

A young child is peering through a narrow vertical crack in a weathered wooden door. The door is made of dark, textured wood with visible grain and some metal hardware. The child's face is partially visible through the crack, looking towards the camera.

DAILY PRAYERS

EAST ASIAN PEOPLES

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Ephesians 6:18 (NASB) says, “With all prayer and petition pray at all times in the Spirit, and with this in view, be on the alert with all perseverance and petition for all the saints.” Four times “all” is referenced in this text. Prayer should permeate all that we are and everything that we do. When are we to pray? At all times. What types of prayers? All prayers and petitions. In what way? With alertness and perseverance in the task. For whom? All the saints. How? Publicly or privately, silently or in desperation, deliberately or spontaneously; kneeling, standing, or lying prostrate. Prayer has the power to demolish strongholds: to open people’s hearts, open doors, and open the mouths of messengers bringing the good news. Prayer will launch a movement of praying, giving, going, and sending. Join with us in powerful, prevailing prayer lifting up East Asian peoples.

Advancing the vision,

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DIRECTIONS

Thank you for joining us in prayer for East Asian peoples. We pray this calendar will bless you and will bring about a great outpouring of God's Spirit on these precious people. Our desire is that you will use this perpetual calendar year after year, continuing to fervently pray for salvation to come to the 1.7 billion East Asian people. If you would like additional information about East Asian Peoples, or if you feel led to be involved beyond prayer, please write to us at **eastasiaprayer@pobox.com**

Every month we observe a day of prayer and fasting (DPF), falling sometime within the second week. Our first DPF is on January 12.

Though the countries mentioned correspond to those in the annual prayer guide of *Operation World*, our focus remains the salvation and kingdom work of the East Asians living or traveling there.

All Scripture references are taken from the Holman Christian Standard Bible, unless otherwise noted.



MAP OF EAST ASIA



Mongolia

China

North
Korea

South
Korea

Japan

Taiwan



January
1

EAST ASIAN PEOPLES

Creator God, we stand before You on behalf of the 1.7 billion East Asian people. You created them to worship, and they do. They worship a variety of gods, people, things. They search for peace, but it eludes them. They need You, Lord, but so many haven't realized their need. They think they can do it all themselves. Awaken their hearts' desire to know You, that they may begin to worship You alone and not the things of the world.

They exchanged the truth of God for a lie, and worshiped and served something created instead of the Creator, who is praised forever.

Romans 1:25



January
2

TAIPEI, TAIWAN

Father, thank You for the marvelous work You have done among Taiwanese believers in Taipei and northern Taiwan. We ask You now to raise up a new generation of pastors, leaders, and missionaries to take the gospel to the unreached peoples of the world. Replace a spirit of fear with a spirit of courage. Call out faithful brothers and sisters to name Christ where He is not named and to build Your church so that all may know and follow Christ.

As it is written: Those who were not told about Him will see, and those who have not heard will understand. Romans 15:21



January
3

TOKYO, JAPAN

Father, the Tokyo Metropolis wields diverse power and influence. From the home of the Emperor to the national government, financial centers, and media, Tokyo is vibrant and unique. Though its population is divided into wards, cities, and small towns, not one person is lost to You. Bring the millions living there to know You as their true Lord and King. Show them Your love, faithfulness, and power. May Your followers stay true to You with boldness and humility.

Ask of Me, and I will make the nations Your inheritance and the ends of the earth Your possession. Psalm 2:8



January
4

SEOUL, SOUTH KOREA

God, thank You for blessing Seoul to become one of Asia's most livable cities. Thank You for giving people in Seoul religious freedom and a Christian presence. Lord, we pray against the growing influence of cults and the spirit of materialism. We ask that You revitalize Korean churches and bring forth a gospel movement among college students, professionals, and young adults. Raise a mighty force to plant urban churches among them.

Unless the LORD builds a house, its builders labor over it in vain;
unless the LORD watches over a city, the watchman stays alert in vain.

Psalms 127:1



January
5

BEIJING, CHINA

Lord, may Your name be proclaimed in the city of Beijing. May leaders of integrity stand firmly in the confidence of who You are and lead their congregations to deepen their faith. We long to see Your people joyously reaching out to share Your love with renewed excitement and passion. Grow Your church, Lord, and extend its reach into every corner of the city, illuminating it and influencing every level of society.

So the churches were strengthened in the faith and increased in number daily. Acts 16:5



January
6

CHINESE DIASPORA IN VIETNAM

Father, we thank You that the Chinese in Vietnam have churches and many people who love You worshipping in those churches. We pray for the nearly half a million Cantonese-speaking Chinese who live in Ho Chi Minh City. Call out the next generation of leaders who will continue to serve You faithfully and take Your joyous gospel to those who have yet to hear. May Your call fall on listening ears.

Then I heard the voice of the Lord saying: Who should I send? Who will go for Us? I said: Here I am. Send me. Isaiah 6:8



January
7

SHENGZHA NOSU OF CHINA

Heavenly Father, many Shengzha Nosu believe in a supreme creator spirit, Mo'm Apu, who controls the universe, but they don't know You personally. Open their hearts, prepare their minds to receive the gospel, and draw them to You. Give them opportunities to hear Your plan of redemption through Your Son Jesus. May Your kingdom expand among the Shengzha Nosu.

All the nations You have made will come and bow down before You, Lord, and will honor Your name. Psalm 86:9



January
8

GUANGZHOU, CHINA

Father, as the sun rises in Guangzhou, a bustling megacity in China's Pearl River Delta, more than 15 million people begin another busy day. Gospel seeds were planted there long ago, and though dedicated believers can still be found, they face a spiritual battle to be faithful to You under increasing pressure from the government. Strengthen Your church, Lord, and make Your name known among millions who still need to hear.

Finally, be strengthened by the Lord and by His vast strength.
Ephesians 6:10



January
9

WESTERN YONGBEI ZHUANG OF CHINA

Creator God, the Western Yongbei Zhuang live in picturesque areas surrounded by beautiful rivers, lakes, and mountains. Terraced rice fields add to the loveliness and tranquility. Yet all is not peaceful. They believe evil spirits surround them and will cause harm if not honored by sacrifices. Free them from the fears that hold them captive! Open roads into their villages and inroads into their hearts.

The depths of the earth are in His hand, and the mountain peaks are His. The sea is His; He made it. His hands formed the dry land. Psalm 95:4-5



January
10

AMDO TIBETANS OF CHINA

Father God, the Amdo Tibetans have a difficult history filled with uprisings and oppression. Very few of them know You. We pray You will speak to their hearts and will reveal to the Amdo the truth and hope found only in Jesus Christ. Burden believers to go to them and clearly proclaim the good news of Your love for them, resulting in many Amdo Tibetans knowing You and praising Your name.

I will thank Yahweh with all my heart; I will declare all Your wonderful works. I will rejoice and boast about You; I will sing about Your name, Most High. Psalm 9:1-2



January
11

KAGOSHIMA, JAPAN

Name above All Names, You know that Kagoshima enjoys a beautiful bay location, a hot climate, and is the home of an active volcano. It is the city the first Christians arriving in Japan called home. Jesus, we pray that those who reside there will quickly come to find their true home in Christ. May they know the name of the Living God in a nation where still less than 1 percent of the people call Jesus Lord.

Seek the LORD while He may be found; call to Him while He is near.
Isaiah 55:6



January
12

DPF: EAST ASIANS AROUND THE WORLD

Christianity, the world's largest religion, accounts for less than 30 percent of the world's population. East Asians represent 22 percent of the world's population, but less than 5 percent are Christians. God, we pray for many East Asians to put their faith in You! Open their eyes to see You, their hearts to receive You, and their hands to let go of worldly things and follow You. You know every East Asian by name and desire that none perish.

For God loved the world in this way: He gave His One and Only Son, so that everyone who believes in Him will not perish but have eternal life.

John 3:16



January
13

XINING, CHINA

Lord, our hearts break for the 99 percent of people in Xining who do not know You as Lord. Christians in this city are mainly from the Han people group. Make Yourself known to Chinese Muslim Hui, Tibetan, and the 30 other people groups there. God, may believers proclaim Your great name in ways other people groups can understand. May the gospel flow from this capital city to remote villages where many Tibetans and Muslims in the area live.

“I am the bread of life,” Jesus told them. “No one who comes to me will ever be hungry, and no one who believes in me will ever be thirsty again.” John 6:35



January
14

TAIWAN

Father, we praise You for what You have done in Taiwan over the past 70 years. You have brought hearts to You, established Your church, and shown Yourself faithful. We pray for continued gospel advances on this island and for You to call the church in Taiwan to take the good news to the nations. May Taiwan become a global center for cross-cultural missions and the local church become a blessing to the world for the glory of Your name.

Now to Him who is able to do above and beyond all that we ask or think...to Him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus to all generations. Ephesians 3:20-21



January
15

SAPPORO, JAPAN

Sapporo, located in mountainous northern Japan, is one of the snowiest metropolises in the world. Each February draws more than 2 million tourists to the world-renowned Sapporo Snow Festival with its beautifully carved snow and ice sculptures. Lord, melt the resistance to the gospel in people's hearts in Sapporo. Bring this city home to the warmth of Your love and call many of its citizens to follow You.

“Come, let us discuss this,” says the LORD. “Though your sins are like scarlet, they will be as white as snow; though they are as red as crimson, they will be like wool.” Isaiah 1:18



January
16

SALAR OF CHINA

Heavenly Father, be merciful to the Salar people and open their hearts to receive salvation through Your Son Jesus Christ. You know their daily struggles and spiritual obligations as Muslims. Lord, You hear their cries and see their desolate emptiness while they are seeking Allah. We pray for spiritual breakthroughs for Salar Christians and ask You to fill them with courage as Your faithful witnesses.

God has resurrected this Jesus. We are all witnesses of this. Acts 2:32



January
17

BURIAT OF CHINA

Almighty God, how tragic that among the Buriat people there is not a single known church and only a handful of believers. Yet, how can they believe if they have not yet heard? With no gospel materials in their heart language, bringing the Buriat to Christ will require people to invest their lives among them, learn the language, and complete a Bible translation. Lord, call workers to share the good news with the Buriat.

As You sent Me into the world, I also have sent them into the world.
John 17:18



January
18

SHUITIAN LOPI OF CHINA

Spirit of God, please open the hearts of the Shuitian Lopi and allow many to hear of Christ's love for them. This small people group, nestled in the Himalayan foothills, is simple, poor, and isolated from much of the developed world. The Shuituan Lopi people are essentially non-religious, but progress has been made in engaging them with the gospel over the last few years. Bring many of them to You, Father.

God, be exalted above the heavens, and let Your glory be over the whole earth. Psalm 108:5

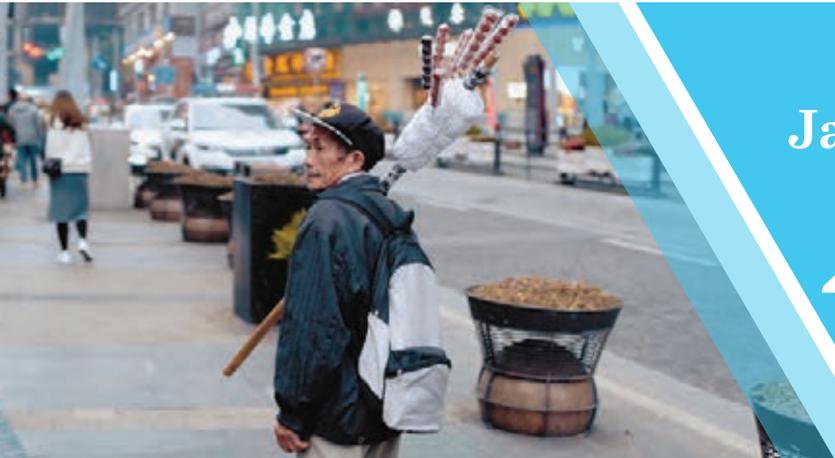
A photograph of several terracotta warrior figures from the Terracotta Army in Xi'an, China. The figures are arranged in rows, wearing detailed armor and helmets. The background is a light blue gradient with a white diagonal line.

January
19

XI'AN, CHINA

Almighty God, although Xi'an has a rich history and served as the capital of China for 1,200 years, the strength of this city is no match for You. We ask that You cause the people of Xi'an to cry out to You as the One who rules the universe with His righteous right hand. We pray strongholds will be broken down and that You will be praised as their true reigning King.

Sing a song of wisdom, for God is King of all the earth. God reigns over the nations; God is seated on His holy throne. Psalm 47:7-8

A street vendor in Chongqing, China, is seen from the side, walking on a city street. They are wearing a dark jacket and a cap, and carrying a large woven basket filled with food on their back. A wooden bowl sits on the ground in front of them. The background shows a busy urban street with cars and buildings.

January 20

CHONGQING, CHINA

Lord, only by the power of Your Word will life sweep across the twisted urban landscape of Chongqing. Rescue thousands of the 1 million university students, as well as population segments such as construction and factory workers. Instill a passionate vision in pastors to equip disciples to train healthy followers of Christ. Call Your people to take the gospel to smaller neighboring cities that still have no known church.

Declare His glory among the nations, His wonderful works among all peoples. Psalm 96:3



January
21

LUZHOU, CHINA

Lord, You invite the people of Luzhou to come and talk with You and to seek Your face. We pray they will respond by saying, “I’m coming.” Though people in this Sichuan city famous for food and liquor production are busy working, we pray they will take time to know You. As Christian tourists visit this city, may they come bearing more than cameras and money; may they be bearers of the good news, too.

My heart says this about You, “You are to seek My face.” LORD, I will seek Your face. Psalm 27:8



January
22

NORTHERN QIANDONG MIAO OF CHINA

God of heaven and earth, You know every one of the more than 2 million Northern Qiandong Miao, and You call them by name. Soften their hearts and give them a hunger to know You and love Your Word. May Your glory shine through the witness of the small number of believers among them, drawing more into the kingdom. As they grow in faith, send them to shine Your light on other people groups both near and far.

I will also make you a light for the nations, to be My salvation to the ends of the earth. Isaiah 49:6b



January
23

QIUBEI ZHUANG OF CHINA

God, look upon the Qiubei Zhuang and see their plight. The men work hard in the field during the day and at night drink with their friends. They are hospitable to outsiders but guarded with close relationships. They need to know believers who will tell them the good news. When they are weary and looking for renewal, open their eyes to see You as their refuge. When they fear the spirits around them, be their Protector.

I call to You...when my heart is without strength. You have been a refuge for me, a strong tower in the face of the enemy. Psalm 61:2-3



January
24

MISHABA LALUO OF CHINA

Exalted One, God Most High, You rule forever. You reign in the midst of the Mishaba Laluo, though they do not know You. There is no Bible in the heart language of the more than 200,000 active Mishaba Laluo speakers. Nothing is impossible for You, Lord, so we pray that Scripture translation efforts will be embraced by native speakers who will then joyfully carry Your Word to the villages scattered throughout the mountains.

God, be exalted above the heavens; let Your glory be over the whole earth. Psalm 57:5



January
25

URUMQI, CHINA

Living Water, deserts surround Urumqi, and the city holds the world record for being the most remote from any seas. Unique in culture, architecture, and food, Urumqi has long been an important stop on the Silk Road. But there is a deeper dryness, Lord, that only You can quench: only 0.5 percent of these people know You. We pray streams of living water will flow from believers there and provide refreshment to those who thirst.

The one who believes in Me, as the Scripture has said, will have streams of living water flow from deep within him. John 7:38

A photograph of several red Chinese knots (noodles) hanging on a light-colored brick wall. The knots are made of red cord and feature yellow Chinese characters. The most prominent knot in the foreground has the character '郭' (Guo) written on it. The background is a solid blue color with a white diagonal line separating it from the image.

January
26

CHANGDE, CHINA

Beautiful Savior, new high-rises, roads, schools, and parks have made life in Changde more convenient for its people. The Poetry Wall's long promenade adds beauty through engraved ancient poems and sketches and provides safety as a flood barrier. God, flood this area with Your Spirit. Move in people's hearts, causing them to search for beauty found only in You. Encourage and strengthen local believers as they spend time in Your Word.

How lovely is Your dwelling place, LORD of Hosts. Psalm 84:1



January
27

LESHAN, CHINA

More than 90 years were spent building the world's largest Buddha near Leshan, in hopes that the turbulent river waters would be calmed. Now a World Heritage site, millions of visitors visit the statue annually. God, we pray the people of Leshan will know that You are Lord and that You alone can calm the waters. Give Christians determination and clarity as they speak about You, the God who hears and answers when they call.

It is only a cast image, a teacher of lies. For the one who crafts its shape trusts in it and makes idols that cannot speak. Habakkuk 2:18b



January
28

YICHANG, CHINA

Ancient of Days, the city of Yichang dates back to 278 BC. You have seen the wars fought there and the trading posts established over the centuries. You watched over Christian work in the late 1800s and the enormous Three Gorges Dam being built in the late 1900s. How it must sadden Your heart that after all this time, less than 1 percent of Yichang's people know You as Lord. We pray they will turn and seek You with all their heart.

God looks down from heaven on the human race to see if there is one who is wise, one who seeks God. Psalm 53:2



January
29

NORTHERN KHAM TIBETANS OF CHINA

Father God, we pray You will be a refuge and a rock for the Northern Kham Tibetans. We pray they will hear Your gospel and believe in Jesus Christ as their Lord and Savior. We pray they will abandon Buddhism and everything else they look to for rescue. Bring salvation and reveal Yourself to the Kham Tibetan people.

LORD, I seek refuge in You; let me never be disgraced. Save me by Your righteousness. Listen closely to me; rescue me quickly. Be a rock of refuge for me, a mountain fortress to save me. For You are my rock and my fortress; You lead and guide me because of Your name. Psalm 31:1-2



January
30

KYOTO, JAPAN

Gracious God, Kyoto is both the ancient capital and “the soul of Japan” in terms of culture, tradition, and religion. Despite the many temples and shrines there, God, Your grace has birthed churches, Christian schools, and the Japan Baptist Hospital. However, Your children are still such a small minority. We pray that the souls of the people of Kyoto will turn to Jesus in faith.

The God who made the world and everything in it—He is Lord of heaven and earth and does not live in shrines made by hands. Acts 17:24



January
31

YIYANG, CHINA

God our protector, surround believers in Yiyang and protect them from worldly influences. Believers there are extremely kind and practical, not looking to make a name for themselves but to make Your name great. Grant them healthy churches, strong Biblical leadership, and strong partnerships with other Christians. Use these connections to encourage other churches in Hunan province to work together for the kingdom.

Jerusalem—the mountains surround her. And the LORD surrounds His people, both now and forever. Psalm 125:2



February
1

CHINESE DIASPORA IN THAILAND

Thailand has upwards of 10 million visitors from China every year. Jesus, we ask You to open the hearts of Chinese tourists and use the openness of Thailand, the newness of other cultures, and the beauty of creation to open their eyes to the glory of the one true God. We pray that You will call churches from around the globe to share with the Chinese coming to Thailand.

If I say, “I won’t mention Him or speak any longer in His name,” His message becomes a fire burning in my heart... Jeremiah 20:9



February
2

HAKKA OF CHINA

Father, centuries ago a group of people became known as Hakka, or “guest families,” due to the frequent need to flee from oppressors and settle in safer areas. The Hakka became resilient, holding on to their culture despite displacement. This determination often hinders their willingness to hear the good news. God, give Hakka believers a burden to use shared language and identity to reach their people, and help Hakka non-believers see their need for You.

I was hungry and you gave Me something to eat; I was thirsty and you gave Me something to drink; I was a stranger and you took Me in...
Matthew 25:35



February
3

UTSUNOMIYA, JAPAN

Utsunomiya is the gateway city to the Tohoku region that was so devastated in the 2011 earthquake, tsunami, and nuclear meltdown. It is famous for its pan-fried dumplings, called gyoza, and jazz music. Lord God, give the people of this city and surrounding regions a hunger for eternal things and a desire to shelter in the Almighty. May Your name become famous in this city.

Taste and see that the LORD is good. How happy is the man who takes refuge in Him! Psalm 34:8



February
4

LANZHOU, CHINA

Father, Lanzhou is known all over the world for its beef noodles, but we pray that You will transform this city so that its residents will be known as people of the Lord. There are countless Han, Muslim, and Tibetan peoples there who do not know what Jesus has done for them. We pray that You will use those in Lanzhou who know You to proclaim Your goodness and love to all they encounter.

But God, who is rich in mercy, because of His great love that He had for us, made us alive with the Messiah even though we were dead in trespasses. You are saved by grace! Ephesians 2:4-5



February
5

CHANGSHA, CHINA

Heavenly Father, there are faithful men and women in Changsha who selflessly serve local churches across the city, ministry which can take a heavy toll on them. Leaders and their households make many sacrifices for their church members, often putting their congregations' needs above their own. Lord, encourage local leaders by strengthening their families. Renew their strength; as they run toward You, may they not grow weary.

