## PRAYER POINTS Afghanistan

The de facto government of Afghanistan has introduced new laws that ban women from leaving the house without a veil and from speaking in public. Women across the country are frightened by how these new laws might be enforced and about what it means for their rights. Please pray for restrictions on women's freedom in Afghanistan to be lifted, and pray that God's peace and justice will be known across the country.



- Ask God to change the attitudes that the de facto leaders of Afghanistan have towards women in the country. Pray for the harsh new laws to be repealed and for the rights of women to be valued and respected.
- 2. Pray for the BMS mission workers in Afghanistan: Arthur, Grace, Oksana, Reeta, Ruby and Tim.\* Ask that God will help them discern how best to continue working with women in the country, including the Afghan women they employ.
- 3. Pray that the new laws will not be enforced harshly and for God to protect women from violence.
- 4. Pray that women across Afghanistan will believe in their God-given worth and in the contribution they can make to society.
- 5. Pray that BMS will be able to continue to serve vulnerable women, especially widows, who often have little choice but to live off charitable giving.

\*All names changed for security reasons.



The Baptist Missionary Society: registered in England and Wales as a charity (number 1174364) and a company limited by guarantee (number 10849689)