




Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 Pray for Steve and Laura Campbell, serving in Podgorica, Montenegro, as they visit with mission co-workers in Albania today and tomorrow. May it be a blessed time of encouragement and fellowship.	2 This month, the Horst family will be on home assignment from Thailand. Pray that God will use this time to build prayer support and recruit new workers to share the gospel with the Isaan people.	3 As Seth Crissman celebrates his birthday today in Harrisonburg, Va., lift up his ministry along with his wife Theresa as they create resources for households to become strengthened through scripture and music.	4 Lift up college students in prayer as they finish up classes, projects, and presentations this week. May they find peace and community during this time of final exams. Pray for the four tranSend interns working with students at local colleges.	5 Join Ken Wettig, director of SLAQ (Servant Leader Quest) in Harrisonburg, Va., in praying for the development of new ministry partnerships with churches and individuals as this adventure and discipleship program reaches youth.	6 Join Hannah Shultz in praying that new attendees in Hispanic churches whom she relates with in the Shenandoah Valley will be open to God's transformative and restorative power in their lives.	7 As Steve Campbell celebrates his birthday today in Montenegro, lift up his family's transition and efforts to finish their assignment well as they finish ten years of service next month.
8 Ask the Lord to strengthen workers around the world to remain steadfast and committed to God's will and word, remaining faithful in spite of opposition.	9 Ask God to help members of Guri i Themelit Church (GIT) in Lezhë, Albania, to be good disciples with grace to disciple others. Pray also for celebrations planned next month for GIT's 30th anniversary and Lezha Academic Center's (LAC) 10th anniversary.	10 Pray for VM Missions workers and partners who are working to assist refugees from Ukraine and other locations. Ask for wisdom on how to best to serve and partner in this ministry of care and hospitality.	11 Pray that the Lord will guide Yosiah and Anita* and their team in Southeast Asia in implementing some of what Yosiah learned at a recent retreat. Pray for boldness and open doors. (*pseudonyms)	12 Jay and Em*, serving in Central Asia, are working with new teammates, Paulo and Ana Silva*. Lift up this new team formation in prayer and ask God to bless these relationships. (*pseudonyms)	13 Klementina Shahini and LAC staff/faculty are organizing TeachBeyond Albania 2022, a national Christian teacher conference in Durres, with 210 teachers registered to attend. Pray that God's presence in the conference will be strong.	14 Ask the Lord to guide each worker with the right words and actions to model the love of Jesus and invite others to faith in Jesus, and to teach and guide them in the way of Christ.
15 Lift up the ministry of church plant Iglesia Cristiana Shalom in Waynesboro, Va, where church planters Armando and Veronica Sanchez have connected with many members of the Latino community to share the gospel.	16 Lift up David and Rebekka Stutzman as they serve in the post-Christian context of Mannheim, Germany. Pray for the Wayfarers E ³ Collective to Germany and France starting next week as participants see the church in this context.	17 Pray with Andressa Coutinho, serving in Shkodër, Albania, in asking that God will grant her the opportunity to share the gospel with her Albanian language teacher, and that the message will find good soil in her heart.	18 Lift up the evangelism and discipleship ministry of Diomedes Franco in La Vega, Dominican Republic, among vulnerable youth and others. Pray for God to help them not to return to addiction but to grow and bear fruit for God.	19 Pray for developing leaders in the church in Milot, Albania, and that the believers will grow deeper in their walk with the Lord. Pray that others will come to understand the deep love that Jesus has for them.	20 Lift up The Soil and The Seed Project that Seth and Theresa Crissman work with in the Shenandoah Valley. Praise God for the wonderful responses to their collections of music and resources so far.	21 Pray for the ministry role that business for transformation brings to largely unreached locations like Central Asia, North Africa, and the Middle East. May workers there be a light and represent God's love.
22 Pray for leadership discernment and development among those being disciplined and trained by workers around the world. Ask God to guide the right persons to leadership with humility, integrity, and Christ-centeredness.	23 As Peg Martin celebrates her birthday today, pray for endurance and good relationships to flourish through the busy spring and summer season with SWAP (Sharing With Appalachian People) in West Virginia.	24 Pray for the ministry of Garden City Church, planted by Tyler and Kendra Yoder in Richmond, Va., and pray for God's spirit to move in the community as neighbors receive and embrace the message of the Kingdom.	25 Pray for the growing community of believers among the Isaan, a major unreached people group in northeastern Thailand, where the Horst and Schoenhals families serve. May they grow in passion for Christ with clear, bold witness.	26 As church planter and pastor Alfonso Alvarado celebrates his birthday today, pray for the ministry of Iglesia Monte Moriah in Lacey Spring, Va., and their outreach to neighbors.	27 Lift up Rafael and Solange Tartari in prayer as they minister in Shkodër, Albania, bearing witness to Jesus and leading disciples into a daily life of prayer and knowledge of the word of God.	28 Pray for the networking and church planting efforts of John David Thacker in Charleston, W.Va., particularly the ways he is partnering with local congregations to reach neighbors in the city.
29 Lift up the ministry of tranSend intern DJ Mitchell as he works with those in recovery from addiction in Harrisonburg, Va. He leads a weekly Recovery Bible Study and is walking with a number of people seeking to change.	30 Shawn and Laura Green are travelling to the US from Italy for home assignment and will be fundraising for a new term. Pray for new partners interested in connecting with how God is working in Italy.	31 Pray for Mosaic of Grace church planters and co-pastors Mike and Risha Metzler, and for the church's outreach in the Harrisonburg, Va., neighborhood as people are drawn to Jesus because of their faithful witness.	<p>"If you declare with your mouth, "Jesus is Lord," and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved." Romans 10:9 (NIV)</p>			
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Call to Prayer

Reaching the entire earth is a theme throughout Scriptures, from God's promise to bless the whole earth through Abraham's descendants in Genesis 12, to Jesus' commission to his disciples to make disciples of all nations in Matthew 28, to John's vision of people from every nation and tribe standing before the throne of God in Revelation 7.

In Acts 1:8 Jesus promises his disciples, "You will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes on you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth." As followers of Jesus, we are part of the great promise that Jesus leaves with his disciples—with the power of the Holy Spirit we will be Christ's witnesses in our hometowns and to the ends of the earth.

But how exactly do you witness to the "ends of the earth," especially if you're not planning on packing up and moving across the ocean in the near future? Perhaps, one important way is through prayer.

A few years ago, I was introduced to The Joshua Project. The Joshua Project is an effort to compile data on people groups across the world for the purpose of pinpointing groups that are least reached by the gospel. On their website (joshuaproject.net), viewers can search through over 9,000 people groups, learning about their location, history, beliefs, and also their accessibility (through translated Scripture or other believers) to the gospel.

Some people groups are beginning to grow multiplying churches, others still have almost no Christians. For example, let's look at the Ansari people group, whose silk dyeing and weaving operation I visited during my semester abroad in India. Through the Joshua Project's website, I learned that the Ansaris are a Muslim people group of about 16 million found primarily in North and West India that have almost no followers of Jesus.

I'd like to offer an invitation and challenge to begin praying for a specific people group as a way of praying for God's blessing to reach the ends of the earth. As a family, a Sunday School class, or even as an entire congregation, choose a specific people group and commit to praying for the good news to spread throughout that group.

—SARAH SHOWALTER

Answers to Prayer

- The two current interns at House of Hope in Southeast Asia, where Yosiah and Anita Rahma* serve, have been there for four months now. "They are both doing great jobs—teaching at House of Hope, being involved with our team life, walking around the community visiting families, and even being brave enough to pray for people. Both of them hope to return here longterm after graduating in a year—join us in praying for their remaining three months here and for their futures," Anita wrote. This family is also very happy to receive news that one of their interns from last summer will return for a whole year internship. Pray for her as she finishes up two more months of Bible school and then joins them. (*pseudonyms)
- Praise God that Ruthy Hershey, who serves in Millersville, Pa., and 14-year-old daughter Lia had the opportunity to go to the Groundwork conference this year, which they have been part of since 2010. This is a prayer and worship gathering to intercede for and bless the Muslim communities of the world, and Ruthy was part of the worship team.
- Praise God that the online streaming services from the church where Shawn and Laura Green serve in Termoli, Italy, have connected with and nourished the faith of new people. Pray that God will continue to grow the seeds that are being planted through the web streaming. Also pray for the growth and expansion of their small group in Termoli and as Shawn and Laura are on home assignment this summer.

Ways to Pray

"Devote yourselves to prayer, keeping alert in it with thanksgiving. At the same time pray for us as well that God will open to us a door for the word..."

Colossians 4:2,3

PRAY FOR PEOPLE GROUPS

Look up a particular people group on the Joshua Project (joshuaproject.net) that God has placed on your heart. Pray for:

- **People to share the good news of Jesus with your people group.** For groups that are completely unreached, someone from outside their group will need to introduce them to the gospel. Pray that God would stir in people's hearts to share the gospel with your people group.
- **Leaders from within the people group** who will devote themselves to spreading the good news and growing multiplying churches. Pray that those who believe will find ways to share Jesus with their friends and families.
- **Dreams, signs, and wonders.** Ask God to pour out his Spirit on your people group giving them miraculous signs that point them to Christ.
- **Unique and genuine ways** for contextualizing the gospel within your people group's cultural context. Pray that your people group will find that God has not called them to give up all aspects of their culture, but that God meets them in and through their culture which is part of God's unique creation.
- **Strength in the face of persecution.** Many believers around the world face persecution for their faith in Christ. Pray that those who believe in your people group would have strength and faith to continue proclaiming God's goodness even when they are abused because of it.