Those who trust in the Lord will renew their strength; they will soar on wings like eagles; they will run and not grow weary; they will walk and not faint. Isaiah 40:31



February
6

SPITI TIBETANS OF INDIA

High in the Tibetan plateau of northern India lies the Spiti Valley, a physical and spiritual desert with only a few known believers and no active church among the 10,000 people there. God, we pray for redemptive relationships to form between believers and the people of the Spiti Valley. Bring Tibetan Christians to their area to share Your truth, and provide safe passage as they travel the treacherous roads to reach the valley.

I pray not only for these, but also for those who believe in Me through their message. May they all be one, as You, Father, are in Me and I am in You. John 17:20-21



February
7

DONGXIANG OF CHINA

Father, we praise You for moving among the Dongxiang of northwest China. The number of believers is growing among this people group of over 500,000; we pray that all Dongxiang peoples, from rural sheep farmers to modern urbanites, will find You as they search for the hope and peace that their Islamic faith does not provide. May they believe in Jesus as the Son of God and Savior of the world and find courage to profess this truth to their neighbors.

All the ends of the earth will remember and turn to the LORD. All the families of the nations will bow down before You, for kingship belongs to the LORD; He rules over the nations. Psalm 22:27-28



February
8

DPF: EAST ASIANS IN THE PACIFIC

Lord, You sit enthroned on high. You see the 25,000 islands of the Pacific as well as the 1,300 different people groups there. You see the half-million East Asians there too, many of whom know You. We are thankful for their fervor in worship and pray You will use them to impact countries like Australia. Call them to share the gospel with the numerous immigrants of varying religions, God, and send them to those who have yet to hear about You.

Look, the nations are like a drop in a bucket; they are considered as a speck of dust in the scales; He lifts up the islands like fine dust.
Isaiah 40:15



February
9

SHENYANG, CHINA

God, as Shenyang rapidly changes, grant grace and favor to believers before local authorities. Help them to adjust and build Your church both openly and, when needed, creatively. Give them boldness and wisdom in effectively sharing the gospel. Lighten the financial pressures of some so they can more freely serve You. Protect them from the hazards of the big city so they can fulfill Your purpose for them and this city's people.

For the LORD God is a sun and shield. The LORD gives grace and glory;
He does not withhold the good from those who live with integrity.

Psalm 84:11



February
10

KUMAMOTO, JAPAN

Many who live in Kumamoto do not realize that the book *The Last Samurai* is based on a 19th-century battle fought in their city. The ancient castle of Kumamoto was once under siege; today, there is an unseen, ongoing battle for the 1 million souls living there. Lord, rescue the people of Kumamoto. Break down the walls of their hearts and make them mighty warriors for Your kingdom.

Be serious! Be alert! Your adversary the Devil is prowling around like a roaring lion, looking for anyone he can devour. 1 Peter 5:8



February
11

WENMA ZHUANG OF CHINA

The Wenma Zhuang are known as “people of the soil” because they primarily work in agriculture. Father God, You alone cause life to come from a seed by sending rain and sun in season. We pray the Wenma Zhuang will consider this mystery of life; when they do, we know You will answer them. Bless those who will translate Your Word and go to these people who currently have no gospel materials in their heart language.

The kingdom of God is like this...A man scatters seed on the ground; he sleeps and rises...the seed sprouts and grows—he doesn't know how.

Mark 4:26-27



February
12

KOK NUR OIRAT OF CHINA

You created the Kok Nur "Blue Lake" Mongols in Your image, Father. Tens of thousands of Kok Nur seek healing, protection, and truth through Tibetan Buddhism and shamanism. Use the bold testimonies of the few Kok Nur believers or neighboring Chinese believers to reveal Yourself as the one true God. Give them dreams, visions, and access to Your Word that they may know You. Establish Your church in these remote areas for Your glory.

And to shed light for all about the administration of the mystery hidden for ages in God who created all things. This is so God's multi-faceted wisdom may now be made known... Ephesians 3:9-10



February
13

YUEYANG, CHINA

God, our loving Father and protector, the few churches that exist in Yueyang are full of brothers and sisters who love You and desire to make Your name known broadly. However, persecution has been escalating, making it increasingly difficult to spread the gospel and to worship as part of a healthy church. Help believers in Yueyang stand firm. Let their faith in You not fail; may You be glorified as they worship You.

“Simon, Simon look out! Satan has asked to sift you like wheat. But I have prayed for you that your faith may not fail. And you, when you have turned back, strengthen your brothers.” Luke 22:31-32



February
14

XIANYANG, CHINA

Lord, as many of the 5 million residents of Xianyang, Shaanxi continue to walk in spiritual shadows, we pray You will give them the light of Your gospel. Call courageous messengers and send them to this needy city. We beseech You to reach into the darkness of Xianyang and grant people there the ability to see their sin and Your holiness. Give them faith to repent and believe with a passion for sharing Christ.

The people walking in darkness have seen a great light; a light has dawned on those living in the land of darkness. Isaiah 9:2



February
15

AOKA MIAO OF CHINA

Lord, on behalf of the Aoka Miao, we ask You to give grace and strength to the few believers among them. Help Aoka Christians to be devoted to Your Word and to telling their friends, families, and surrounding villages about the glorious good news of Christ. We ask You to convict believers in nearby cities as well. Give them Your heart for all people groups and compel them to take the gospel to Aoka Miao villages.

Let your heart be completely devoted to the LORD our God to walk in His statutes and to keep His commands, as it is today. 1 Kings 8:61



February
16

KITAKYUSHU, JAPAN

Loving Father, we praise You for open doors on Seinan Jo's campus, the school in Kitakyushu founded by Southern Baptist missionaries in 1922. The majority of students there cannot grasp the truth of a personal relationship with God. We pray students and staff will experience a fresh movement of the Holy Spirit. May their hearts come to know You: the one true God who loves them personally and sent His Son to die for them.

The man who trusts in the LORD...is blessed. He will be like a tree planted by water: ...it doesn't fear when heat comes...It will not worry in a year of drought or cease producing fruit. Jeremiah 17:7-8



February
17

KHAM TIBETANS OF CHINA

Father God, we pray You cause the Kham Tibetans to believe in You alone. Turn their hearts from trusting in money, government, Buddhism, or created things. Demonstrate Your power by bringing salvation to them and cause them to trust Jesus alone for their redemption. We pray You will send workers to proclaim Your greatness to the Kham Tibetans; may many thousands choose to follow You.

How happy is the man who has put his trust in the LORD and has not turned to the proud or to those who run after lies! Psalm 40:4



February
18

DIAOBINGSHAN, CHINA

Lord, You are a God who multiplies. Give Diaobingshan and the surrounding cities an impact greater than their size. Though small and insignificant in the eyes of the world, we pray new churches will form in this coal-producing region and expand to cities and rural areas all around. Use what little they may have to offer; bless and multiply it. Raise up mighty workers, protect them, and use them to fulfill Your purpose.

“But we only have five loaves and two fish here,” they said to Him. “Bring them here to Me,” He said. Matthew 14:17-18



February
19

NANCHANG, CHINA

Heavenly Father, we lift up to You Nanchang, a place known in China as the city of heroes because of its key involvement in an uprising on August 1, 1927. We pray many heroes of the faith will arise from Nanchang to reach their city of 5 million and their province of 45 million. Call them to the unreached and unengaged people within their own country, then to those around the world who don't yet know You.

But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come on you, and you will be My witnesses in Jerusalem, in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth. Acts 1:8

A young woman with long dark hair, wearing a black hoodie and glasses, is sitting on a grassy lawn. She is looking down at a laptop computer that is open on her lap. The background is slightly blurred, showing trees and a building. The image is part of a graphic design with a blue diagonal overlay on the right side.

February 20

UNIVERSITY STUDENTS IN CHINA

Students in China are indoctrinated in public schools to believe that “there is no god, there is only the chairman.” Father, when these students arrive at university, soften their hearts and broaden their minds. When the gospel is shared with them for the first time, may many hear and respond in faith. Send laborers to share the good news of Jesus with the hundreds of thousands of university students in the city of Hangzhou alone.

These words that I am giving you today are to be in your heart. Repeat them to your children. Talk about them when you sit in your house and when you walk along the road, when you lie down and when you get up.
Deuteronomy 6:6-7



February
21

MIN ZHUANG OF CHINA

God, we thank You for the burden You have given the Min Zhuang believers to engage unreached rural villages with the gospel. We know they are often hindered by financial constraints and in gaining access to these villages, but we pray believers will be able to set up healthy, productive poultry farms there. In these villages with no gospel witness, grant them access through sustainable means that also benefit the villagers.

But how can they call on Him they have not believed in? And how can they believe without hearing about Him? And how can they hear without a preacher? Romans 10:14



February
22

YINCHUAN, CHINA

Father we ask You to transform Yinchuan into a city where existing churches boldly proclaim the gospel. We pray for the Hui Muslims there, a third of the 2 million people of the city, to hear the good news of Jesus, turn from the religion of Islam, and accept Him as their Savior. We pray for bridges between these two cultures and that every tribe, people, and language in Yinchuan will worship the one true God.

May God be gracious to us and bless us; look on us with favor so that Your way may be known on earth, Your salvation among all nations.

Psalms 67:1-2



February
23

FULING, CHINA

Once a sleepy little town of 200,000 at the junction of two rivers, Fuling has rapidly changed into a modern city of 1.5 million people. But residents are not necessarily happier, more peaceful, or content. Prince of Peace, we pray Your presence will reign there, bringing lasting peace to those who have accomplished so much but remain empty inside. The Three Gorges project brought economic change; only You can bring eternal change.

For a child will be born for us...He will be named Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Eternal Father, Prince of Peace. Isaiah 9:6

A young girl with dark hair, wearing a yellow long-sleeved shirt, is sitting at a dark round table outdoors. She is looking directly at the camera with a neutral expression. The background is slightly blurred, showing green foliage and a wooden railing. The image is partially overlaid by a blue geometric shape on the right side.

February
24

MAOMING, CHINA

Author of Salvation, help believers in Maoming to clearly proclaim the truth of who You are to those around them. Reveal to those who are confused about Jesus's identity who He really is so they too can believe and receive eternal life. Several minority groups live there, adding diversity to the city; release them from the hold of false beliefs. Others are busy with factory work and hold no beliefs; fill their empty hearts with You.

There is salvation in no one else, for there is no other name under heaven given to people, and we must be saved by it. Acts 4:12



February
25

HOKKIEN DIASPORA

Lord, we bring before You the Hokkien people. Their ancestral homes were in southern Fujian in China, but for centuries Hokkien people have been scattered to many other countries. We pray You will strengthen ministry teams such as Hokkien Harvest, comprised of indigenous Hokkien in Malaysia and Singapore, as they work to make Your name known. We long to see the continuing Hokkien diaspora witness a growing number of disciples.

So those who were scattered went on their way preaching the message of good news. Acts 8:4



February
26

SHAOXING, CHINA

God, grant the church in Shaoxing the vision and passion to see Your name praised in this city of 5 million people. With the increasing persecution of Your church, especially in Zhejiang province, please give Your sons and daughters perseverance to share the hope that is in them. Give the Shaoxing church favor as they connect with believers around China; equip them to reach those who have never heard.

You reveal the path of life to me; in Your presence is abundant joy; in Your right hand are eternal pleasures. Psalm 16:11



February
27

CHINESE DIASPORA IN SPAIN

Father in heaven, may Chinese in Spain be moved to share Jesus with determination. May they make disciples starting from there, their “Jerusalem,” and going to the ends of the earth. They have already come this far from home; now burden them for the lost of every tribe, tongue, and nation in the world, so that they, like Paul, will say, “...woe is unto me, if I preach not the gospel!” (1 Cor. 9:16b KJV).

For if I preach the gospel, I have no reason to boast, because an obligation is placed on me. And woe to me if I do not preach the gospel!
1 Corinthians 9:16



February
28

LIAOYANG, CHINA

Father God, in Liaoyang, a city with centuries of Chinese history and hundreds of Buddhist temples that tourists and worshippers visit, turn the people's eyes to You. In place of the churches that have closed due to burdens caused by government constraints, plant many more to take their place. Encourage Christians who are weary of the constant pressure and give them fresh hope and a desire to live for You alone.

Listen, Israel: The Lord our God, the Lord is One. Love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, and with all your strength.
Deuteronomy 6:4-5



March
1

SHIN-URAYASU CITY, JAPAN

Shin-Urayasu is one of the most sought-after areas outside of Tokyo for young couples to raise their children. Gracious Father, these families are the building blocks of Japan's future. There are no ancient temples or shrines in Shin-Urayasu because the city is founded on new, reclaimed land. Jesus, help these strategic families to build their lives on You, the only solid foundation.

Therefore, everyone who hears these words of Mine and acts on them will be like a sensible man who built his house on the rock. Matthew 7:24



March
2

SUODI NOSU OF CHINA

Lord, the Suodi Nosu believe in a spiritual world, but don't know You as Most High God. They seek guidance in oddly shaped rocks, trees, mountains, and rivers. Please remove the obstacles that prevent this people group from seeing and understanding who You are. Give them opportunities to hear and respond to the gospel. May it multiply until every Suodi Nosu has heard of Your love and plan of redemption through Jesus Christ.

He makes a god or his idol with the rest of it. He bows down to it and worships; He prays to it, "Save me, for you are my god." Isaiah 44:17



March
3

HUI OF GANSU, CHINA

Father, open the hearts of the Hui people of Gansu. Give them a restlessness about the rituals of Islam that they have been taught will give them favor with You. Give them dreams and visions of who You truly are and the salvation You have provided. Bring believers to speak Your Word and demonstrate Your love to the Hui. We ask for whole clans to understand and choose to follow Christ.

My word that comes from My mouth will not return to Me empty, but it will accomplish what I please and will prosper in what I send it to do.
Isaiah 55.11

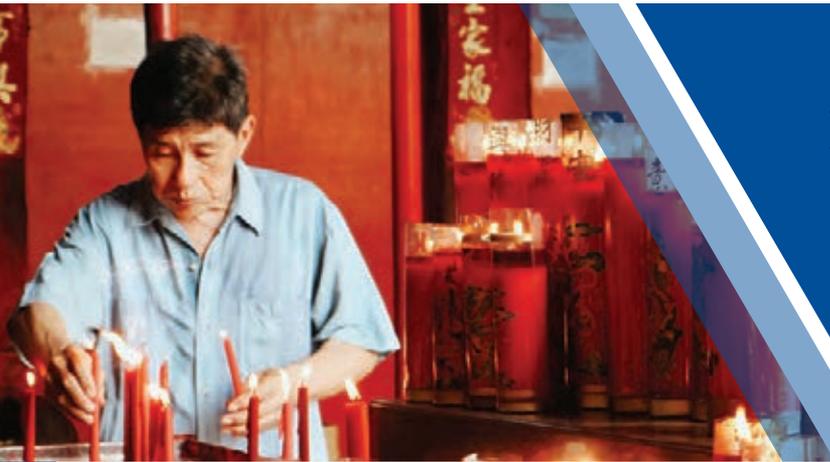


March
4

WESTERN XIANGXI MIAO OF CHINA

Gracious Father, the Western Xiangxi Miao are in desperate need of gospel witnesses among them. Every day, people among them die without ever having heard the name of Jesus. We beg You to send ambassadors for Christ from the neighboring cities of Jishou and Zhangjiajie to take the gospel to the Western Xiangxi Miao. May the newly developed Jesus film be widely shared and easily accessible to them.

The Spirit of the LORD spoke through me, His word was on my tongue.
2 Samuel 23:2



March
5

CHINESE DIASPORA IN INDONESIA

For over 800 years Chinese people have been migrating to Indonesia. They endured much suffering at the hands of the Dutch colonists and others. God of the nations, we thank You for the approximately 5 million Chinese in Indonesia today and for their ability to endure. We ask for the Holy Spirit to convict people of sin while also equipping Chinese Christians to serve their communities with skillful hands and upright hearts.

He shepherded them with a pure heart and guided them with his skillful hands. Psalm 78:72

A photograph of a young woman with dark hair, smiling broadly. She is wearing a bright yellow hooded jacket over a red and white checkered shirt. The background is a blurred night scene with warm, colorful lights, possibly from a festival or market.

March
6

NANCHONG, CHINA

God, we pray that believers in Nanchong will hold tightly to the hope they have in You. We know You are trustworthy; as Christians face opposition from family or friends, may they remember this truth. Nanchong is a silk production center, and we pray that silk factories and weaving plants there will be places where gospel truth is heard and fellowship among believers is admired. Be glorified in Nanchong, Lord.

Let us hold on to the confession of our hope without wavering, for He who promised is faithful. Hebrews 10:23



March
7

YOUJIANG ZHUANG OF CHINA

Father, we pray that Youjiang Zhuang believers will have time and resources to minister to children whose parents must live and work many miles away from home. Comfort the left-behind sons and daughters and reassure them of Your love for them. We praise You for the children who have come to faith. Lord, may these young Christians be discipled and grow in their faith so that they can be witnesses to their parents.

Jesus, however, invited them: “Let the little children come to Me, and don’t stop them, because the kingdom of God belongs to such as these.”

Luke 18:16



March
8

DPF: EAST ASIANS IN BELIZE AND BERMUDA

Belize and Bermuda are home to numerous ethnicities, as well as a large number of Christians. God, we pray believers there will pursue You with all their hearts. Open their mouths to constantly share their faith with the Chinese among them and convict them of the need to disciple others. Strengthen pastors as they establish Chinese churches that will reach both locals and new immigrants and then send them out to the nations.

Nevertheless, when the Son of Man comes, will He find that faith on earth? Luke 18:8b



March 9

ICHIKAWA, JAPAN

Ichikawa was famous in ancient Japan for salt production to the degree that the government extended its administration to this area. Today, the city is known for its broad transportation networks. Lord, help Your churches in Ichikawa to be salt and light in society. Extend their influence and bless them with the ability to connect strongly with people throughout their community and beyond.

You are the salt of the earth. But if the salt should lose its taste, how can it be made salty? Matthew 5:13



March
10

DOLPA TIBETANS OF NEPAL

Though the Dolpo region of western Nepal is extremely remote, significant breakthroughs have been made among the people there. God, You have not removed the mountains, but You have brought the people of this mountain village to saving faith. Strengthen the faith of the few Dolpa believers and give them courage to share the gospel with their own people. Penetrate their hearts with Your truth as they learn to be disciples of Jesus.

Teach me, LORD, the meaning of Your statutes, and I will always keep them. Help me understand Your instruction, and I will obey it and follow it with all my heart. Psalm 119:33-34



March
11

HUISHUI MIAO OF CHINA

Lord, thank You for the Huishui Miao, whom You created for Your glory. Help the few believers among them to be steadfast in their relationships with You. Give them opportunities to share their faith with their family and neighbors. Prepare divine appointments for Huishui Miao people working in larger cities to hear the gospel; Lord, may they receive it with joy and take it back to their villages.

Your words were found, and I ate them. Your words became a delight to me and the joy of my heart, for I am called by Your name, Yahweh God of Hosts. Jeremiah 15:16

A photograph of a woman with dark hair tied back, wearing a red and black checkered long-sleeved shirt. She is looking down and working with her hands on a table, possibly preparing food or a craft. The background is slightly blurred, showing other people and an indoor setting.

March
12

HENGYANG, CHINA

Father, we pray for the city of Hengyang; most of its over 1 million people have never heard the name of Jesus. One of the peaks surrounding the city is Mount Heng, considered one of the China's five holy mountains by Buddhists and Taoists. We pray the few Christians in Hengyang will be bold to share with those around them, and that those they share with will call on the name of the one true God, the creator and mover of mountains.

Every human being on the face of the earth will tremble before Me. The mountains will be thrown down, the cliffs will collapse, and every wall will fall to the ground. Ezekiel 38:20b



March
13

CHINESE DIASPORA IN PERU

Lord, turn the hearts of the 1 million Chinese people in Peru to Jesus. We especially pray for the great number of Chinese in Lima, both new immigrants as well as second and third-generation families. Open their hearts to respond in repentance and faith when they hear the good news. Send more laborers into this harvest field to proclaim Your message of life in both Chinese and Spanish as they make disciples and plant churches.

Then He said to His disciples, “The harvest is abundant, but the workers are few. Therefore, pray to the Lord of the harvest to send out workers into His harvest.” Matthew 9:37-38



March
14

YIWU, CHINA

Heavenly Father, people come from around the world to do wholesale business in this centrally-located city in Zhejiang province. May Your church there thrive and may believers share boldly with their neighbors and with visitors to the area. Create a gospel movement that will make its way around the world because of the faithfulness of the Yiwu church to share the love of Christ with everyone who comes for business.

Above all, put on love—the perfect bond of unity. Colossians 3:14



March
15

NINGBO, CHINA

God, a rich Christian heritage exists in Ningbo. Bless the church there, not for their own purpose and fame, but for Your glory. May Your peace rest on Ningbo believers, and may they be peacemakers in their families and workplaces. Shine on them that they may reflect Your glory to others and make Your ways known in every neighborhood. As they stand firm against whatever may come their way, bless them and make them blessings to others.

May Yahweh bless you and protect you; may Yahweh make His face shine on you and be gracious to you; may Yahweh look with favor on you and give you peace. Numbers 6:24-26



March
16

ULAANBAATAR, MONGOLIA

Father, we pray for Khalkha Mongol believers in Ulaanbaatar, Mongolia. Grow them in Your Word and give them a burden to share Your good news with everyone they meet. Bless the church with health and unity as they work together to proclaim Your name. As they remain faithful to Your Word, give them favor in the eyes of the government. May they continue to have religious freedom to worship You.

First of all, then, I urge that petitions, prayers, intercessions, and thanksgivings be made for everyone, for kings and all those who are in authority, so that we may lead a tranquil and quiet life in all godliness and dignity.

1 Timothy 2:1-2



March
17

JIAXING, CHINA

Heavenly Father, we pray for the city of Jiaxing. We thank You for faithful believers in this city who are carrying out the good work of the spread of the gospel. We pray that in the midst of ongoing persecution, You will bring about revival and renewal of mind in the believers there. Give them a vision and a desire to persevere until the work You have called them to do is accomplished.

Therefore, we do not give up. Even though our outer person is being destroyed, our inner person is being renewed day by day. So we do not focus on what is seen, but on what is unseen. For what is seen is temporary, but what is unseen is eternal. 2 Corinthians 4:16, 18



March
18

DANDONG, CHINA

Lord, in this port city on the river which separates China and North Korea, give local believers wisdom. Thank You for continuing to protect them. Enable and equip Your people in Dandong to reach their city and beyond, especially those living nearby who have no opportunity to hear the gospel. May new groups start and may laborers be sent to the harvest fields. Allow the strategic movement of Your people in this difficult place.

LORD, Your word is forever; it is firmly fixed in heaven. Your faithfulness is for all generations; You established the earth, and it stands firm.

Psalm 119:89-90



March
19

CENTRAL TIBETANS OF CHINA

Lord, You reign, and the earth should rejoice. All the nations should be glad, yet there are still many in the world who have never heard the gospel. The Central Tibetan people are among those groups where most of the population has never had the opportunity to hear the good news of Jesus. We are grateful for Bible translations in their language, and we pray Christians will go and proclaim Your Word to Central Tibetans.

Let the peoples praise You, God; let all the peoples praise You.

Psalm 67:3



March
20

ANSHAN, CHINA

Lord, in this important steel-producing city of over 2 million, protect Your people from occupational hazards and work through them to impact Anshan. When they face danger and oppression, be their tower of refuge. Thank You for equipping small group leaders; give them the wisdom to determine how large or small their meetings should be. Grant unity and cooperation among believers. Thank You for Your grace upon Anshan.

You are blessed when they insult and persecute you and falsely say every kind of evil against you because of Me. Be glad and rejoice, because your reward is great in heaven. For that is how they persecuted the prophets who were before you. Matthew 5:11-12



March
21

WUXI, CHINA

God, we pray for the 6.5 million people living in the greater Wuxi area. Many people there are seeking comfort and security in worldly and temporary things. We pray they will hear the gospel and discover that only You can bring joy, peace, and security. There is a need for urban churches for the white-collar, educated, and middle-class people. Lord, raise up church leaders to plant healthy churches and shepherd Your flock.

But seek first the kingdom of God and his righteousness, and all these things will be provided for you. Matthew 6:33



March
22

NISU YI OF CHINA

Like many Yi people groups in southern China, the Nisu follow animistic rituals passed down from generation to generation. Almighty God, we pray that You rescue these people from a long history of worshiping evil spirits. Break the chains that hold them captive and help them know You. As Nisu people come to faith, give them the strength to leave behind traditions that do not honor You.

Let the whole earth tremble before the LORD; let all the inhabitants of the world stand in awe of Him. Psalm 33:8



March
23

GUIBEI ZHUANG OF CHINA

Father of light, we pray for the 1.6 million Guibei Zhuang people who live in darkness. We ask specifically for more laborers among them so that Jesus will be proclaimed throughout the region. May gospel seeds that were already sown quickly take root and result in many new believers among the Guibei Zhuang. We pray that the glory of the Lord will cover the mountains there as the waters cover the seas.

For the earth will be filled with the knowledge of the LORD's glory, as the waters cover the sea. Habakkuk 2:14

A photograph of the Harbin International Ice and Snow Festival. The scene is filled with intricate ice sculptures, including a large, multi-tiered ice castle with spires and a central tower. In the background, there are tall, thin ice structures and a banner with Chinese characters. People are seen walking through the snow-covered area. The image is partially overlaid by a blue diagonal graphic element.

March
24

HARBIN, CHINA

Father, we lift up Harbin and ask for Your protection over those who serve You there. Grow Your kingdom as schools in Harbin train new church leaders to shepherd new flocks. We praise You for the faithfulness of the local church in Harbin as they continue to teach and preach Your Word to those in their communities. May Your light shine through them and become a beacon guiding the lost so that they may find You.

In the same way, let your light shine before men, so that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father in heaven. Matthew 5:16



March
25

NAMELESS PEOPLE GROUP OF EAST ASIA

God, how You must grieve for this Nameless People Group who live in spiritual darkness because they aren't allowed access to You in any way. We pray for Your gospel of light to penetrate this dark place that is tightly controlled with no personal freedoms. Please work in unlimited and miraculous ways to shine Your hope into the hearts and minds of this people group so that they will love and follow You.

Then Jesus spoke to them again: "I am the light of the world. Anyone who follows Me will never walk in the darkness but will have the light of life." John 8:12



March
26

DALIAN, CHINA

Lord, protect the church in Dalian. Thank You for believers there from every sector of society. We pray for teachers, professors, and medical doctors who are counting the cost as they publicly declare they are Yours. We pray that their unsaved family members will open their hearts to You. Give them wisdom and discernment as they face persecution and may they daily look to You to guide them.

Whenever you turn to the right or to the left, your ears will hear this command behind you: “This is the way. Walk in it.” Isaiah 30:21



March
27

PUTIAN, CHINA

Yahweh, Your Word commands us not to worship other gods, because You know they will take our hearts away from You. Off the coast of Putian is Meizhou Island, known as the birthplace of the goddess of the sea, Mazu. Worshipped by many seafarers and their families, they see her as a benevolent and kind protector. Their eyes are blinded to Your truth. Remove the scales, Lord, so they can clearly see You. May they bow before You alone.

You are never to bow down to another god because Yahweh, being jealous by nature, is a jealous God. Exodus 34:14



March
28

GRASSROOTS PEOPLE, BEIJING, CHINA

Father, we ask that You strengthen “outsider” churches that consist of brothers and sisters who are generally poorer, less educated, and are not originally from Beijing. May they be beacons of hope to others who have migrated to this huge metropolis. Lord, bless their faithfulness. We pray that You will extend the breadth of their influence and witness even further into the city.

For the message of the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but it is God’s power to us who are being saved. 1 Corinthians 1:18



March
29

BAODING, CHINA

God, bless the evangelical work being done in Baoding. For years, church leaders have been pressured to follow the government regulations concerning the church, such as what they can preach and who can attend. We pray leaders will have the wisdom and courage to stand firm, withstand the pressure, and keep doing what You call them to do for the kingdom. May they be people of integrity, respected among their neighbors.

Therefore, my dear brothers, be steadfast, immovable, always excelling in the Lord's work, knowing that your labor in the Lord is not in vain.

1 Corinthians 15:58



March
30

XINGTAI, CHINA

God of wisdom, continue to lead the church in Xingtai as they faithfully train workers. Give Your church there presence and favor among all of the people of the city. As people are drawn to church, we pray they will clearly hear the gospel of Christ, repent, follow You, and be baptized. We thank You for pastors who consistently do what is right; may their labor produce much fruit in Xingtai and beyond.

The revelation of Your words brings light and gives understanding to the inexperienced. Psalm 119:130

A wide-angle photograph of the Shanghai skyline, featuring the Oriental Pearl Tower and various skyscrapers along the waterfront. The image is partially overlaid by a dark blue diagonal graphic element on the right side.

March
31

SHANGHAI, CHINA

Shanghai is one of the largest cities in the world and one of the biggest economic gateways in East Asia. Compassionate Father, as churches there network together to make disciples and plant more churches near and far, satisfy Your people with Your faithful love so that they may shout with joy and be glad always. May they rejoice for as many years as You have humbled them and for as many years as they have seen adversity.

Let the favor of the Lord our God be on us; establish for us the work of our hands—establish the work of our hands! Psalm 90:17

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April
1

ZUOJIANG ZHUANG OF CHINA

Language confusion still exists today. Separated by mountains and rivers, different groups of Zhuang people have their own unique languages. The Zuojiang Zhuang, named after the Zuojiang River they live by, have a similar culture but different language from their neighbors. God, send believers gifted in language to help with gospel resources; may Your Word be understood clearly by the more than 1.5 million Zuojiang Zhuang.

Come, let Us go down there and confuse their language so that they will not understand one another's speech. Genesis 11:7



April
2

BURYAT OF RUSSIA

Lord, You see the Russian Buryat whether they live in the country, city, or live as nomads. You see their hearts and You know their need for You. You see them worshipping nature like their Mongol ancestors, hoping to find peace. Their eyes are blind and they cannot see You. You have provided a witness to them through a small band of believers. Embolden them to proclaim the gospel so searching Buryat hearts will find rest in You.

Rest in God alone, my soul, for my hope comes from Him. Psalm 62:5



April
3

NORTHERN DONG OF CHINA

Lord, the 1.4 million Northern Dong people do not even have gospel recordings in their language. Their villages are close-knit; if Your Word were available in some form, just imagine what one faithful person could accomplish. Instead, fear continues to grip hearts and consume lives as they attempt to appease the spirits. Send workers to the Northern Dong, Lord; move Your mighty arm and accomplish victory for Your Name's sake.

I looked, but there was no one to help, and I was amazed that no one assisted; so My arm accomplished victory for Me, and My wrath assisted Me. Isaiah 63:5

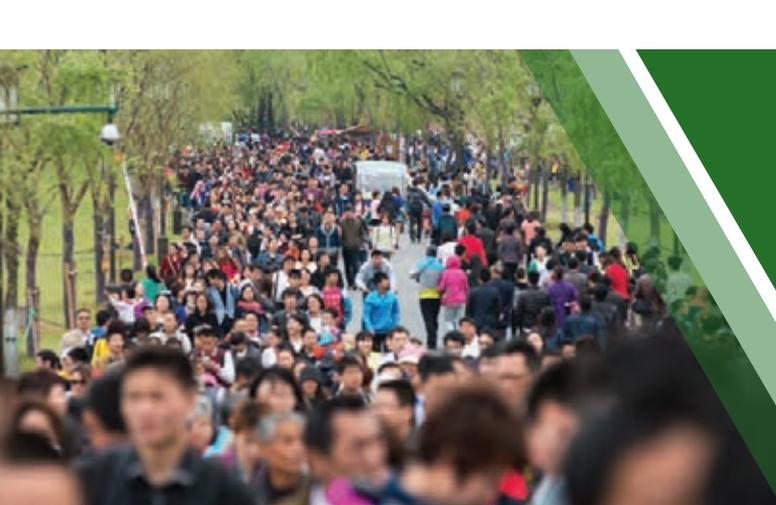
A close-up photograph of a metal railing covered in numerous colorful padlocks. The padlocks are in various colors, including red, blue, yellow, and silver. The background is a soft-focus green, suggesting an outdoor setting with trees. The image is partially obscured by a green and white geometric overlay on the right side.

April
4

TIELING, CHINA

Lord, You have sent workers to the nations, and sometimes the nations live together in one city. This is true for Tieling, a multiethnic area with a Han Chinese majority but with one-quarter of the population being people from various ethnic minorities. We pray for small groups representing the variety of cultures to multiply in this coal-mining city. May a kingdom culture prevail as believers work together to make disciples.

Go, therefore, and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. Matthew 28:19



April
5

CHINA

Father, we praise You that China has a large and fast-growing Christian population, but there is still much work to be done in this country of over 1.4 billion people. We pray for a Christian influence to permeate the influential cities of China. Call more churches and believers willing to take Your message of hope to the masses who have not yet heard. May Your praises be sung and Your name glorified throughout the country.

Arise, shine, for your light has come, and the glory of the LORD shines over you. Isaiah 60:1



April
6

LISHUI, CHINA

Father, total surrender to Your will is not easy, but we pray that the cry from the believers in Lishui will be this, “Not our will, but Yours, O God.” May Christians in this river city be willing to lay down their will for Your will, their lives for Your life. May Your kingdom come in great power as believers in Lishui follow Your higher ways, Lord.

Your kingdom come. Your will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Going a little farther, He fell facedown and prayed, “My Father! If it is possible, let this cup pass from Me. Yet not as I will, but as You will.”
Matthew 6:10, 26:39



April
7

NARASHINO, JAPAN

Narashino is a busy commercial center and a bedroom community for the nearby cities of Chiba and Tokyo. During the past two world wars, it was the site of cavalry camps and army training schools and now is the home to Japan's Self Defense forces. Gracious Father, bring the people of this city to You. We pray that You will raise up an army of followers unto Yourself in the city of Narashino.

For our battle is not against flesh and blood, but against the rulers, against the authorities, against the world powers of this darkness, against the spiritual forces of evil in the heavens. Ephesians 6:12



April
8

HUI OF QINGHAI, CHINA

Father God, You desire to see all the Hui of Qinghai come to know You. You have sent local workers to labor in this hard field, to love their neighbors and serve them while sharing with them about Your unconditional love and the grace You offer. Though the Hui people walk in darkness, we know You desire them to see the light of Jesus and to receive the reconciliation available through Him. Bring them to a place of rejoicing in You.

The people who live in darkness have seen a great light, and for those living in the shadowland of death, light has dawned. Matthew 4:16



April
9

LUOBOHE MIAO OF CHINA

Lord, thank You for the Luobohe Miao, whom You created to glorify You. There are very few believers among them and the local government makes it difficult to have any kind of sustained presence where they live. Father, we pray that You will open doors to enter Luobohe villages. We also pray that Luobohe people working in bigger cities will receive the gospel and take it back to their home villages.

Look, I am about to do something new; even now it is coming. Do you not see it? Indeed, I will make a way in the wilderness, rivers in the desert. Isaiah 43:19



April
10

TUVANS OF MONGOLIA

Of the 300,000 Tuvans worldwide, 42,000 live in Mongolia and over 300 of them have received new life in Christ. For those who have not believed, Father, we pray that Your Spirit will expose the deception of Tibetan Buddhism and Shamanism and soften hearts to turn to Jesus. Lord, establish healthy Tuvan churches in Mongolia. Use the rich heritage of oral poetry and music for Your name to be praised among Tuvan people.

Praise the LORD, all nations! Glorify Him, all peoples! For His faithful love to us is great; the LORD's faithfulness endures forever. Hallelujah!
Psalm 117:1-2



April
11

WENZHOU, CHINA

Father, we pray for Wenzhou. We thank You for the work that has been accomplished there and the high concentration of believers in the city. As church buildings are being torn down and government pressure or persecution increases, encourage believers to remain steadfast and set their hope in Your sovereignty over their lives. We pray for proper perspectives as they see the life of Jesus manifested in their bodies.

Now we have this treasure in clay jars, so that this extraordinary power may be from God and not from us. We are pressured in every way... perplexed...persecuted...struck down...so that the life of Jesus may also be revealed in our body. 2 Corinthians 4:7-10

A white ceramic plate with red Chinese calligraphy is the central focus. The calligraphy includes the characters '不骄不躁' (modesty and patience) and '爱是永恒' (love is eternal). To the left, a green vase holds yellow flowers. The background is a dark green gradient with a white diagonal line.

April
12

DPF: CHRISTIANITY IN CHINA

Lord, Christianity has survived and even flourished over the centuries in China. You have placed Christians in every part of society and in a majority of the 55 official minority groups. Though Christianity there has come under relentless attack, You have sustained Your people. The perseverance of the church is due in part to the faithful prayers of the saints. May this nation of increasing global importance never be without fervent intercessors.

Those who sow in tears will reap with shouts of joy. Though one goes along weeping, carrying the bag of seed, he will surely come back with shouts of joy, carrying his sheaves. Psalm 126:5-6

A photograph of two elderly women in a rural setting. The woman on the left is wearing a green and white patterned headscarf and a dark jacket. The woman on the right is wearing a red knitted headscarf and a purple patterned shirt. They are both smiling and looking towards the left. In the background, a man is partially visible, and there are bamboo structures and a building.

April
13

BUNU OF CHINA

God, You gave life to the Bunu people and have protected them through years of suffering. Oppression drove them to remote mountain villages which have kept them separated geographically and linguistically from others. Bunu people believe in divine creation and a great flood but think they are the work of their god, Pan Hu. They have not heard of the God who bestows and redeems life through Jesus. God, open their eyes to Your truth.

God, Yahweh...created the heavens and stretched them out...spread out the earth and what comes from it...gives breath to the people on it and life to those who walk on it... Isaiah 42:5



April
14

ZHUZHOU, CHINA

Covenant God, for years You have faithfully worked in Zhuzhou, bringing students, adults, and whole families into the kingdom. Continue writing Your Word on their hearts and give them boldness to proclaim Your truth. We long for the day all will know You, from least to greatest. Until then, comfort laborers in the harvest field. When churches are closed, give leaders courage to begin again. Supply their needs and grant them favor.

I will put My teaching within them and write it on their hearts. I will be their God, and they will be My people... Jeremiah 31:33b



April
15

NORTH KOREAN REFUGEES

Thank You, God, for the approximately 33,000 North Korean refugees who have successfully fled and become South Koreans. They long for family and their homeland even though they're thankful not to be there. Their new home is uncomfortable with difficult adjustments complicated by distrust from society. Lord, their troubles are many. Please cause them to hear and believe Your gospel and then share it with their family and friends.

Your heart must not be troubled. Believe in God; believe also in Me. In My Father's house are many dwelling places...I am going away to prepare a place for you. John 14:1-2



April
16

KAWASAKI, JAPAN

Holy One, You know that Kawasaki, Japan is sandwiched between Japan's two largest cities, Tokyo and Yokohama. Lord, just as Kawasaki extends from the bay to the mountains, we pray that You will have a full sweep of influence over the people of this city with their busy lives. Establish churches throughout this area that will become places of refuge for the weary.

Come to Me, all of you who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest. Matthew 11:28



April
17

BAOSHAN, CHINA

Baoshan is located on China's Southern Silk Road. Thirteen different ethnicities are native to Baoshan, adding an abundance of folk cultures, complete with festivals and celebrations. God, bring salvation to this city. We pray for the day when all will raise hands proclaiming You as Lord. Grow the believers there, leading more people to worship and glorify You alone, singing songs to proclaim Your greatness and dancing to honor You.

On that day it will be said, "Look, this is our God; we have waited for Him, and He has saved us. This is the LORD; we have waited for Him. Let us rejoice and be glad in His salvation." Isaiah 25:9



April
18

HANGZHOU, CHINA

Father, increase Your church in Hangzhou, not only in the depth of their belief but also in spreading the gospel to the ends of the earth. As You have so richly blessed them in receiving the gospel and responding in confidence, grant Christians there further faith to take the gospel to places in China and around the world where others are not able to go. Please save a multitude through their faithfulness in going.

Enlarge the site of your tent, and let your tent curtains be stretched out; do not hold back; lengthen your ropes, and drive your pegs deep.
Isaiah 54:2

A photograph of a man in traditional Miao clothing, including a dark jacket over a patterned shirt, playing a long bamboo instrument. He is holding several other bamboo tubes. The background is a lush green forest. The image is partially overlaid by a green diagonal graphic element.

April
19

EASTERN XIANGXI MIAO OF CHINA

As far back as the 10th century, the Eastern Xiangxi Miao were fierce fighters, defending their people against marauding forces. Even through hundreds of years of heavy oppression, they have maintained their cultural identity. God our defender, may the Eastern Xiangxi Miao know You are their deliverer. Let the sound of joyful praise to You ring out from their villages high upon the mountains.

Take Your shields—large and small—and come to my aid. Draw the spear and javelin against my pursuers, and assure me: “I am your deliverance.”

Psalm 35:2-3



April
20

CHINESE DIASPORA IN CAMBODIA

Tens of thousands of Chinese move to Cambodia each year hoping to find success through business ventures or to make it rich quick in one of the newly-built Chinese casinos. Loving Father, we pray they will give their lives to a Savior who loves them rather than waste their lives pursuing treasures that do not last. Open their eyes to see the fleeting contentment of these temporary riches, and the true contentment found only in You.

But collect for yourselves treasures in heaven, where neither moth nor rust destroys, and where thieves don't break in and steal. Matthew 6:20



April
21

LABA OF CHINA

Lord, Your Word has gone out to the Laba people but has not taken root: less than 1 percent follow Jesus. They have many resources because they speak the national language, yet they remain committed to worshipping the spirits of their ancestors and offering them animal sacrifices. God, reveal the futility of their worship and help them accept Jesus's once-for-all sacrifice. We pray this year Your Word will accomplish Your purposes.

Then they cried out to the LORD in their trouble; He saved them from their distress. He sent His word and healed them; He rescued them from the Pit. Psalm 107:19-20



April
22

GUIYANG MIAO OF CHINA

God, thank you for the Guiyang Miao and for the small pockets of believers among them. While there are some Christians and even a few churches, we realize that so many of the Guiyang Miao still need to hear the good news of Christ. Father, please send local churches to partner with existing believers and to enter new villages where there are people who have yet to hear.

Always praying with joy for all of you in my every prayer, because of your partnership in the gospel from the first day until now. Philippians 1:4-5



April
23

LIAOCHENG, CHINA

Liaocheng's nickname is Water City because it sits at the convergence of the Yellow River and the Grand Canal. Father, many there drink from wells that will never quench their thirst, unaware of the gift You have for them. If they will follow Jesus, He will give them living water. We pray many in Liaocheng will make this choice and discover a fresh spring within them, giving them eternal life and drawing many to Jesus.

Jesus answered, "If you knew the gift of God, and who is saying to you, 'Give Me a drink,' you would ask Him, and He would give you living water." John 4:10



April
24

PANJIN, CHINA

Lord of the harvest, in this city of over 1 million people, multiply Your church. Send laborers from Panjin into the wider harvest beyond. Give wisdom and leadership to pastors who desire to facilitate the sending of Christian workers from eastern China to unreached people both in China and in other countries. Bless the sending, supporting, and cooperation of this great effort; make Your name known among the nations, Father.

I will proclaim Your name to My brothers; I will sing hymns to You in the congregation. Hebrews 2:12



April
25

CENTRAL HONGSHUIHE ZHUANG OF CHINA

God of all hope, we pray for the Central Hongshuihe Zhuang people who live in hopelessness. Send more laborers to live among them so the good news will be proclaimed among the lost. Give root to the gospel seeds that have already been sown and bring forth a multitude of new believers throughout their villages. May this people group be glad and sing for joy!

Let the nations rejoice and shout for joy, for You judge the peoples with fairness and lead the nations on earth. Psalm 67:4



April
26

NAGOYA, JAPAN

Nagoya is Japan's third-largest city and is home to Toyota Motor Corporation. It is a car town and the people who live there are proud of their hometown and its accomplishments. Jehovah God, we pray that Nagoyans will forsake their ambitions of temporary, worldly success, choosing everlasting, abundant life in Christ instead. Every time we see a Toyota, Lord, remind us to pray for Nagoya.

Jesus told him, "I am the way, the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through Me." John 14:6



April
27

XIAOLIANGSHAN NOSU OF CHINA

God Most High, the Xiaoliangshan Nosu live on the opposite side of a mountain range from their other Nosu dialect cousins, but they are not hidden from You. Some have even had exposure to the good news and have heard stories about Jesus. We pray those gospel seeds will find good soil and take root until the fields are ripe for harvest. Father, draw the Xiaoliangshan Nosu people to a saving faith in You through Jesus.

How beautiful on the mountains are the feet of the herald, who proclaims peace, who brings news of good things, who proclaims salvation, who says to Zion, “Your God reigns!” Isaiah 52:7



April
28

JIAMAO LI OF CHINA

Holy Father, we praise You for the few Jiamao Li people who have heard Your message of salvation and responded in faith in years past. Strengthen their belief and give them boldness to proclaim Your salvation to their communities. Lord, please send workers into the harvest field of the Jiamao Li people, that they may become engaged with the gospel and hear the love of Christ proclaimed in their own language.

He told them: “The harvest is abundant, but the workers are few. Therefore, pray to the Lord of the harvest to send out workers into His harvest.” Luke 10:2



April
29

HAICHENG, CHINA

God our protector, thank You for saving many in Haicheng from an early death in the 7.5-magnitude earthquake of 1975. You have grown this city to over 1 million people today. Thank You also for the higher percentage of Christians there. We pray You will protect these believers from human pressures and government interference as You continue to build Your church in Haicheng among all people living there.

But the Lord is faithful; He will strengthen and guard you from the evil one. 2 Thessalonians 3:3



April
30

HUMLA TIBETANS OF NEPAL

All-powerful God, nothing is impossible for You. Have mercy on the ethnic Humla Tibetans in Nepal and provide opportunities for them to hear, believe, and call upon You, their Creator and Savior. Provide discipleship for the few believers and give them courage to share with their own people. We pray for Bible stories to be developed in their heart language that will strike their hearts and produce faith.

But you are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, a people for His possession, so that you may proclaim the praises of the One who called you out of darkness into His marvelous light. 1 Peter 2:9



May
1

CHINESE DIASPORA IN MYANMAR

Heavenly Father, we lift up to You the 1.5 million ethnic Chinese living in Myanmar. Most are upper-class businesspeople who follow Buddhism hoping to gain economic success. Please open their eyes to the hope that is found in Christ alone, and show them the futility of seeking after monetary gain. Save them and use them to reach many from the various ethnic minority groups that live in poverty on both sides of the China-Myanmar border.

From one man He has made every nationality to live over the whole earth and has determined their appointed times and the boundaries of where they live. He did this so they might seek God... Acts 17:26-27



May
2

YOKOSUKA, JAPAN

The city of Yokosuka sits at the door of Tokyo Bay. It was at this port that Commodore Perry and his “Black Ships” signed a treaty that opened Japan to the West. More than 165 years later, Japan continues to influence and be influenced by the world. Lord, help the people there to hear Your voice and worship You rather than venerating the famous Goddess of Mercy Lighthouse that overlooks the bay.

Listen! I stand at the door and knock. If anyone hears My voice and opens the door, I will come in to him and have dinner with him, and he with Me. Revelation 3:20



May
3

TIANBA NOSU OF CHINA

God Most High, only You know how many followers of Jesus Christ there are among the Tianba Nosu. Help them stand strong against persecution. Give the small number of Tianba Nosu Christians a hunger for Your Word, a passion for worship, and a strong desire to share Your love with their family, friends, and neighbors until every Tianba Nosu has access to the gospel. Build Your church among them, Lord, and dispel the darkness.

For we are His creation, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared ahead of time so that we should walk in them.

Ephesians 2:10



May
4

SOUTHERN BAI OF CHINA

Heavenly Father, thank You for the small band of Southern Bai believers and for the few leaders that exist among them. These leaders love You and love their people, but they lack a missionary zeal. Motivate their hearts and open their mouths to courageously proclaim the mystery of the gospel among the many people who have never heard the good news. Delight them with Your presence as they go.

Pray also for me, that the message may be given to me when I open my mouth to make known with boldness the mystery of the gospel.
Ephesians 6:19



May
5

MASHAN MIAO OF CHINA

Father, we know You dearly love the Mashan Miao. You saw their need, and You sent Your Word to them. Thank You for the few believers among them, as well as the local brother You have set apart for Your service. Lord, sustain the believers among them and give them boldness to share the gospel. Provide Christian spouses for the believers, as they are often tempted to marry a non-believer due to the lack of Christians among them.

And my God will supply all your needs according to His riches in glory in Christ Jesus. Philippians 4:19



May
6

FUXIN, CHINA

Lord, look with favor upon Fuxin. We pray fellowships there will shine brightly, bringing hope to many through personal relationships and ministries in nursing homes, orphanages, and childcare settings. In this small city of 1 million, the main source of income has been coal mining. God, You know the increased stress and hopelessness felt by residents as mines have closed in recent years. Restore their hope, Lord, and save them.

Restore us, Yahweh, the God of Hosts; look on us with favor, and we will be saved. Psalm 80:19



May
7

CHIFENG, CHINA

Chifeng, meaning Red Mountain, is thus named because of the rust-colored mountain nearby. God, You know the mountain's importance to the city, and You see the many people who go there to worship. As people travel to the Buddhist temple in the middle of Red Mountain, interrupt their journey with Your presence. As people of Chifeng look at creation, we pray they will know the Creator of the mountains and seek to follow Him!

Look to the mountains—the feet of one bringing good news and proclaiming peace! Nahum 1:15a



May
8

PANTHAY HUI OF THAILAND

God, we pray the Panthay Hui will know how much You love them, and the sacrifice that was made for them through Jesus. They seek to please Allah through their own efforts, daily striving to earn salvation. But one question always remains: “Is it enough?” Their salvation is never sure. We pray their hearts will receive You as the one true God. Grant them Your grace, mercy, and the absolute assurance of Your promise of eternal life.

I have written these things to you who believe in the name of the Son of God, so that you may know that you have eternal life. 1 John 5:13



May
9

YINGKOU, CHINA

Lord God, thank You for the large amount of shipping that takes place at the port city of Yingkou, which allows people there to have work and an income. We ask You to grow Your church there, despite the recent pressures Christians have faced. Enlarge their territory and grant them success in evangelism, discipleship, and the planting of new churches in Yingkou. May their presence and influence increase rather than decrease.

We proclaim Him, warning and teaching everyone with all wisdom, so that we may present everyone mature in Christ. Colossians 1:28



May
10

DPF: EAST ASIANS IN DOMINICA AND THE DOMINICAN REPUBLIC

God our defender, in Dominica and the Dominican Republic many profess to know You, but their lives do not demonstrate a deep commitment to Your Word. Bring revival to the hearts of believers and cause them to hunger for what is right. Strengthen the Chinese church there and give them the vision to take the good news to those who face discrimination in their communities. Call Christians from these islands and send them to the nations.

Let them give glory to the LORD and declare His praise in the islands.
Isaiah 42:12



May
11

SANJIANG DONG OF CHINA

Gracious Father, the power You have given Your children is the same power that raised Christ from the dead. May believers among the Sanjiang Southern Dong be filled with power and wisdom to build gospel bridges with those around them. Give them the confidence to be bold as they proclaim the gospel in every aspect of their lives—with family and friends, in the fields, in business, and in industry.

For God has not given us a spirit of fearfulness, but one of power, love, and sound judgment. So don't be ashamed of the testimony about our Lord... 2 Timothy 1:7-8

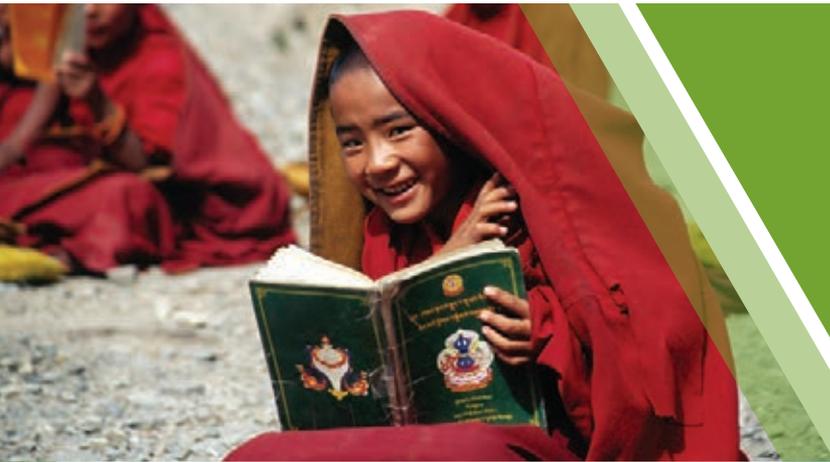


May
12

LIUJIANG ZHUANG OF CHINA

God of our salvation, we cry out to You on behalf of the 1.7 million Liujiang Zhuang who live in darkness. Protect the seeds that have already been sown; cause them to take root and yield new believers. We pray that many will call upon Your mighty name and be saved. Burden nearby Chinese churches with the needs of the Liujiang Zhuang and send laborers to live and work in their villages to bring gospel light to them.

But the one sown on the good ground—this is one who hears and understands the word, who does bear fruit and yields: some 100, some 60, some 30 times what was sown. Matthew 13:23



May
13

ERGONG JIARONG TIBETANS OF CHINA

Our God and King, the Ergong Jiarong Tibetans are a beautiful people group who live in the steep mountains of Sichuan province. We ask You to open the ancient gates and the ancient doors in this place so that You will be Lord there. Remove the blindfolds that hinder these people from seeing You. Break any strongholds that bind them so that You, the King of Glory, can come in.

Lift up your heads, you gates! Rise up, ancient doors! Then the King of glory will come in. Who is He, this King of glory? The LORD of Hosts, He is the King of glory. Psalm 24:9-10



May
14

CHIBA, JAPAN

Chiba was a major center of military production leading up to World War II and was a target of Allied bombing. The city was almost destroyed, but now it is a primary seaport and a nationwide convention center. In this wealthy area of Japan, merciful Father, we pray You will be more valuable to the people than gold. We pray that the citizens of this “City of a thousand leaves” will meet Jesus and want to spend their lives following Him.

Better a day in Your courts than a thousand anywhere else. Psalm 84:10a



May
15

YONGJIA, CHINA

Lord, please stir the hearts of Han Chinese believers in Yongjia to take the good news to the lost, beginning with their neighbors and then reaching out to other cities in their province, their country, and across the world. Give them an excitement as they consider opportunities to be used as salt and light in dark places. Provide for their needs and undergird them with an army of prayer warriors who will intercede for them day and night.

And repentance for forgiveness of sins would be proclaimed in His name to all the nations, beginning at Jerusalem. Luke 24:47



May
16

HENGSHUI, CHINA

God, have mercy on Hengshui city and the surrounding counties. For many years they have been harassed by “Three Redemptions of Christ,” one of the most rampant cults in China. A few evangelical churches have been started there in recent years, but they have been distracted with internal struggles. Lead them in Your way to resolve the struggles they face; give them the strength and wisdom to focus on what You ask them to do.

Brothers, I do not consider myself to have taken hold of it. But one thing I do: Forgetting what is behind and reaching forward to what is ahead...
Philippians 3:13



May
17

WESTERN LIPO LOLO OF CHINA

Lord, the Western Lipo Lolo love to sing and tell stories about their beautiful home, a place where deep red rhododendrons bloom on the high mountains. We pray that the young church located in these mountains will faithfully stand against persecution, clearly share about the blood of Jesus shed for the forgiveness of sins, and grow in the knowledge of truth. May Your Word soon be available in the Western Lipo Lolo language.

Let the rivers clap their hands; let the mountains shout together for joy before the LORD, for He is coming to judge the earth. He will judge the world righteously and the peoples fairly. Psalm 98:8-9



May
18

ZHONGSHAN, CHINA

Heavenly Father, Zhongshan, named after Dr. Sun Yat-Sen, has long been historically significant to China and is one of the very few cities there to be named after a person. Yet the majority of people in this city have never had a chance to hear of Your name or Your glory. May those who have heard, such as factory workers, soon place their faith in You. We pray that those who have chosen to follow You will shine Your light brightly.

Those who are wise will shine like the bright expanse of the heavens, and those who lead many to righteousness, like the stars forever and ever.

Daniel 12:3



May
19

BINZHOU, CHINA

With government persecution on the rise, several churches in Binzhou have been closed and many Christians meet and worship online, often using nonsecure methods. God, You are our strong tower; provide safe ways for believers to meet, encourage one another, and have their faith strengthened. For older Christians who have difficulty accessing online services, provide places for them to meet for mutual edification and protect their gatherings.

The name of Yahweh is a strong tower; the righteous run to it and are protected. Proverbs 18:10



May
20

TICHERONGBA TIBETANS OF NEPAL

Omniscient Father, we know little about the Ticherongba Tibetans, but You know every name and their every need. We pray for opportunities to proclaim the gospel among them. God, open their eyes to see the futility of the Bön religion they follow; help them understand that the enemy comes only to steal, kill, and destroy, but You come to give abundant life. Convict them of sin, Lord, and draw them to You.

A thief comes only to steal and to kill and to destroy. I have come so that they may have life and have it in abundance. John 10:10



May
21

NANJING, CHINA

Nanjing has been established as the home of the largest government-sanctioned churches, as well as the official government-controlled seminary. Non-registered churches have experienced the strong arm of intense persecution, with many having been destroyed and closed. God, look upon believers in Nanjing with favor and encourage them with Your Word. Give them hope as they trust You for creative ways to continue meeting together.

For they did not take the land by their sword—their arm did not bring them victory—but by Your right hand, Your arm, and the light of Your face, for You were pleased with them. Psalm 44:3



May
22

HAIKOU, CHINA

Lord, we pray for the many pastors and lay leaders who have faithfully studied as theological students over the last several years. May they serve You with joy and unwavering faith. Continue to call new laborers and provide new means for ministry to continue in Haikou. Give believers there a heart that always puts Jesus first, a zeal for doing good, a strong sense of unity, and a holy fear of You, not man.

And who will harm you if you are deeply committed to what is good? But even if you should suffer for righteousness, you are blessed. Do not fear what they fear or be disturbed. 1 Peter 3:13-14



May
23

HONG KONG SAR, CHINA

Heavenly Father, Hong Kong has long been a beacon of Your love in the region, and Your message has gone forth from there to the nations. We pray for the churches of Hong Kong to stand strong with a renewed commitment to Your purposes. For those still searching for answers, we pray their security will be found in You. May the city of Hong Kong continue to shine Your light in these changing and turbulent times.

Be blameless and pure, children of God who are faultless in a crooked and perverted generation, among whom you shine like stars in the world.

Philippians 2:15



May
24

SOUTHERN TAIWAN

God, Southern Taiwan is covered with Your stunning handiwork, but throughout this beautiful landscape are temples where people have worshipped idols for generations. Youth there are uninterested in spiritual things but are drawn to the entertainment and success this world offers. Holy Spirit, awaken the hearts of the Taiwanese people to see the beauty and holiness of their Creator. May they recognize their need for You.

The heavens declare the glory of God, and the sky proclaims the work of His hands. Psalm 19:1



May
25

GUIZHOU, GUIYANG

Master and Teacher, You have called many to participate in pastoral internship programs and to plant churches among unreached people. In this area with many unreached people groups, however, much remains to be done. Lord, continue to provide networks and teachers to facilitate learning and send teams of workers eager to take Your Word to others. Protect them from government oppression, that they may do what You have called them to do.

Protect me as the pupil of Your eye; hide me in the shadow of Your wings from the wicked who treat me violently... Psalm 17:8-9



May
26

MATSUYAMA, JAPAN

Matsuyama is known for its hot springs (onsen) and is the home of the oldest hot spring and best-known bathhouse in Japan, dating back 3,000 years. Awesome Savior, tens of thousands of Japanese people come to the springs each year to have their health restored through cleansing and soaking in the hot baths. We pray for their hearts to be cleansed through faith in You and You alone.

Purify me with hyssop, and I will be clean; wash me, and I will be whiter than snow. Psalm 51:7



May
27

WUHAN, CHINA

God, Wuhan's city slogan is "Wuhan, Different Everyday!" The city is home to a large number of university students who transition in and out of the city every four years. Your churches there share the good news with students, realizing that those who come to faith will then take gospel seeds back home. You see their dedication, and You see their persecution. Protect Wuhan's churches, Lord, and give them strength to continue the race.

Let us run with endurance the race that lies before us, keeping our eyes on Jesus, the source and perfecter of our faith. Hebrews 12:1b-2a



May
28

SOUTH KOREA

Waymaker, You made a way for South Korea to be rebuilt after the Korean War and become the economic power it is today. You made it a country of religious freedom with a high percentage of believers. Lord, we now ask You to pave the way for churches to relate well to younger generations. Captivate their hearts, Lord, and as You are proclaimed among the young, we pray that we will see a resurgence of faithful followers among them.

Imprint these words of mine on your hearts and minds, bind them as a sign on your hands, let them be a symbol on your foreheads. Teach them to your children... Deuteronomy 11:18-19



May
29

KIM MUN MIAO OF CHINA

Lord, may the Kim Mun Miao people scattered across Hainan Island find their identity in You. They have a concept of heaven but don't know Jesus has paid the cost; instead, they believe they get there through the efforts of their sons. Send believers from local people groups to share the gospel with them so that they might believe. May others help with Bible translations and radio broadcasts so more will have access to the good news.

What man among you, who has 100 sheep and loses one of them, does not leave the 99 in the open field and go after the lost one until he finds it? Luke 15:4



May
30

SHENZHEN, CHINA

Heavenly Father, we praise You for those in Shenzhen who have come to know Your love. As the city becomes an even greater beacon of economic development, we pray for those who will come to Shenzhen in search of a better life. Some will give up everything in search of the life they desire, only to find their dreams shattered by the harsh realities of the world. God, we pray they will find lasting life in You.

With me are riches and honor, lasting wealth and righteousness.
Proverbs 8:18



May
31

RENQIU, CHINA

God, when a church in Renqiu closed over a year ago, believers spread out to nearby villages to minister to rural people. Thank You for giving them a desire to serve and not give up. Please continue to comfort them and reassure them that their work is precious to You. Though they may plant in tears, let them harvest with shouts of joy. Multiply the work of their hands to produce more than they imagined.

Still others fell on good ground and produced a crop: some 100, some 60, and some 30 times what was sown. Matthew 13:8



June
1

CHINESE DIASPORA IN MALAYSIA

Emmanuel, God with us, You brought the Chinese to Malaysia in the early 15th century, and You have seen them become successful in business and politics. Strong churches exist among them, yet many of the nearly 8 million Chinese in Malaysia today do not know You. Most have kept the traditional religious customs learned from their parents. You have already sent them Your Word; open their ears to hear. May they call on You and be saved.

Then everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved. Acts 2:21



June
2

ASAHIKAWA, JAPAN

Beautiful Father, we pray for the people of Asahikawa to come to You. This scenic city, located in the mountains of central Hokkaido, holds the record for the coldest temperature ever recorded in Japan in an area that averages an extraordinary 300 inches of snowfall per year. Lord, draw people there to the warmth of Your love. Set their hearts on fire as they study Your Word and realize Your great plan of redemption for them.

I will give you a new heart and put a new spirit within you; I will remove your heart of stone and give you a heart of flesh. Ezekiel 36:26



June
3

XICHANG, CHINA

Xichang, nestled in the foothills of the Himalayas, is the hub for thousands of mountainous minority peoples. The city also hosts the annual torch festival, which originated from an ancient fable of a man who defeated God. Though annually hundreds of thousands of torches are lit in celebration, people there continue to walk in darkness. Father, we pray for the residents of Xichang to know You, the true God whose Son is the Light of the World.

Everything exposed by the light is made clear, for what makes everything clear is light. Rise up from the dead, and the Messiah will shine on you.
Ephesians 5:13-14



June
4

HUI OF XINJIANG, CHINA

Father, many Hui in western China are being interned en masse and subjected to much of the same mistreatment as reported for other Muslim ethnic groups. As their religious freedom is being stripped from them, please comfort them in their suffering and oppression. Through this persecution and detainment, through dreams and visions, communicate Your gospel with them. May they seek salvation and comfort through Jesus alone.

You took off your former way of life, the old self that is corrupted by deceitful desires; you are being renewed in the spirit of your minds.
Ephesians 4:22-23



June
5

HMONG OF SOUTHEAST ASIA

Our Father in heaven, call the Hmong people unto You, and may they follow Your voice. They are scattered throughout Southeast Asia like sheep without a shepherd. For Your glory and honor, lead them into Your green pastures. Give them the strength to stand against every evil scheme of shamanism and the courage to call on Your name so that they will be saved.

But I have other sheep that are not of this fold; I must bring them also, and they will listen to My voice. Then there will be one flock, one shepherd. John 10:16



June
6

XINPING LALU OF CHINA

Father, You have gifted the Xinping Lulu with a love of music, and they often gather to sing traditional songs and play folk instruments. Your Word overflows with songs, but the Xinping Lulu do not have Your Word in their language; for generations they have worshiped many gods, ghosts, and demons. God, give the few Xinping Lulu churches boldness. May they cast out demons, witness miracles, and see entire villages come to Christ.

The LORD is my strength and my song; He has become my salvation.
Psalm 118:14



June
7

QINZHOU, CHINA

Lord, we pray for Christian partners in the coastal trading city of Qinzhou to walk closely with You and be sensitive to Your leading. Give them Your wisdom and creativity to reach the lost. May believers be intentional to encourage others and invest time in those who are faithful, teachable, and available. Direct them to those willing to take the gospel to the lost and teach them how to apply Your Word to life.

Let the message about the Messiah dwell richly among you, teaching and admonishing one another in all wisdom... Colossians 3:16



June
8

EASTERN HONGSHUIHE ZHUANG OF CHINA

Holy God, You see the 1.3 million Eastern Hongshuihe Zhuang people who live in idolatry. They bow down to gods that cannot help them, yet they do not know a different way. We pray for laborers like Paul with an ambition to go where Christ has not been preached. Give them perseverance as they go, and may they stand strong when threatened. Bring forth a mighty harvest among the Eastern Hongshuihe Zhuang.

It has always been my ambition to preach the gospel where Christ was not known, so that I would not be building on someone else's foundation.

Romans 15:20



June
9

KALMYK-OIRAT OF MONGOLIA

Jesus, the good news is veiled to the Kalmyk-Oirat because the god of this world has blinded them. Open their eyes to see Your glory. We pray Your light will break through the darkness that surrounds them and bring salvation. Though they have Bible translations in their language, less than 0.5 percent are Christians. Teach them Your Word, Lord. They love to tell stories, sing, and dance; let it be done unto You.

The god of this age has blinded the minds of the unbelievers, so they cannot see the light of the gospel of the glory of Christ...

2 Corinthians 4:4



June
10

MONGOLIA

God, You see every person in the most densely populated country and You see every person in Mongolia, the most sparsely populated country. You have given them wide open spaces with the great expanse of sky above. As Mongolians look on Your beautiful creation, give them a holy hunger to know You. As they seek You, provide them with the answers they are seeking, and satisfy their longing hearts.

The heavens were made by the word of the LORD, and all the stars, by the breath of His mouth. Psalm 33:6



June
11

HIROSHIMA, JAPAN

God of peace and mercy, You know that Hiroshima was the first city to suffer destruction by an atomic weapon. This attack has seared itself into the consciousness of every person who lives there. As a result, peace is a deeply-held value in Hiroshima. Lord, we pray for this city to know the One who will end all wars, and that its citizens will become ambassadors for Your glory to Japan and the world.

Peace I leave with you. My peace I give to you. John 14:27a



June
12

SOUTHERN LOLOPO OF CHINA

Jesus, due to living in difficult-to-access areas, some Southern Lolo people are nimble tree climbers. High in the branches, they can grab hold of what is hard to reach and view all that is below. Jesus, whether the Southern Lolo are in the trees or on the ground, may they be a people who grasp Your forgiving hand extended from above. Let them look up to see You, acknowledging and praising You as the Most High God.

He taught me and said: “Your heart must hold on to my words. Keep my commands and live.” Proverbs 4:4



June
13

DPF: EAST ASIANS IN HAITI

All-powerful Lord, we ask that You show Your strength in Haiti, especially against the powers of voodoo that still cause fear throughout the land. Allow the gospel to go forth without hindrance. Through Christ, we pray the blind will see and those in bondage will be freed. As natural disasters cause people to repent, may East Asians there be influenced by the fervent prayers of many and turn to You.

He has anointed Me to preach good news to the poor. He has sent Me to proclaim freedom to the captives and recovery of sight to the blind, to set free the oppressed... Luke 4:18



June
14

GUILIN, CHINA

God, our deliverer, strengthen believers in Guilin as they face persecution, and keep them from a spirit of fear. May they stand with others within the church and continually cast the vision to reach the lost around them in their city and surrounding villages. In this area known for beautiful scenery and karst mountains, we pray the beauty of God's holiness will be known. May Christians there be willing to be sent out among the nations.

And now, Lord, consider their threats, and grant that Your slaves may speak Your message with complete boldness. Acts 4:29



June
15

LOBA OF NEPAL

King of kings, the Loba (Lowa) people are the only group in Nepal allowed to retain their king and kingdom. Fewer than 50 Loba are Christians, and none of them live in Loba villages. We pray believers will return to their homes with a desire to see Your kingdom come. Provide safety for travelers on roads known for frequent landslides. Some Scriptures exist in their language; we ask for more Old and New Testament books to be translated.

I assure you: Anyone who hears My word and believes Him who sent Me has eternal life and will not come under judgment but has passed from death to life. John 5:24



June
16

LIUQIAN ZHUANG OF CHINA

Light of the Nations, You see the Liuqian Zhuang people who live in darkness. You tell us to pray for laborers, so we do. Send a legion of workers to this harvest field to proclaim Your gospel. Shine Your light in their hearts to reveal the darkness there, plant Your gospel seeds, and protect them from being snatched away. Fill the Liuqian with the knowledge of Your glory and let them see Jesus in the lives of those who follow You.

For God who said, “Let light shine out of darkness,” has shone in our hearts to give the light of the knowledge of God’s glory in the face of Jesus Christ. 2 Corinthians 4:6



June
17

BUTUO NOSU OF CHINA

Lord, the Butuo Nosu people work hard as farmers in the mountains and enjoy competitions with their livestock, but very few know the joy only You can bring. We pray the gospel will go forth throughout the mountains until every Butuo Nosu village has access to the good news of Jesus. Draw their hearts to You and bring many into Your kingdom, then send them out with joy to tell others this beautiful message.

You will indeed go out with joy and be peacefully guided; the mountains and the hills will break into singing before you, and all the trees of the field will clap their hands. Isaiah 55:12



June
18

FUSHUN, CHINA

Father of the fatherless, many believers in Fushun have fathers who do not know You. Provide spiritual fathers to the next generation. Let multi-generational churches form that will withstand winds of change and persecution. Provide godly role models for young fathers and shower them with wisdom as they parent. Encourage those who minister to others and provide for their every need. Open doors for evangelism throughout Fushun.

Even when I am old and gray, God, do not abandon me. Then I will proclaim Your power to another generation, Your strength to all who are to come. Psalm 71:18



June
19

MACAU SAR, CHINA

Heavenly Father, Macau has had Your Word for over 450 years, and yet only around 1 percent of the current residents have responded favorably to Your gospel. Instead, they allow themselves to be enslaved by the gambling industry and other vices. Roll away the darkness of the gaming industry, along with its exploitation of people, with the light of Your love. As people find hope in You, bring healing to them and their broken families.

Christ has liberated us to be free. Stand firm then and don't submit again to a yoke of slavery. Galatians 5:1



June
20

OSAKA, JAPAN

Osaka is known for its lively atmosphere, unique food, and friendly and outgoing citizens. However, for many Osakans, this lifestyle is simply a mask for their pain and hopelessness as they live without Christ. Father of love and mercy, we ask that You do a great work by Your Holy Spirit to bring true and eternal hope to the people of Osaka. May they seek and find salvation through Jesus Christ.

Now may the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace as you believe in him so that you may overflow with hope by the power of the Holy Spirit.

Romans 15:13



June
21

NUBRIBA TIBETANS OF NEPAL

God who heals, the Nubriba people need Your healing power. Because of the remoteness of their villages, they lack access to medical care. They interact with evil spirits, and fear is a constant companion. Some young Nubriba have become believers, and we pray they will proclaim the good news to their friends and families living in the villages. Open hearts, Lord, to receive salvation. Break the bonds of Tibetan Buddhism and set them free.

I pray that the perception of your mind may be enlightened so you may know what is the hope of His calling, what are the glorious riches of His inheritance among the saints. Ephesians 1:18



June
22

KAILI, CHINA

Creator God, long ago You created a beautiful garden and placed man there. In more recent years, You brought people to a place called Kaili, which in the local Miao language means “newly cultivated land.” In this city known for its many festivals, music, and arts and crafts, we pray for gospel seeds to be planted, watered, and harvested. Send laborers to work alongside local believers in Kaili, giving everyone a chance to hear the good news.

The LORD God planted a garden in Eden, in the east, and there He placed the man He had formed. Genesis 2:8



June
23

GAIZHOU, CHINA

God, bless the work and vision of believers in Gaizhou to see small groups multiply in this city in northeast China. May Christians there live righteously, letting go of all that does not please You. Lord, help them to live in a way that draws others to You. As they pray earnestly and love deeply, let believers reflect Your glory to those who don't yet know You. May they see groups multiply in Gaizhou for many generations.

And what you have heard from me in the presence of many witnesses, commit to faithful men who will be able to teach others also. 2 Timothy 2:2



June
24

SHIJIAZHUANG, CHINA

God our shield, You have protected Shijiazhuang Christians who fervently share the good news and evangelize their communities. Strengthen them in spiritual disciplines so they may impart spiritual life to others. Send mature teachers to help with training as churches grow. May believers proclaim the truth with power and simplicity, especially as they go to university campuses. Give them a shepherd's heart to care for Your young sheep.

Shepherd God's flock among you, not overseeing out of compulsion but freely, according to God's will; not for the money but eagerly. 1 Peter 5:2



June
25

CHOSUN JOK (KOREAN CHINESE) OF EAST ASIA

God, You don't show favoritism but love everyone, including the Chosun Jok (Korean Chinese) people living throughout East Asia. Most feel cultural displacement because they live in one country but have strong ethnic ties to another. Sadly, they're often not socially accepted as equals in either. Lord, strengthen their identity through a relationship with You and embolden believers to share the gospel with their family and friends.

There is no distinction between Jew and Greek, since the same Lord of all is rich to all who call on Him. Romans 10:12



June
26

DONGGUAN, CHINA

Heavenly Father, for many years Dongguan has seen the masses come from across China to work in factories there. As factories begin to relocate or shut down and people return home, we pray that the light of Your glory will go with them. Strengthen believers as they preach the gospel, make disciples, and baptize believers. Bring an awakening in villages throughout the nation and among the various people groups within China's borders.

Then they spoke the message of the Lord to him along with everyone in his house. Acts 16:32



June
27

JIMO, CHINA

Father, strengthen families of church leaders in Jimo. Persecutions, ministry responsibilities, and everyday life make healthy family structures difficult to manage. But through You, we know all things are possible. You alone are the strength and shield of church leaders in Jimo, and they trust You. Carry them in Your arms when they are weary. Equip them for the task, and may their joy in You be their strength as they shine Your light.

The LORD is my strength and my shield; my heart trusts in Him, and I am helped. Therefore my heart rejoices, and I praise Him with my song.
Psalm 28:7



June
28

YANTAI, CHINA

Lord, Yantai was one of the first landing spots for missionaries in China and the home of China Inland Mission. In recent years, the church has been heavily persecuted and is often forced to meet online, which causes difficulty for older Christians who are not as tech-savvy. We pray believers will stand firm, speak truth, and keep promises. Strengthen them to lead blameless lives. May their hearts be sincere, and their eyes focused on You.

LORD, who can dwell in Your tent? Who can live on Your holy mountain?
The one who lives honestly, practices righteousness, and acknowledges
the truth in his heart. Psalm 15:1-2

A close-up photograph of a person's hands holding an open Bible. The text in the Bible is in Chinese characters. The person is wearing a dark red or maroon shirt. The background is dark and out of focus. The image is set against a bright yellow background that features a white diagonal line.

June
29

BEIHAI, CHINA

God, many local church leaders in Beihai have endured opposition and arrests in recent years. Clothe them in strength and keep them steady as they maintain their zeal to serve. During difficult times, protect them from a spirit of bitterness and fear and give them a passion for You and Your church. Break down any resistance as they take Your gospel to other areas, invest in church leaders, and plant new churches.

LORD, You light my lamp; my God illuminates my darkness. With You I can attack a barrier, and with my God I can leap over a wall.

Psalm 18:28-29



June
30

LINGHAI, CHINA

Father God, Christians have worked faithfully to spread the good news in Linghai, and they long to see Your goodness manifested there among the people. They desire to see many enter Your kingdom. Give believers patience as they wait for You to act; may they be courageous as they proclaim Your Word. Continue to encourage them and raise up new laborers to walk alongside them, bringing many from all facets of society into the kingdom.

Be strong and courageous, all you who put your hope in the LORD.

Psalm 31:24

KIMCHI PROJECT

The International Mission Board (IMB) is working closely with the Korea Foreign Mission Board (KFMB) in the development and implementation of missionary sending initiatives. These efforts include *Hands-On* missionaries serving six months to one year; *Journeyman* missionaries serving from two to three years; and long-term *Apprentice* units that serve beyond three years. Your gift will help fuel a missionary movement from Korea to East Asia and the world as we partner together to finish the task among all peoples and nations.



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July
1

YINUO NOSU OF CHINA

Heavenly Father, the Yinuo Nosu have been held prisoner by witchdoctors' strongholds for too long. Thank You that the next generation of young men and women, who traditionally would be trained as witchdoctors themselves, are rejecting the old ways. But Lord, there is a spiritual vacuum. May Your Holy Spirit move powerfully through Yinuo Nosu villages, opening hearts to the gospel and making them responsive to Your Word.

I am Yahweh...who destroys the omens of the false prophets and makes fools of diviners; who confounds the wise and makes their knowledge foolishness. Isaiah 44:24-25

A woman with her hair in a bun, wearing a dark blue traditional garment with intricate patterns, is seated and focused on working on a piece of fabric with a green and blue floral pattern. She is holding a white plastic bag in her lap. The background shows a wooden table and chairs in a simple, rustic setting.

July
2

SOUTHERN DONG (RONGJIANG) OF CHINA

Almighty and Eternal God, You created the mountains and trees, the birds and cicadas. May the Southern Dong people, filled with and transformed by the power of Christ, turn away from worship of created things and turn to worship the Creator, who gave them breath, life, and song. Let them sing, from the bottom of their hearts, praises to You in reverence, and dance with joy in adoration of You and only You.

I will sing to the LORD all my life; I will sing praise to my God while I live.
Psalm 104:33



July
3

IWANUMA, JAPAN

Omnipotent God, Iwanuma is just one nondescript, small town in Japan among thousands—and yet You see it. During the devastating earthquake and tsunami of 2011, a little building there was used as a supply base for the relief efforts. A missionary later saw the forlorn structure and envisioned a church. We thank You that now, by Your grace, this place is a lighthouse for the gospel. Please bless this new church in Iwanuma.

On this rock I will build My church, and the forces of Hades will not overpower it. Matthew 16:18



July
4

HAKKA OF TAIWAN

Taiwan's 4.6 million Hakka are known for colorful hand-made umbrellas and beautiful flowered fabric. But Father, only 0.34 percent of Taiwan's Hakka know You. You love them and have gifted them in many ways; gift them now with peace, hope, and salvation through Jesus. Free them from the bondage of ancestor worship. Continue to call people to Hakka Bible studies, both to reach the community and to learn how to share in Hakka.

Every generous act and every perfect gift is from above, coming down from the Father of lights; with Him there is no variation or shadow cast by turning. James 1:17



July
5

BARAGAUNLE TIBETANS

God, we pray the Baragaunle Tibetans will understand the gospel and place their faith in Jesus alone. They have no Scriptures or songbooks in their language, so we ask You to send those who will help with these translation projects. Thank You for opening their hearts to outsiders and allowing believers to share the gospel. May the seeds fall on responsive hearts, and may Baragaunle Tibetans turn away from animistic and Buddhist ways.

No eye has seen, no ear has heard, no mind has conceived what God has prepared for those who love him. 1 Corinthians 2:9



July
6

ATHLETES IN CHINA

Athletes in China often face many difficulties, including stressful training schedules, separation from family at a young age, and uncertain futures after retirement. Father, call Christians who love You and love sports to share Your love with them. May they come alongside local believers to train people spiritually as well as physically. We pray that through sports, You will impact individuals, families, and communities for Your glory.

Don't you know that the runners in a stadium all race, but only one receives the prize? Run in such a way to win the prize. 1 Corinthians 9:24



July
7

CHINESE DIASPORA IN SOUTH KOREA

Lord of the nations, it has become easier for Chinese to travel over the last decade, and every year millions visit or move to other countries. In South Korea, over 1 million Chinese have established homes, and several million more visit annually. We pray Christians will be intentional in sharing the gospel and discipling those who live and work there. We pray also for those who are just visiting to hear about You and to receive a Bible.

Man must not live on bread alone but on every word that comes from the mouth of God. Matthew 4:4



July
8

EASTERN LOLOPO OF CHINA

Jesus, some Eastern Lolo follow the tiger god, while others believe in gods with frightening faces. Shamans are revered and the people perform intricate dances to appease their deities, begging them to bless their lives and farming activity. Lord, reveal Yourself to them. Let the Eastern Lolo be a people who dance a new dance with hearts of praise, turning from false gods to You and receiving forgiveness for sins.

Then the young woman will rejoice with dancing, while young and old men rejoice together. I will turn their mourning into joy... Jeremiah 31:13



July
9

TSUM TIBETANS OF NEPAL

Legend holds that the beauty of this valley so mesmerized the people there that they named it Tsum, meaning “to shut,” indicating that this secret valley was not to be shared with others. God, we pray relationships will develop between those from the Tsum Valley and believers. Open doors for gospel conversations with Tsum Tibetan people. Stir their hearts to accept You, even though turning from their religion comes at a high cost.

Set your minds on what is above, not on what is on the earth. For you have died, and your life is hidden with the Messiah in God. Colossians 3:2-3



July
10

TAIYUAN, CHINA

Father, we lift up the 4 million people of Taiyuan to You. Nicknamed Dragon City, Taiyuan is known for being conservative, and its people are slow to accept new ideas. Less than 2 percent are Christians. We pray locals will stop striving for money, and will instead accept the gift of Jesus's sacrifice. God, embolden and protect believers as they share the gospel with others. May there be a great harvest of souls in this city.

The weapons of our warfare are not worldly, but are powerful through God for the demolition of strongholds. 2 Corinthians 10:4



July
11

CHANGZHOU, CHINA

Lord, Changzhou is a large city with higher education, industry, commerce, and many churches. Often overlooked by those headed to more well-known cities, Changzhou nonetheless boasts a history of more than 3000 years. God, we pray You will start a revival here, and Your name will be known far and wide. Descend upon this relatively unknown city and make Your name great among the people. Let them then boast in You.

In order that, as it is written: The one who boasts must boast in the Lord. 1 Corinthians 1:31



July
12

DPF: EAST ASIANS IN INDONESIA

God, nearly 3 million Chinese call Indonesia home. Though Islam claims the highest number of followers, Christianity is rapidly growing. Lord, opportunities to share Your love abound in Indonesia. Migrant workers crave hope, frequent natural disasters lead to many needs, and there are 45,000 churchless villages and almost 100 million unevangelized people. Call Chinese Christians to work alongside Indonesian believers to share the gospel.

Then He said to them, “Go into all the world and preach the gospel to the whole creation.” Mark 16:15



July
13

YANG ZHUANG OF CHINA

Lord, over the past several decades, You have sent both long and short-term workers to the Yang Zhuang people. You have established groups of strong believers and have connected them to other church networks within the region. Now, give the believers there the desire and ability to teach others. Through the ministry of Your Word, establish even more faithful disciples. May Your church be strong and steadfast in this area.

Sanctify them by the truth; Your word is truth. John 17:17



July
14

JILIN, CHINA

Father, Christians in Jilin hunger to know You and seek people to help them grow in their faith. Send mature Christians willing to help meet the needs in Jilin. Continually challenge pastors to walk worthy of their calling, and give them wisdom as they lead. Call believers in Jilin to live like Christ and not be distracted by things of the world. As disciples are multiplied, send them out to unreached places in China.

Just one thing: Live your life in a manner worthy of the gospel of Christ... standing firm in one spirit, with one mind, working side by side for the faith that comes from the gospel. Philippians 1:27



July
15

HUI OF HENAN, CHINA

God, we give thanks for the work You are doing among the almost 1 million Hui in Zhengzhou, Henan. We praise You for the first known Muslim Background Believer's Church in this province. Thank You for churches in this area that have a heart for reaching out to their Hui neighbors. We ask for continued favor from the government toward these churches, and that a large missionary movement will spread from Henan over all of China.

He has rescued us from the domain of darkness and transferred us into the kingdom of the Son He loves. We have redemption, the forgiveness of sins, in Him. Colossians 1:13-14



July
16

JIANGMEN, CHINA

Jiangmen, along the coast of Guangdong, is home to millions of overseas Chinese in 107 different countries. Father, we pray for this city with world-wide connections to be connected to You. We pray the people of this ancient city will respond to the gospel and will turn away from family idols and superstitions. Transform their hearts and minds, Lord, and may they follow You, serving You among the nations.

Open their eyes so they may turn from darkness to light and from the power of Satan to God, that by faith in Me they may receive forgiveness of sins... Acts 26:18



July
17

CHENGDE, CHINA

Loving Father, years ago Chengde was a summer mountain resort for emperors. Today many people are attracted to the city for its cool air and lovely scenery. We praise You, Lord, for faithful servants in Chengde who have opened their homes to become churches and training centers. Grow their faith as they make disciples, plant churches, and send missionaries. Give them wisdom and power to reach the summer tourists.

So then neither the one who plants nor the one who waters is anything, but only God who gives the growth. 1 Corinthians 3:7



July
18

TIANJIN, CHINA

Lord, the coastal city of Tianjin offers many opportunities for worship, but less than 1 percent of the people there are Christians. Buddhism, Catholicism, Islam, and worship of the goddess Mazu all compete for control of people's hearts. In this city known as the censorship capital of China, God, You alone offer freedom. We pray Your Word will continue to spread. Awaken hearts to hear Your call, and satisfy longing souls with Your presence.

For He has satisfied the thirsty and filled the hungry with good things.
Psalm 107:9



July
19

NONG ZHUANG OF CHINA

Jesus, only You are the Savior for the nearly 650,000 Nong Zhuang people. Many have never clearly heard the gospel, so they hold on to false beliefs that cloud their thinking and blind their eyes. Help believers proclaim the good news to these rice farmers who love to write songs. Give them open hearts to believe in You and receive eternal life, and may they fill the valleys where they live with songs of praise to You.

“But you,” He asked them, “who do you say that I am?” Simon Peter answered, “You are the Messiah, the Son of the living God!”

Matthew 16:15-16



July
20

FANGCHENGGANG, CHINA

Churches in nearby Beihai and Qinzhou have a vision and a plan to reach Fangchenggang with the gospel. God, go ahead of them and till the soil of the people's hearts. Remove the rocks and prepare a fertile place for the gospel seed to take root. Christians will need leaders, finances, and passion to continue the work. Shower the sent-out ones with blessings as they labor in Your harvest field.

May he be like rain that falls on the cut grass, like spring showers that water the earth. Psalm 72:6



July
21

QI LI OF CHINA

Father, hills and mountains that You created surround the Qi Li people on Hainan Island. But on those hills, they offer sacrifices to the spirits of the mountains and to their ancestors. Reclaim these places for Your name, God. Give the Qi Li a new heart and a new spirit so that the landscape reminds them of Your power over and care for creation. Fill them with the hope that comes from trusting in You.

I lift my eyes toward the mountains. Where will my help come from? My help comes from the LORD, the Maker of heaven and earth. Psalm 121:1-2



July
22

SOUTHERN JIARONG TIBETANS OF CHINA

The land of the Southern Jiarong Tibetans is filled with beautiful towers built to protect them and their territory. As the Jiarong travel to visit the towers, God, may they hear the truth that they can find eternal safety in Jesus. We pray that one day You will be known as the defender of these people. Jiarong women wear pink headdresses and are known for their loveliness. We pray they will know the beauty of God's love and salvation.

The LORD is my rock, my fortress, and my deliverer, my God, my mountain where I seek refuge... 2 Samuel 22:2-3



July
23

JAPAN

Lord Jesus, You came to set the captives free, yet Japanese men and women are held captive by the traditions of ancestor worship and the modern pursuit of materialism. Only You can break the chains that have bound this island nation for many generations. Open the mouths of believers to proclaim Your glory and make them single-minded in their pursuit of You. Awaken churches to dream for You. As the sun rises, let the praises arise as well.

God, my heart is confident. I will sing praises. Wake up, my soul! I will wake up the dawn. I will praise You, Lord, among the peoples...

Psalms 57:7-9



July
24

CANGZHOU, CHINA

Lord, we pray for churches in Cangzhou. They are small and too weak to preach the gospel to the multitudes of people there. There are few full-time ministers to take care of the churches, believers lack leadership training, and many have been deceived by heresy. Cangzhou also has a sizeable Hui population. Lord, revive Your people and position Your church to break down ethnic barriers and bring revival to the city.

So we must not get tired of doing good, for we will reap at the proper time if we don't give up. Galatians 6:9



July
25

UNIVERSITY CITIES IN CHINA

God, many cities in China boast numerous colleges and universities. Students like Simon* are convinced that reliance on self, an opportunity to make money, and success are all one needs in life. Father, many current church leaders came to know You through campus ministry, and they desire to evangelize and disciple a new generation of students. Lead them with Your wisdom, protect their efforts, and bring thousands of young people to You. * name changed

Teach us to number our days carefully so that we may develop wisdom in our hearts. Psalm 90:12

A circular frame showing a person walking on a path through a garden. The path is paved with light-colored stones and is flanked by tall, green hedges. In the background, there are trees and a building. The person is wearing a red jacket and a white umbrella.

July
26

WEIFANG, CHINA

Eric Liddell, the renowned Scottish Olympian, died in a Japanese internment camp in Weifang during World War II, just five months before liberation. His influence was so great that his death left a vacuum in the camp. God, we pray You will be pleased with believers in Weifang as You were pleased with Eric. May he be an example of remaining steadfast under persecution. We pray Christians there will be known for their love and good works.

By this all people will know that you are My disciples, if you have love for one another. John 13:35



July
27

LESU OF CHINA

Lord, the Lesu are a small minority group in southern China that has had very little gospel presence throughout history. Locally they are called Mountain People because they live at high elevations, away from towns and cities. God, please bring the gospel to the Lesu People. Help them know that You are their God, You created the mountains they inhabit, and You love them. Send heralds of this great news to them today.

Turn to Me and be saved, all the ends of the earth! For I am God, and there is no other. Isaiah 45:22



July
28

KHALKHA MONGOLS OF MONGOLIA

Merciful Father, Your Spirit has moved across Mongolia since it opened in 1989, and You have graciously brought 30,000 Khalkha Mongols into Your kingdom. Use the faithful sowing of the gospel on good soil to bring the remaining 2.5 million Khalkha Mongols to saving faith. God, make them a people who worship You alone and forsake the fear-producing religious traditions of Tibetan Buddhism and shamanism.

Still other seed fell on good ground; when it sprang up, it produced a crop: 100 times what was sown. Luke 8:8

A photograph of an elderly man with grey hair, wearing a light blue turtleneck sweater, focused on working with a tool on a mechanical component. The background is a simple, somewhat cluttered workshop or factory setting. The image is partially overlaid by a blue geometric shape on the right side.

July
29

XIANGYANG, CHINA

Oh God, how You love the people of Xiangyang. How eager You are for them to repent, and to come to You with fasting, weeping, and mourning. Even today, You call to them and say, “Turn to Me while there is time. Give Me your hearts.” Lord, break hard hearts in the city of Xiangyang so they may receive the words You are giving them today. Change them from the inside out and send believers to walk alongside them and disciple them.

Even now—this is the LORD’s declaration—turn to Me with all your heart, with fasting, weeping, and mourning. Joel 2:12



July
30

WANZHOU, CHINA

God, help believers in Wanzhou to live rightly. We long to see Your goodness evident there among the people, and we long to see many enter Your kingdom. May Christians be patient as they wait for You to act; may they be courageous as they proclaim Your Word. Help them to rely on You, and You alone, remembering that You are still all-powerful. Your arm still saves and Your ear still hears.

I am certain that I will see the LORD's goodness in the land of the living.
Wait for the LORD; be strong and courageous. Wait for the LORD.

Psalms 27:13-14



July
31

WANNING, CHINA

Wanning is considered the Jerusalem of Christianity for the entire Hainan province. Many pastors and lay leaders from there have been faithful theological students over the past several years. God, we pray these leaders will continue to grow in both personal character and knowledge of Your Word. Give them zeal for Your purposes, a desire for unity, and a holy fear of You. May they always put Christ above traditions.

And whatever you do, in word or in deed, do everything in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through Him.

Colossians 3:17



August
1

STUDENTS OF SOUTH KOREA

Lord Jesus, have compassion upon students in Korea who face enormous social and family pressures to succeed in school and careers. May the Korean church radically influence the older generations to model Christ-like values at home and in society. Bring revival among Korean students, resulting in another wave of Korean Christians obeying the Great Commission mandate to share the gospel boldly and make disciples of the nations.

When He saw the crowds, He felt compassion for them, because they were weary and worn out, like sheep without a shepherd. Matthew 9:36



August
2

CHENGDU, CHINA

Omnipotent Lord, we pray for Chengdu, capital of Sichuan province and famous for pandas and hotpot. Chengdu attracts so many young people who have aspirations of success. God, turn the hearts of youth who believe in themselves to instead fully trust in Jesus. We know that no power can stop You from accomplishing Your will in this city. By Your grace and power, cause the good news to radiate throughout this city for Your glory!

This book of instruction must not depart from your mouth;...carefully observe everything written in it. For then you will prosper and succeed in whatever you do. Joshua 1:8



August
3

YONGNAN ZHUANG OF CHINA

The 2 million Yongnan Zhuang follow the ways of their ancestors as they seek spirits and use divination for answers to life's questions. Some have heard about a man named Jesus, but many are afraid to learn more and risk offending the spirits. Lord, the gospel is reaching them, and some are believing. As a few Yongnan Zhuang radically change and find peace, let their lives be a testimony to the thousands around them who are still lost.

Honor the Messiah as Lord in your hearts. Always be ready to give a defense to anyone who asks you for a reason for the hope that is in you.

1 Peter 3:15

A woman with dark hair pulled back, wearing a purple floral patterned short-sleeved shirt and a pearl necklace. She is standing outdoors in a rural setting with a brick wall and a wooden structure in the background. A motorcycle is partially visible behind her.

August
4

MEIFU LI OF CHINA

God, pour Your grace on the Meifu Li people. The smallest group of Li people on Hainan Island, they have been looked down upon for centuries, causing strife with neighboring villages and a loss of self-worth. Though the older Meifu Li still try to appease the spirits, the younger generation rejects all religion as foolish superstition. Father, show the Meifu Li that You are their God and that they were created to worship and exalt You.

Stop your fighting—and know that I am God, exalted among the nations, exalted on the earth. Psalm 46:10



August
5

HUI OF SHAANXI, CHINA

God, we place the Muslim Hui of Shaanxi province into Your mighty hand and pray for repentance. You created each Hui person and desire to forgive and accept each one. May they find their identity in You, not in their Islamic faith. Touch their hearts, Lord, and reveal Yourself to them. Use visions and Hui believers to help them know and understand Jesus. Set them free from religious expectations and rituals that will not save them.

Disregarding the command of God, you keep the tradition of men.
Mark 7:8



August
6

NANNING, CHINA

Father, You are using the believers in Nanning to show Your love to the poor and oppressed. They have already seen many people come to faith through their social needs ministry. Provide continuous opportunities for them to share the gospel and make disciples. Sustain them financially so they can do the work You have called them to. We pray for mature fruit in this capital city known for its lush green landscape.

The Spirit of the Lord GOD is on Me, because the LORD has anointed Me to bring good news to the poor. Isaiah 61:1



August
7

NGHARI TIBETANS OF CHINA

Merciful Father, the Nghari Tibetans are aware of sin. They have several rituals they believe erase a lifetime of sin, but do not realize these rituals will never cleanse them. Lord, have mercy on them and call them out of the darkness into Your glorious light. Break the hold that rituals have on their lives and make known to them the finished work of Christ. Seeds have been planted in their hearts; Lord, bring the harvest.

But you are...a people for His possession, so that you may proclaim the praises of the One who called you out of darkness into His marvelous light. 1 Peter 2:9



August
8

YANGHUANG OF CHINA

God, we pray the Yanghuang people will call on Your name and be saved. You have always known who they are, even before they were called the Yanghuang. When official records referred to them only as part of a large group called Undetermined Minorities, You knew them by name. But they don't know You. You have blessed them with language ability, so it will be easy for them to hear and understand if they simply seek. Open their eyes, Lord.

They will call on My name, and I will answer them. I will say: They are My people, and they will say: Yahweh is our God. Zechariah 13:9



August
9

DPF: EAST ASIANS IN LAOS

God, Christianity is growing in Laos, but much of the country remains unevangelized. In a land that forbids missionaries, reaching the many tribes and languages will require Christians equipped to help meet needs through humanitarian aid, business, English, and media. We believe East Asian believers are an integral part of this plan. You know who they are, Lord; give them ears to hear You call. We know You will meet their every need.

Now may the God of peace...equip you with all that is good to do His will, working in us what is pleasing in His sight, through Jesus Christ.
Hebrews 13:20-21



August
10

ZHUHAI, CHINA

Heavenly Father, the once sleepy fishing town of Zhuhai is now a top tourist destination in China. Provide opportunities for families moving or visiting there to learn of Your love and salvation. They come seeking economic benefits and a family-friendly environment; may they find You as well. As people hear ancient local legends of gods and mortals, we pray they will hear and believe the true story of Jesus, God incarnate, our Savior.

So they said, “Believe on the Lord Jesus, and you will be saved—you and your household.” Acts 16:31



August
11

PUWA OF CHINA

The Puwa are no longer considered unreached, yet many of them still worship idols such as the mountain and dragon gods. Lord, shine Your light among these humble people. Give Puwa Christians fearlessness and wisdom as they share the good news in dark mountain villages. Let the villagers see Your light and resurrection power through signs and miracles. Nothing is too difficult for You, God.

Yahweh, there is no one like You. You are great; Your name is great in power. Jeremiah 10:6



August
12

TANGSHAN, CHINA

In the industrial city of Tangshan, dark, polluted skies mirror the hearts of many people. Lord, break through the shadows with Your truth. Embolden believers there to share the good news so those in Tangshan will be transformed into Your likeness. Call out people like Paul* who became a believer abroad, came home, and began to lead Bible studies and share the gospel in nursing homes. Bless the work of his hands and allow him to continue. *name changed

For you were once darkness, but now you are light in the Lord. Walk as children of light. Ephesians 5:8



August
13

KUJUKURI, JAPAN

Creator God, You look down and see Kujukuri, a small town located on the eastern coast of Japan. Kujukuri Beach is Japan's second longest, as indicated by its name: "kujuku" means 99, and "ri" is an old unit of measurement. Jesus, in Kujukuri ninety-nine souls out of every 100 are still waiting to hear of the Shepherd who cares for His sheep and who gave His life for them. May the people of this town hear Your call and follow You.

If a man has 100 sheep, and one of them goes astray, won't he leave the 99 on the hillside and go and search for the stray? Matthew 18:12



August
14

CHINESE DIASPORA IN KENYA

Omnipotent Father, break down walls of indifference, atheism, and patriotism and reveal Yourself to the Chinese in Kenya. Whether they come for safaris or work, open their minds in this land with a strong Christian influence. Call biblically-trained pastors to Chinese churches in Kenya, and remind Chinese believers living there of Your command to be salt and light in their communities. Use them to bridge racial tensions with local people.

For His invisible attributes...have been clearly seen since the creation of the world...As a result, people are without excuse. Romans 1:20



August
15

NAR-PHU TIBETANS OF NEPAL

Lord, access to Nar and Phu villages is difficult due to their remoteness and high altitude. Despite the small population and extreme isolation, several prominent Buddhist monasteries have been built in the last fifteen years, but there are no known churches. No Scriptures exist in the Nar-Phu language, though some can read the Tibetan New Testament. God, give Nar-Phu people a dissatisfaction with religion and draw them into a relationship with You.

For the word of God is living and effective and sharper than any double-edged sword...It is able to judge the ideas and thoughts of the heart.
Hebrews 4:12



August
16

CENTRAL LOLOPO OF CHINA

Father God, the deception of the evil one runs rampant among the Central Lolo. Chanting shamans lead superstitious rituals at funerals. Offerings of rice, blood, and alcohol are given to appease false deities. Small effigies of deceased relatives sit in holes cut into walls to keep their spirits safe. Jesus, let Your name lift the veil of darkness that covers their eyes so that they can see the radiance of Your light and truth.

The redeemed of the LORD will return...crowned with unending joy.
Joy and gladness will overtake them, and sorrow and sighing will flee.
Isaiah 35:10



August
17

LHOMI TIBETANS OF NEPAL

The Lhomi Tibetans, a relatively large people group, are spread throughout villages in northern Nepal. Among the Lhomi are several hundred believers and a handful of churches, but Lhomi believers often face severe persecution. God, protect a believer who recently returned to his village to share the gospel. Use him as You used Paul to proclaim the good news and, if he suffers, give him a joy that will testify to Your greatness.

Display the wonders of Your faithful love, Savior of all who seek refuge from those who rebel against Your right hand. Psalm 17:7



August
18

KAMAISHI, JAPAN

Lord, we ask for Your mercy on the people of Kamaishi, a city on the beautiful northeastern coast of Japan. After the devastating earthquake and tsunami of March 11, 2011, this once strong city now struggles to find its purpose. The population is aging and steadily dwindling, as are many towns and villages in Japan. Please bring many to embrace their purpose in life by belief and trust in Jesus.

The Lord does not delay His promise, as some understand delay, but is patient with you, not wanting any to perish but all to come to repentance.
2 Peter 3:9



August
19

ZHANJIANG, CHINA

Lord, tear down the rampant idol worship in Zhanjiang. Guide believers to make a clean break from the cultural relics they have worshipped. May they be salt and light in their communities by sharing the gospel with neighbors and relatives. Strengthen Christian parents in their marriages and their faith. Remind them of the responsibility to model prayer and teach Your Word to their children.

For on that day, every one of you will reject the silver and gold idols that your own hands have sinfully made. Isaiah 31:7



August
20

SENDAI, JAPAN

Lord Jesus, though historically few in number, each generation of Japanese disciples testifies to You and accomplishes much through Your power. Thank You for placing each Sendai resident in a family—both biological and church families. Give each of them a vision of Your desire to provide, protect, and grow them in love for one another. May the people of Sendai gain a deeper understanding of Your thoughts toward them and call out to You.

God provides homes for those who are deserted... Psalm 68:6a



August
21

CENTRAL YONGBEI ZHUANG OF CHINA

Light of the World, we pray for the 646,000 Central Yongbei Zhuang who live in darkness. We long to know that thousands of them will be among the “every nation, tribe, people, and language” that will one day be gathered before Your throne. Gospel seeds have been faithfully planted; God, root these seeds deep in their hearts and water them with Your Word. Bring many new Central Yongbei Zhuang believers into the kingdom.

I looked, and there was a vast multitude from every nation, tribe, people, and language...before the throne... Revelation 7:9



August
22

UTSAT OF CHINA

Lord, draw the Utsat, or Huihui, people near to You. They are the only Muslim community on Hainan Island. Break the chains keeping them enslaved to Islam. Show the Utsat that You are a God who loves them; open their eyes to see that salvation is found in You alone, not in any works that they can perform. In this area often affected by typhoons, let the people see You as the One who calms the storm.

He got up, rebuked the wind, and said to the sea, “Silence! Be still!”
The wind ceased, and there was a great calm. Mark 4:39



August
23

CIXI, CHINA

Cixi, in northern Zhejiang, has a rich heritage. The city is a strong advocate for education and culture and is also home to many kilns, where celadon was produced. God, create a pure heart in Your children living in Cixi and renew a steadfast spirit within them. Give them joy in knowing You, and even greater joy as they share You with others. May they be completely loyal to You and Your kingdom, purified from sin and washed clean.

Yet LORD, You are our Father; we are the clay, and You are our potter; we all are the work of Your hands. Isaiah 64:8



August
24

QINGDAO, CHINA

Qingdao, a beautiful seaside city, has a long church history. Churches there have already begun training and sending workers to other areas of China and around the world. God, we pray this legacy will continue and that many Christians will be sent to unreached people. Unify the churches in Qingdao to accomplish more than they can do alone. Empower them as they form a network to mutually encourage, support, grow, and send.

How good and pleasant it is when brothers live together in harmony!
Psalm 133:1



August
25

ZIBO, CHINA

Father, the industrial city of Zibo, with a history dating back over 2000 years, is known for its contributions in manufacturing, glaze ware, and silk. Lord, we pray the church there will be known as a strong contributor to family values, reconciliation, moral excellence, and incorruptible truth. Protect Your bride as she ministers both locally and beyond. Draw churches in Zibo together in harmony and strength as they work together for the kingdom.

He did this to present the church to Himself in splendor, without spot or wrinkle or anything like that, but holy and blameless. Ephesians 5:27



August
26

SANYA, CHINA

God, we pray for churches from China's mainland to send workers to not only minister to local believers who retire in the island resort city of Sanya, but also to share the gospel with those who don't yet believe. Call and equip many Christians to become missionaries there, sent to serve local church leaders with Christ-centered teaching and leadership training. May best practices be freely shared among churches in Sanya.

All Scripture is inspired by God and is profitable for teaching, for rebuking, for correcting, for training in righteousness. 2 Timothy 3:16



August
27

HUI OF SHANDONG, CHINA

Father, we pray for the Hui people of Shandong. As the city modernizes and westernizes around their small Muslim districts, we pray that Your gospel will take root and spread. Embolden the existing churches in this province to proclaim the good news to their Hui neighbors in contextualized ways. Unveil the eyes of the Hui and turn them from their religious striving and observances to find rest and peace in Jesus.

Through Him to reconcile everything to Himself by making peace through the blood of His cross— whether things on earth or things in heaven.
Colossians 1:20



August
28

QINHUANGDAO, CHINA

Qinhuangdao was a famous gate city defending Beijing and is the starting point of the Great Wall. God, today the Great Wall seems to block the gospel from arriving from more evangelized northeastern provinces. Nevertheless, You have raised healthy churches that earnestly reach out to the city and the many minority groups there. Break down any spiritual resistance, Lord, as You battle for them.

LORD, You are my lamp; the LORD illuminates my darkness. With You I can attack a barrier, and with my God I can leap over a wall.
2 Samuel 22:29-30



August
29

MIANYANG, CHINA

Mianyang, the second-largest city in Sichuan province, is known for technology and is home to China's famous poet Li Bai. God, give this city a reputation for being a place of healing. In the 2008 earthquake, 80 percent of buildings collapsed in one of the rural areas of Mianyang, and at Beichuan High School more than 1000 students lost their lives. Blanket the area with Your Word, which brings life. Give new life to hearts that remain broken.

The Spirit is the One who gives life. The flesh doesn't help at all. The words that I have spoken to you are spirit and are life. John 6:63



August
30

TIANMEN, CHINA

Lord, Tianmen, meaning Celestial Gateway, lies west of Wuhan and is named after the nearby Celestial Gateway Mountains. This city is also known for its contribution to the world's tea culture. Righteous One, we pray for believers to take time over a cup of tea to share the truth about heaven's gate. Help them not be discouraged and dismayed though the work may progress slowly. You are the God who strengthens and You will help them.

The LORD is the One who will go before you. He will be with you; He will not leave you or forsake you. Do not be afraid or discouraged.
Deuteronomy 31:8



August
31

GUIGANG, CHINA

Guigang, with a population over 2 million, is known as Lotus City due to its 300 varieties of lotus flowers. Surrounded by five major cities, Guigang is a transportation hub but remains relatively poor. Savior God, this beautiful place is spiritually needy as well, with less than 0.5 percent of the population knowing You. Quicken the hearts of Christians there to realize the brevity of life and give them an eagerness to make Your ways known.

God our Savior, who wants everyone to be saved and to come to the knowledge of the truth. 1 Timothy 2:3-4



September
1

CUN OF CHINA

Heavenly Father, open the Cun people's eyes to the marvelous gospel and reveal their sin to them. Help them to cast off the chains of ancestor worship and fear of spirits that have kept them from realizing Your truth and turning to You. Grow the few Cun believers in knowledge of You and protect them from persecution. May Your words constantly be on their lips, ready to be shared with others.

Our God is a God of salvation, and escape from death belongs to the Lord GOD. Psalm 68:20



September
2

NORTHERN BAI OF CHINA

Father, we pray that You will guide Northern Bai leaders and believers along straight paths and in the way of wisdom. Lord, please give local brothers and sisters visions that go beyond their own; may they see their churches actively multiplying disciples and growing throughout the neighboring villages. We ask You to call out many more workers to go to these rich harvest fields among the Northern Bai.

You did not choose Me, but I chose you. I appointed you that you should go out and produce fruit and that your fruit should remain, so that whatever you ask the Father in My name, He will give you. John 15:16



September
3

BURYAT OF MONGOLIA

God, 99 percent of the 45,000 Buryat people living in Mongolia have yet to believe in Your name. Creative evangelistic methods are needed to be effective in reaching these geographically-remote places. Strengthen weary pastors as they minister diligently in the churches. Give the church favor in the community and add daily to their numbers those who are being saved. May the revised Bible translation soon be completed.

I satisfy the thirsty person and feed all those who are weak.
Jeremiah 31:25



September
4

MUJI OF CHINA

Lord, sustain faithful evangelists who labor among their Muji neighbors and face constant ridicule and harassment. Empower them and remind them that they are not alone in doing good. Give them favor and allow them to see fruit wherever they minister in the mighty name of Jesus. We are grateful for the Southern Muji who have found new life in Christ and pray they will partner with others to make Your name known to the Northern Muji.

I will be with you when you pass through the waters, and when you pass through the rivers, they will not overwhelm you. Isaiah 43:2



September
5

PINGDI YAO OF CHINA

Lord Jesus, we cry out to You for a movement of the Spirit to begin among the Pingdi Yao. They have been pushed out of their traditional homeland and now live in places that are hard to reach. You have not forgotten them, yet so few of them know You. Legends tell of a Creator God, but they do not know Him. Give those who have believed a burning desire to spread the gospel to other Pingdi Yao. Shelter them as they go out with joy.

But let all who take refuge in You rejoice; let them shout for joy forever. May You shelter them, and may those who love Your name boast about You. Psalm 5:11



September
6

DAEJEON, SOUTH KOREA

Heavenly Father, we lift up to You the many young professionals studying and working in Daejeon, a city known as Asia's Silicon Valley. We pray that they will turn from pursuing only secular success to seek Jesus who is the Way, the Truth, and the Life. Father, bless the seminary in Daejeon to produce many faithful disciples who will commit to being church planters, pastors, and missionaries serving in South Korea and across the world.

Everything is from God, who reconciled us to Himself through Christ and gave us the ministry of reconciliation. 2 Corinthians 5:18



September
7

BOUYEI OF CHINA

The Bouyei people have lived in Guizhou for nearly 2000 years. They are polytheists and hire shamans to cast out demons of illness or bad fortune. The ceremonies often involve risk in order to show the power of the spirits. God, Christians have invested their lives among the Bouyei, but so few have come to faith. Rescue the youth from a lifetime of darkness by planting believers in their midst as they move to the cities for work.

Don't you say, 'There are still four more months, then comes the harvest'? Listen to what I'm telling you: Open your eyes and look at the fields, for they are ready for harvest. John 4:35



September
8

THUDAM TIBETANS OF NEPAL

Lord, reaching the Thudam Tibetans requires several days of intense travel from Kathmandu. There is only one known Thudam believer, and there is no Bible in their local language, but the Thudamba can understand Nepali, so they have access to Scripture. They love to sing and can understand the Christian songs of the surrounding peoples. God, use music to draw them to You; through songs, send the gospel out to every Thudam.

Shout triumphantly to the LORD, all the earth. Serve the LORD with gladness; come before Him with joyful songs. Psalm 100:1-2



September
9

EZHOU, CHINA

Most High God, may those living in Ezhou discover the value of a relationship with You. Once they find this treasure, may they be willing to live for Your kingdom only. Help them let go of anything that might hinder their progress, receiving in return Jesus and eternal life. Though relatively small, this historical port city is known for its more than 50 lakes. May Ezhou also be renowned for its fervent worship of You.

The kingdom of heaven is like a merchant in search of fine pearls. When he found one priceless pearl, he went and sold everything he had, and bought it. Matthew 13:45-46

A photograph showing a group of young adults, both men and women, dancing in a room with a wooden floor. They are dressed in casual to semi-formal attire. The scene is lively and social. The image is partially obscured by a blue diagonal graphic element on the right side.

September 10

KOBE, JAPAN

Young adults in Kobe enjoy going to a monthly party where they can learn Chinese, Korean, or English. An added benefit is hearing the good news. Some of them come to faith, get baptized, and are disciplined. God, we pray that many young Japanese will believe the gospel and experience Your salvation. Plant Your Word deep in their hearts, giving them a foundation that will not be shaken as they face life's challenges.

For I am not ashamed of the gospel, because it is God's power for salvation to everyone who believes, first to the Jew, and also to the Greek. Romans 1:16



September
11

THE BAONUO OF CHINA

Conquering King, the Baonuo, or White Trousers Yao, wear white pants cut off at the knees. These are adorned with red stripes resembling handprints to symbolize their former king's heroic fight to protect his people. We pray that many Baonuo people will hear of Your sacrifice that gives them the promise of eternal life. May You become their strength, their song, and their everlasting King.

The LORD is my strength and my song; He has become my salvation.
The LORD is a warrior; Yahweh is His name. Exodus 15:2-3



September
12

MAONAN OF CHINA

God, You long for the Maonan to dwell in Your presence. They lived many years in villages with only kerosene lamps for light and no roads to the outside. When streets and schools were built, their lives became rich in comparison to their former existence. Yet there is greater wealth in knowing Your light and path. Some have received the gospel and had their hearts changed. Work through them to bring salvation to many more Maonan people.

Your word is a lamp for my feet and a light on my path. Psalm 119:105



September
13

DPF: EAST ASIANS IN NEPAL

Lord, Nepal's main religion is Hindu, but Christianity is growing. One of the poorest countries in the world, Nepal is known for its spectacular mountains. Over half of the people in Nepal are unevangelized, and social needs are great: child labor, poverty, and lack of sanitation are major issues. God, use Chinese believers to minister to neighboring Nepal. Equip them with language skills and endurance. Unify Christians to do Your will.

On that day people will throw their silver and gold idols, which they made to worship, to the moles and the bats. Isaiah 2:20



September
14

PUNING, CHINA

Puning City received international attention in 2010 when nearly 10,000 women were punished for violating the then one-child policy. God, when fears threaten to overcome, You are still a strong fortress. May thousands in Puning know You as Lord and understand that You are greater than the fear inside of them or the enemy outside of them. May Your church there be a haven for hurting hearts and a comfort to those who grieve.

The LORD is my light and my salvation—whom should I fear? The LORD is the stronghold of my life—of whom should I be afraid? Psalm 27:1



September
15

EASTERN YONGBEI ZHUANG OF CHINA

God, like so many unreached people, the 700,000 Eastern Yongbei Zhuang live in darkness. They bear the burden of their sin and try to make things right by worshipping the spirits, hoping they have done enough to be righteous. May gospel seeds that have been sown take root, resulting in new believers among the Eastern Yongbei Zhuang. Open the eyes of their hearts to see the glory of Christ. Bring them out of darkness into Your light.

Now this is the message we have heard from Him and declare to you: God is light, and there is absolutely no darkness in Him. 1 John 1:5



September
16

CHINESE DIASPORA IN THE UAE

Lord of the nations, we pray Chinese believers in the United Arab Emirates will understand that they have been scattered to serve an eternal purpose in the expansion of Your kingdom. Give them compassionate hearts for the lost in the UAE, as well as for those in China. May church leaders be prepared and eager to equip those who come to the UAE for long or short-term assignments, so they too can join the work there.

But as for you, be serious about everything, endure hardship, do the work of an evangelist, fulfill your ministry. 2 Timothy 4:5



September
17

CENTRAL TAIWAN

Loving Heavenly Father, we praise You for all that You are doing in Taichung and Central Taiwan. We are thankful You choose to bring glory to Yourself through the people, churches, and cross-cultural workers there. Strengthen pastors to lead their sheep, encourage Christians to share the gospel, and equip missionaries to love, serve, and exhort the believers in Taichung. May Your name be known by all throughout this area.

Therefore encourage one another and build each other up as you are already doing. 1 Thessalonians 5:11



September
18

TOKPEGOLA (TOKPIA) TIBETANS OF NEPAL

Lord, like many Himalayans, fear of evil spirits enslaves the Tokpia people. Demon possession is common, causing dependence on lamas to “free” them. Many choose suicide to escape their pain. Most are unaware that only Jesus can break the chains that bind them. God, we pray the Tokpia will call to You for freedom and find true liberty. May believers share without ceasing; may they be known throughout Nepal for their faith, drawing many to Christ.

The LORD opens the eyes of the blind. The LORD raises up those who are oppressed. The LORD loves the righteous. Psalm 146:8



September
19

FUKUOKA, JAPAN

Fukuoka's commute times are the shortest among Japan's metropolitan areas. Lord, may people use this extra time to ponder spiritual things. Bring entire families to an understanding of eternal life and forgiveness of sins. We pray they will repent, believe, and become Your light for others to see. Fukuoka means Hill of Blessing, and we pray You will bless churches with strong practices that produce a multitude of healthy disciples.

Light shines in the darkness for the upright. He is gracious, compassionate, and righteous. Psalm 112:4



September
20

SUIZHOU, CHINA

In 1978, a set of 65 bronze chime bells were unearthed in Suizhou. Believed to be 2500 years old, they still make beautiful music today. These bells are national treasures and are considered a high musical achievement from their time period. Eternal Father, establish Your church throughout Suizhou. Let the joyful music of Your people sound forth without hindrance, and may Your Word be honored and treasured above all else.

Before the mountains were born, before You gave birth to the earth and the world, from eternity to eternity, You are God. Psalm 90:2



September
21

XIANTAO, CHINA

Heavenly Father, Xiantao is sometimes called the home of gymnasts, as several of China's well-known Olympic medal gymnasts are from there. Though the city's name means Heavenly Peach, only 1 percent of the people there know much about You. In centuries past, traveling missionaries passed through, but none settled down. Lord, establish Your name in this city. May Xiantao be known as the home of faithful kingdom workers and missionaries.

Long ago You established the earth, and the heavens are the work of Your hands. Psalm 102:25

A photograph of an elderly woman with short grey hair and glasses, wearing a grey sweater, lighting several white candles. She is holding a red lighter. The room has a white bookshelf filled with books, a window with light-colored curtains, and a chair with a floral arrangement on it. The scene is dimly lit, suggesting an evening or indoor lighting.

September
22

OTSUCHI, JAPAN

Otsuchi, a small town in Japan's northeast, was devastated by the massive earthquake and tsunami of March 11, 2011. Lord of the harvest, we thank You for those who have chosen to follow You in the wake of this double disaster. We beg You, Jesus, that the good news that You are Lord will bring healing and hope to the brokenhearted who still live without faith in You. Your will is that none in Otsuchi should perish.

Hallelujah!...He heals the brokenhearted and binds up their wounds.
Psalm 147:1a, 3



September
23

ZIGONG, CHINA

Father of lights, Zigong is known for its colorful lantern festivals and its history of salt production. Yet so few people walk in the brightness of Your presence. We praise You for the good work You have begun there. We plead that the light of Your glory will shine brightly through Your believers. Empower them so that Jesus's love and truth permeate this Sichuan city and spread to every dark corner of the world.

You are the light of the world. A city situated on a hill cannot be hidden. No one lights a lamp and puts it under a basket, but rather on a lampstand... Matthew 5:14-15



September
24

MINYAK TIBETANS OF CHINA

Creator God, at the base of Mount Gongga, the tallest mountain in Sichuan Province, lie some of the most remote villages in China. In these villages are found the Minyak Tibetans. If someone is lost, injured, or stranded here, the Tibetan search and rescue expert who comes in is usually Uncle Potch*. Uncle Potch has heard the gospel many times but has yet to repent and believe. God, there are no known Minyak believers. Bring Uncle Potch to faith and use him to bring the gospel to his people.
*name changed

For You, Lord, are kind and ready to forgive, rich in faithful love to all who call on You. Psalm 86:5



September
25

GUIPING, CHINA

Guiping is primarily known as the home base of the 1850 Taiping Rebellion, a civil war that claimed the lives of 20 million people. God, the leader of this rebellion claimed to be Jesus's brother. Is it any wonder that today, believers in Guiping number only 0.4 percent? May this city become known as for its proper teaching of Your Word and the harmony that exists among believers. Their history can't be changed, but You can rewrite their future.

Be diligent to present yourself approved to God, a worker who doesn't need to be ashamed, correctly teaching the word of truth. 2 Timothy 2:15



September
26

LUFENG, CHINA

Lord, Lufeng has a reputation as a drug production capital. At one time it was estimated to produce one-third of the crystal meth nationwide. In some areas of the city, 20 percent of homes were involved in the production. God, rescue the people of Lufeng from this stronghold of money and drugs. Come in power and change their reputation. May Lufeng be known as a city of honor, a city of God. Call the people to Yourself and save them.

You will no longer be called Deserted...Desolate; instead, you will be called My Delight is in Her, for the LORD delights in you... Isaiah 62:4



September
27

NEIJIANG, CHINA

Neijiang, known as the sugar capital of Sichuan, is nicknamed Sweet City. As in many Chinese cities, plans are underway to make it more beautiful and livable. Lord, people in Neijiang enjoy life with no thought of eternity. Just like in Noah's time, people are oblivious to the danger ahead. If no one tells them, how will they know? Give believers hearts of compassion as they look out on the lost sheep who are in desperate need of a Shepherd.

They didn't know until the flood came and swept them all away. So this is the way the coming of the Son of Man will be. Matthew 24:39



September
28

LIUZHOU, CHINA

Remains from some of the earliest humans in East Asia were unearthed in Liuzhou. The city dates back to 111 B.C. and is known for coffins said to preserve the body after death. Creator God, You alone are the beginning of life, and You are sovereign over death. In Christ, we need not worry about our bodies decaying after death. Awaken hearts in this city where less than 0.1 percent of the people know You. Take away the sting of death.

Death has been swallowed up in victory. Death, where is your victory?
Death, where is your sting? 1 Corinthians 15:54b-55



September
29

JIANYANG, CHINA

Loving Father, unlike most city districts in China, Jianyang's rural population far exceeds its urban population. With Jianyang's convenient access to Chengdu, people from the city often weekend in this lovely country setting. Lord, awaken churches from the big city to the needs of Jianyang. Burden them for the women housed in the provincial prison there and lead them to pray and fast about reaching out to the people in this part of Sichuan.

Isn't the fast I choose: To break the chains of wickedness, to untie the ropes of the yoke, to set the oppressed free, and to tear off every yoke?
Isaiah 58:6



September
30

BEILIU, CHINA

Lord, Beiliu is located in a hilly area of Guangxi province, and Christians there daily witness Your beautiful handiwork. Yet only a handful of churches exist in this city of 1.5 million people. Savior God, in a place known for ceramics production, mold Your people into proclaimers of Your truth. Let their lives display the joy of their salvation. May they find rest in You and be steadfast when the inevitable opposition comes.

I am at rest in God alone; my salvation comes from Him. He alone is my rock and my salvation, my stronghold; I will never be shaken.

Psalm 62:1-2

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October
1

NAXI OF CHINA

God of grace, the Naxi people of Lijiang historically have been steeped in animism. In recent years, they have become increasingly secular due to the tourism industry and the prosperity and worldliness it has brought to the area. Of the more than 320,000 people scattered in the city and in the mountainous regions beyond, less than 1 percent follow Christ. Lord, move among these people, break through hardened hearts, and change lives through Your gospel.

He saved us—not by works of righteousness that we had done, but according to His mercy, through the washing of regeneration and renewal by the Holy Spirit. Titus 3:5



October
2

HAINAN, CHINA

Hainan, whose name means South of the Sea, is China's smallest and most southern province. The people there, called Hainanese, are known for longevity. 1,500 centenarians live there. God, may their strength last as long as their days, and may their days be lived for You. May they become a light to other people groups living near them. As Christians display Your love toward others, may this island be known for its gospel witness.

Love the Lord your God with all your heart, soul, and mind. This is the greatest and most important command...Love your neighbor as yourself.
Matthew 22:37-39



October
3

MOSUO TIBETANS OF CHINA

Oh Lord, there is no known gospel work occurring among the isolated Mosuo Tibetans. In this matriarchal society, bring men to faith in You and teach them to be godly leaders. As the Mosuo Tibetans gather around their hearths, may the worship of You replace the worship of ancestors, and prayers of praise replace prayers to spirits. In a society that practices the adoption of children, show them how all can become Your sons and daughters.

He predestined us to be adopted through Jesus Christ for Himself, according to His favor and will. Ephesians 1:5



October
4

KOREAN MISSION PROGRAMS

Almighty God, we pray for many young Korean Christians to volunteer with the Korean mid-term mission programs. Grant them wisdom as they learn the local language and culture, and boldness to share the gospel. May they experience You more personally and grow deeper in their faith. Give them Your heart for the lost and help them to be willing to obey Your calling to take the gospel to unreached peoples all over the world.

Your people will volunteer on Your day of battle. In holy splendor,
from the womb of the dawn, the dew of Your youth belongs to You.

Psalm 110:3



October
5

SOUTHEASTERN LUOLUOPO OF CHINA

Savior God, of the more than 50,000 Southeastern Luoluopo people, there is not a single known believer. With no Scriptures or gospel recordings in their heart language, it will be difficult for them to come to You on their own. God, break our hearts over their lostness. Call out from among us those who will labor in prayer for the souls of the Luoluopo, as well as those who will go tell them of Your great love for them.

I speak the truth in Christ—I am not lying...I have intense sorrow and continual anguish in my heart. Romans 9:1-2



October
6

LUPANSHUI MIAO OF CHINA

Holy God, the Lupanshui people worship spirits, but they are not particularly religious. They are hardworking farmers who have a different language and customs from other Miao groups. Often their young people move to the cities looking for work and a better life. There, influenced by the world, many abandon the beliefs of their parents and grandparents and turn to atheism instead. Father, they need the gospel to set them free.

I was sought by those who did not ask; I was found by those who did not seek Me. I said: Here I am, here I am, to a nation that was not called by My name. Isaiah 65:1



October
7

NAGASAKI, JAPAN

Great Shepherd who gave His life for His sheep, most people remember Nagasaki as the second site of the atomic bombings that ended World War II. But Nagasaki is also known for a 16th-century tragedy: it was the city where Japan's first Christians were martyred for their faith. Father, thank You for believers who are willing to forfeit their lives for You. Raise up a generation of saints who will gladly pay the ultimate price for their beliefs.

For whoever wants to save his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life because of Me will find it. Matthew 16:25



October
8

SANI OF CHINA

Lord, the Sani people of southern China tell a story about young love, tragedy, and the rainbow. They don't know the rainbow is a symbol of Your covenant, and most will spend their lives never knowing You. Father, release them from the animistic rituals and spirit worship that hinder them from knowing You. Reveal Your truth to them, and replace their fear of spirits with a peace that only comes from You.

I will walk freely in an open place because I seek Your precepts.

Psalm 119:45



October
9

KUNMING, CHINA

Father, move in a mighty way in Kunming, the capital of China's Yunnan province. Saturate this city and beyond with the good news as it spreads among the 7 million people of different ethnicities who live there. Burden the hearts of the Christians in Kunming to take the gospel to the many unreached people groups throughout the province. In this city nicknamed Eternal Spring, may people grab hold of Your promise of eternal life.

Declare His glory among the nations, His wonderful works among all peoples. 1 Chronicles 16:24



October
10

HELAMBU SHERPA (YOLMO) OF NEPAL

God, You are moving among the Yolmo people, but strong resistance remains. Yet Yolmo believers continue to share Christ and start churches. Lord, Tibetan Buddhist lamas have vowed to keep Christianity away by expelling and banning anyone sharing the gospel in Helambu. Protect Yolmo Christians who share and make disciples among their own people. Bring Bible translation work to completion and call leaders to faithfully gather believers to worship.

And let us be concerned about one another...not staying away from our worship meetings...but encouraging each other... Hebrews 10:24-25



October
11

CHINESE MALAYSIANS IN KUALA LUMPUR

Gracious Lord, we pray for the Chinese Malaysians in Kuala Lumpur. Most are Taoist and have placed their hopes for the future in being faithful to their ancestors. Despite Your blessings of education and wealth, many have turned money into an idol. Use Baptist churches there to share the gospel and plant more churches. Grow the church in both depth and reach and instill in believers' hearts a passion to share the gospel.

No longer will one teach his neighbor or his brother, saying, "Know the LORD," for they will all know Me, from the least to the greatest of them...
Jeremiah 31:34



October
12

DPF: EAST ASIANS IN ROMANIA

Lord of the nations, as East Asians travel to Romania for work, they will certainly be exposed to the gospel. But what will they hear? In a country with a high percentage of Christians, there is often little prayer, a lack of unity, and a blending of religions. God, we pray for revival among Your children in Romania. Pave the way for East Asian believers to partner with Romanian Christians as they start churches that will reach the lost.

Many nations will come and say, “Come, let us go up to the mountain of the LORD, to the house of the God of Jacob. He will teach us about His ways so we may walk in His paths.” Micah 4:2



October
13

OKAYAMA, JAPAN

Okayama, halfway between Osaka and Hiroshima, is home to over 700,000 people, less than 0.4 percent of whom are Christians. God, break through generations of tradition and cause people there to seek Your truth. Continue to add new believers to the small Baptist church there, expanding its reach and influence in the city. Shine through them to illuminate the dark places of Okayama and bring many to faith as You are glorified in them.

Then the righteous will shine like the sun in their Father's kingdom.
Matthew 13:43



October
14

LINGAO OF CHINA

Lord, we praise you that the Lingao people in Hainan now have an audio Bible in their heart language. Challenge Christians to find ways to put Your Word into the hands of each Lingao person. Prepare their hearts to receive the gospel. As lives are changed, send Lingao believers to the far reaches of the island, turning the land upside down with the good news and bringing revival again to this land.

“These men who have turned the world upside down have come here too...They are saying that there is another king—Jesus!” Acts 17:6-7



October
15

EASTERN JIARONG TIBETANS OF CHINA

Father, the Eastern Jiarong are devout Buddhists who live high on the mountains. They have a long history of large temples, pilgrimages, and prayer wheels. Many people travel to these famous temples to pray and seek answers. God, reveal Yourself to the Eastern Jiarong. They search for peace, the forgiveness of sins, and the promise of a good afterlife. Open their eyes to see that You are the only source of peace, forgiveness, and eternal life.

My flock went astray on all the mountains and every high hill. They were scattered...and there was no one searching or seeking for them.

Ezekiel 34:6



October
16

DONGFANG, CHINA

Oh Lord, we long for the day when people throughout Hainan Island are convicted of sin and ask, “What shall we do?” We pray for pastors in Dongfang who have faithfully studied over the last few years. As they proclaim Your Word, may it cut to the heart and cause non-believers to be convicted of sin, repent, and be baptized. Call new laborers to partner with them and give them a zeal for doing good. May Your praises echo through the mountains.

When they heard this, they came under deep conviction and said to Peter and the rest of the apostles: “Brothers, what must we do?” “Repent,” Peter said to them, “and be baptized...” Acts 2:37-38



October
17

LINYI, CHINA

Sovereign God, Linyi is known for its wholesale markets, with one of the largest such markets in China located there. We praise You that many Christians live there as well. God, provide effective discipleship in this city that is transitioning to a major urban center of trade and industry and grow Your children in their faith. Bring churches together for evangelistic activities and give leaders a vision for reaching the people of Linyi and beyond.

Therefore, we are ambassadors for Christ, certain that God is appealing through us. We plead on Christ's behalf, "Be reconciled to God."
2 Corinthians 5:20



October
18

GA MONG OF CHINA

Author of life, the Ga Mong people desperately need to discover new life in You. Impoverished and powerless as a people, they are also spiritually barren. There are no known believers among them. The Ga Mong work hard not to offend their ancestors, but never consider their offense to You, their Creator. Turn their altars into holy places of worship to You, the one true God. Shine in their darkness, Lord, and lead them into Your light.

All things were created through Him, and apart from Him not one thing was created that has been created. Life was in Him, and that life was the light of men. John 1:3-4



October
19

LIANYUNGANG, CHINA

All-knowing God, help believers in Lianyungang to always be willing to preach, correct, and encourage others with Your Word. Though some will not want to hear, may Your people still share the truth. Help pastors in Lianyungang to speak Your words even if people only want to hear what is pleasing to their ears. Take away the spirit of fear when Christians are ridiculed or persecuted. May they consider it all joy to suffer for You.

Proclaim the message; persist in it whether convenient or not; rebuke, correct, and encourage with great patience and teaching. 2 Timothy 4:2



October
20

LANGFANG, CHINA

Langfang is located between two megacities, Beijing and Tianjin. Many people live there because of the relatively cheaper cost of living. Lord, Langfang is a hub for Christian activity, but heresy is common. We pray pastors will be grounded in Your Word and always preach the truth. Many believers chase the god of money like other Chinese people. Send good teachers to churches to help them stand firm on biblically-sound ground.

My eyes pour out streams of tears because people do not follow Your instruction. Psalm 119:136



October
21

NAWA SHERPA (NAABA) OF NEPAL

Reaching the Naaba people requires days of strenuous hiking. Due to their remoteness and lack of adequate healthcare, even simple illnesses and injuries can prove dangerous. There are a few believers, but no church or Naaba Bible. God, we pray the Naaba will be known across Nepal for their love and worship of Christ. Establish churches in their villages where they can worship together and bring people to help with Bible translation.

God, be exalted above the heavens; let Your glory be over the whole earth.
Psalm 57:11

A photograph of a person with long dark hair, wearing a white t-shirt and dark shorts, sitting on a chain-link fence. The fence is supported by two stone pillars. The background is a calm body of water under a grey, overcast sky. The image is partially obscured by a green diagonal graphic element on the right side.

October
22

CHENZHOU, CHINA

God, how wonderful are Your ways! Thank You for the promise that in Christ there is no longer condemnation, but instead, there is life and peace. We pray Your Word will penetrate the lives of those in Chenzhou, and that they will see the dangers of being dominated by the flesh. We can't rescue them, but You can. Lord, through Your Word, through the lives of Your people there, help them to know Your truth before it is too late.

Therefore, no condemnation now exists for those in Christ Jesus.
Romans 8:1

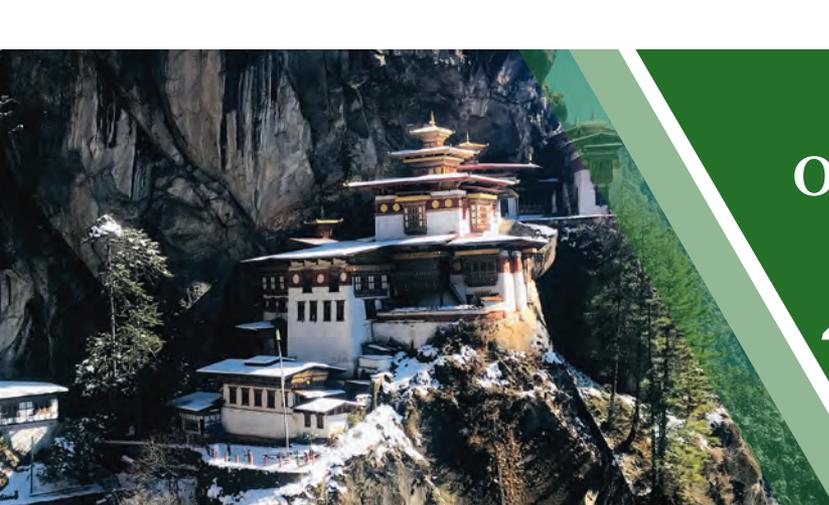


October
23

ZOUCHENG, CHINA

Holy God, many people have been influenced by the Chinese philosopher Mencius, who was born in Zoucheng. He believed that we are innately good and are negatively influenced by society. Help people there to break free from this false teaching and understand that none of us will ever be good enough to enter Your kingdom. Let them know that Jesus is the only way to eternal life; lead many to turn from their human ways and follow Him.

For all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God. Romans 3:23



October
24

TIBETANS IN BHUTAN

Loving Father, Tibetan refugees in Bhutan were displaced in the mid-20th century, and their descendants have had little opportunity for education. As exiles, their Tibetan identity is important, and they fear losing that distinctiveness. God, give them ears to hear Your good news; quicken their hearts to believe. May Tibetans in Bhutan embrace a kingdom identity that surpasses being Tibetan, and may they find their home in You, spiritual refugees no longer.

So then you are no longer foreigners and strangers, but fellow citizens with the saints, and members of God's household. Ephesians 2:19



October
25

LILING, CHINA

Yahweh, the majority of people in Liling are atheists. They don't know You are a compassionate and gracious God. Help them to break the cycle of disobedience and seek Your forgiveness. Let this be the beginning of a generation that knows the unfailing love and faithfulness that You generously lavish upon us. In this city known for presidential ceramics and fireworks, may You be welcomed with celebrations and shouts of joy.

Yahweh is a compassionate and gracious God, slow to anger and rich in faithful love and truth. Exodus 34:6



October
26

WUWEI, CHINA

Lord of heaven and earth, people in Wuwei understand that a good environment is key to growing crops. Because of consistent sun and fertile soil, agriculture is a major industry there. We pray for Christians to sow seeds widely, gather the harvest, and disciple new believers in a community environment. Many major transportation lines pass through the area on the way to Central Asia; may a gospel influence spread from Wuwei to other countries.

As he sowed, this occurred: Some seed...fell on good ground and produced a crop that increased 30, 60, and 100 times what was sown. Mark 4:4-8

A large crowd of people is gathered around a large bronze statue of Mao Zedong. The statue is standing on a dark red pedestal. The background is filled with green trees and a clear sky. The scene is outdoors, and the crowd consists of people of various ages and ethnicities, many of whom are looking towards the statue.

October
27

ZUNYI, CHINA

God, open the eyes of those in Zunyi to see You as the One to follow. Tourists go there to photograph the meeting hall where Mao Zedong, a leader whom people gave their lives for, was first elected to head the Communist Party during the Long March. Help them know that in Christ, there is hope for the future, newness of life now, and eternal life tomorrow. May they be willing to lay down their lives to follow You.

Teach me Your way, Yahweh, and I will live by Your truth. Give me an undivided mind to fear Your name. Psalm 86:11



October
28

LIANJIANG, CHINA

Savior, we pray for rejoicing to come to the people of Lianjiang because they have finally come to know Your salvation. They do not live in remote areas or speak an unknown language, and yet few have heard the gospel. Father, send people to tell them that You are with them, that You love them, and that You are mighty to save. Take away their fears and bring them peace. May Lianjiang know the delight of knowing You.

Yahweh is among you...He will rejoice over you with gladness. He will bring you quietness...He will delight in you with shouts of joy.
Zephaniah 3:17



October
29

GAOZHOU, CHINA

Creator God, thank You for continuing to work in us. Remind Christians in the city of Gaozhou that You are still at work in their lives and the lives of other believers. You are faithful to finish what You have begun, no matter how long it takes. As Your people share and see others come to faith, may they be patient, knowing that You will continue to work in these new believers until the work is finished.

I am sure of this, that He who started a good work in you will carry it on to completion until the day of Christ Jesus. Philippians 1:6



October
30

HECHUAN, CHINA

Lord, You watched history unfold as battles were fought, and Hechuan was established. Centuries later, it was absorbed into the metropolis of Chongqing and now holds 1.5 million souls. However, Christians are still so few they could fit into a mid-sized church building. Lord, bring good news to this city-district and let Your Word transform Hechuan. Grow Your church from this handful of believers, and may their hearts be completely Yours.

For the eyes of Yahweh roam throughout the earth to show Himself strong for those whose hearts are completely His. 2 Chronicles 16:9



October
31

ZHOUKOU, CHINA

Unchanging Father, as China's cities rise and fall in importance, You remain the same. Zhoukou at one time was a place of prominence, but as nearby cities like Wuhan grew, this smaller city faded from view. Yet the people there are still important to You. Call believers in Zhoukou to fervently pray and widely proclaim Your name, leaving no one untouched by Your Word. May they remember that what is planted today may take root and grow tomorrow.

He then told them a parable on the need for them to pray always and not become discouraged. Luke 18:1



November
1

GUIBIAN ZHUANG OF CHINA

Merciful Father, darkness has covered the Guibian Zhuang people like a thick cloud. They stumble in the shadows, yet they don't perceive the darkness. Lord, You tell us that where there is truth, there is freedom. We ask You to rise up on behalf of the Guibian Zhuang people and pierce their darkness with Your glory. Open their eyes, draw them to Your light, and show them true freedom. May the leaders from this area acknowledge You as Lord of lords.

For look, darkness covers the earth, and total darkness the peoples;
but the LORD will shine over you, and His glory will appear over you.
Isaiah 60:2



November
2

TIBETANS IN INDIA

The Dalai Lama fled Tibet in 1959; since then, over 100,000 Tibetan refugees have followed and scattered across India. Though not in physical danger, they live in bondage to Tibetan Buddhism. The presence of the Dalai Lama, the spiritual leader of the Tibetan people, reinforces this stronghold. Lord above all, Tibetans in India fear the spirits, so they depend on their spiritual leaders. Cast out fear as they trust in You.

God is our refuge and strength, a helper who is always found in times of trouble. Therefore we will not be afraid... Psalm 46:1-2



November
3

BENDI LI OF CHINA

Gracious Lord, put a new song in the hearts of the Bendi Li people living on the island of Hainan. They have lived for generations in bondage to their animistic beliefs, trapped in a cycle of fear as they endlessly try to appease their local deities and idols. Replace this spiritual oppression and fear with the songs of hope and joy that come from knowing You. Let Your glory reign among the Bendi Li.

Sing a new song to the LORD; sing His praise from the ends of the earth, you who go down to the sea with all that fills it, you islands with your inhabitants. Isaiah 42:10



November
4

NORTHERN MASHAN MIAO OF CHINA

Most High God, the Northern Mashan Miao offer sacrifices to various spirits they think live high on the mountains, believing these offerings will protect them. When Christianity came to other Miao groups in the 20th century, the Northern Mashan Miao were left untouched. They live a life of fear, not knowing of the One who offers freedom. God, may they hunger for You so that when the good news reaches their villages, they will receive the truth and be set free.

You will know the truth, and the truth will set you free. John 8:32



November
5

SHUI OF CHINA

Loving Father, the family clan is very important to the Shui people, and ancestor worship is considered their main religion. This stands in the way of them following Christ, as they believe doing so would be an insult to their ancestors. Lord, gospel materials exist in the Shui language, and at one time there were thousands of believers. Revive them, Lord, that they may once again follow You and sing Your praises.

You, God, showered abundant rain; You revived Your inheritance when it languished. