray that the Lord will strengthen them.

- ☐ **MONDAY 30** Pray that the disciple-makers would be filled with the power of the Holy Spirit, and their lives be marked by love, joy, peace, and boldness as they share the good news.

- ☐ **TUESDAY 31** Many of the communities where BMS makes disciples and plants churches face many hardships. Pray for God's provision and care for those who have lost loved ones, homes, or livelihoods due to persecution.

- ☐ **WEDNESDAY 1** Praise God that the Church in South Asia is growing and that people are being baptised. Pray that the Church would be creative and bold in sharing the gospel, and that many would come to know Christ as their Lord and Savior.

- ☐ **THURSDAY 2** Pray that God would give evangelists wisdom and effective strategies to share the good news in diverse cultures. Please pray too for unity among church leaders in different denominations.

- ☐ **FRIDAY 3** Praise God for open doors for the gospel. Pray for more opportunities for evangelism and discipleship, especially among unreached people groups. Pray for effective discipleship and mentoring relationships that help believers grow in their faith.

- ☐ **SATURDAY 4** Thank God for the leadership of BMS mission worker Ben Francis and other faithful church leaders. Pray that they would continue to lead with humility, integrity and compassion, and be equipped to navigate complex cultural and societal challenges.

Philip and Rosemary Halliday

This week centres on BMS mission workers Philip and Rosemary Halliday, who serve their community and help shape the future of the Baptist movement in France.



The Church in France is uniquely placed to serve people coming from around the world to begin lives in Europe.

- ☐ **SUNDAY 5** The church plant at Gif-sur-Yvette, of which Philip and Rosemary are leaders, will be retelling the Easter story this morning. Pray that the message would capture all hearts in a fresh way.

- ☐ **MONDAY 6** Pray for Lula Derœux, Philip's co-pastor, as she adjusts to a new rhythm of life and ministry after her first maternity leave.

- ☐ **TUESDAY 7** Remember Rosemary in her work as Chaplain at Les Cèdres French language school. Give thanks for her gifts of discernment, hospitality and wisdom as she supports both students preparing for overseas service and administrative and teaching staff.

- ☐ **WEDNESDAY 8** Philip is Vice President of the French Baptist Federation. Pray for grace and wisdom for Philip and the leadership team as they handle a wide variety of challenges and guide the Federation in its future strategy.

- ☐ **THURSDAY 9** Pray for the growing network of church plants in France led by Ukrainian Baptist pastors and elders. Pray for inspiration as they reach out to unchurched Ukrainian migrant communities.

- ☐ **FRIDAY 10** Give thanks that Philip and Rosemary are able to mentor French Baptist ministerial students and newly accredited pastors in order to give these people a great start to their pastoral positions.

- ☐ **SATURDAY 11** Pray for preparations for the annual French Baptist Congress next month (14-16 May). Pray that God would clearly speak to all who gather and lead the Federation over the next year.

Helen and Wit Boondeekhun

Helen and Wit are working as church planters in rural northern Thailand. They depend on the support and prayers of BMS supporters to continue this work in one of the least evangelised parts of the world.



In Wang Daeng, the church went from no believers to a vibrant congregation!

☐ **SUNDAY 12** Pray for Thailand: for God to move by his Spirit to bring many people to faith in Jesus. Pray especially for the Thai indigenous Buddhists and for the many unreached rural villages.

☐ **MONDAY 13** Pray for Sacred Light Church, BMS' local partner, especially in their support of church planting work. Pray for a continued strong partnership with BMS and that the members would have a heart for mission.

☐ **TUESDAY 14** Pray for Uttaradit province: for unity, co-operation and common vision among the Protestant churches. Pray for all the evangelism, discipleship and church-planting projects taking place.

☐ **WEDNESDAY 15** Pray that the believers of Wang Daeng Church will be built up in their faith. Ask God to empower them to serve their community and share their faith boldly, and pray that the church will grow and multiply.

☐ **THURSDAY 16** Ban Dara Church is in the midst of a building project. Pray for the safety and good workmanship of the builders, for good relationships with the neighbours, and for the remaining finances to come in.

☐ **FRIDAY 17** Pray for Pastor Newton as he seeks to disciple the believers at Maesan Church. Pray that the congregation would have a heart to see their families and neighbours won to Christ.

☐ **SATURDAY 18** Pray that businesses set up to help church members would flourish, producing income both to support their families and to be used in church ministry.

BMS World Mission family

Funding our work wouldn't be possible without each member of our BMS family generously playing their part, whether through speaking, giving, praying or taking on a challenge. Join us in praying as each generation steps up to contribute.



It's a joy to meet UK Baptists and BMS supporters each year at the Baptist Assembly.

- ☐ **SUNDAY 19** Thank you, Lord, for those who have recently left a gift or tribute in memory of someone special to them. Please comfort them in their grief and surround them with your love.

- ☐ **MONDAY 20** Praise God for committed churches who continue to encourage and support BMS mission workers and partners around the world.

- ☐ **TUESDAY 21** Please pray for Trustees of all the trusts to whom we apply for funding. Ask that they will see God's hand in our work and choose to support BMS with a grant.

- ☐ **WEDNESDAY 22** Thank God for our volunteer speakers, who generously give of their time to raise awareness and support for BMS.

- ☐ **THURSDAY 23** Please pray that the younger generation would become more aware of BMS and that they would become long-term, faithful supporters in the future.

- ☐ **FRIDAY 24** Thank you, Father, for our faithful regular givers, known as 24:7 Partners. We ask that they will feel connected to the work they make possible and know that their generous gifts and prayers are appreciated.

- ☐ **SATURDAY 25** Praise God for passionate and generous supporters who give sacrificially to enable the work of BMS to continue impacting lives around the world.

Andrea and Ian

BMS World Mission workers Andrea and Ian serve at a media centre broadcasting the gospel into North Africa. Despite increasing persecution, BMS continues to support workers who answer God's call to be witnesses in the hard places.



Luis, a videographer at the media centre, captures footage for an Easter broadcast.

- ☐ **SUNDAY 2** Praise God for Andrea and Ian's partnerships with groups reaching into regions where sharing your faith is dangerous. BMS' partner had their website taken down by hackers. Ask God to strengthen both them and their website security.
- ☐ **MONDAY 3** Persecution comes in many forms. Amine,* a faithful believer in North Africa, lost his job after becoming a Christian. Pray for those seeking to be faithful in a hostile environment.
- ☐ **TUESDAY 4** Fear and misunderstanding can stifle the growth of the Church in areas of persecution. Pray that God will foster partnership between churches as Andrea, Ian and their contacts seek to plant more churches.
- ☐ **WEDNESDAY 5** Pray for safety for those whose homes are used as churches in persecuted countries, and pray for all whose lives are under threat today for sharing the love of Christ.
- ☐ **THURSDAY 6** It's vital to develop new leaders from within these areas to disciple faithful followers of Christ. Pray for BMS partner workers like Zinah* and Joe* as they seek to identify and develop new leaders.
- ☐ **FRIDAY 7** Praise God that the persecuted Church is not giving up – rather, BMS is seeing new inroads being made. Pray that God will use these inroads to create major highways for the gospel.
- ☐ **SATURDAY 8** Online persecution is increasing. BMS-supported worker Habib* is attacked daily for sharing the love of Christ online. Pray for wisdom and protection for disciple-makers like him.

*Name changed for security reasons.



**"This is the confidence we have
in approaching God: that if we
ask anything according to his
will, he hears us."**

1 John 5: 14

Pray for people in mission

Did you know? You're standing with more than 700 people in mission across the Global Church through your faithful support of BMS World Mission. You've read and prayed for some of them over the last few months, but we want you to know that your prayers and gifts go beyond just the pages of the *BMS Prayer Guide*!

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- Vincent Atwijukire – Uganda
- Benon Kyanja – Uganda
- Valerie Kisaber – Uganda
- Jimmy Okello – Uganda
- Arthur and Reeta – Afghanistan
- Oksana – Afghanistan
- Ruby – Afghanistan
- Louise and Peter Lynch – Bangladesh
- Barnabas Hembron – Bangladesh
- Pastor J Lalduhawma – Cambodia
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- Ardi Wiradinata – Indonesia
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- Dil Karki – Nepal
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- Paul and Sarah Brown – Thailand
- Judy Cook – Thailand
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- Andrea and Ian – Spain
- Sophie – Tunisia
- Wissam Nasrallah – Lebanon

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

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A close-up, profile shot of a man with a dark beard and short dark hair, looking upwards and to the left with a slight smile. He is wearing a dark jacket. The background is softly blurred, showing a warm, yellowish light source.

**"The eyes of the Lord are
toward the righteous and his
ears toward their cry."**

Psalm 34: 15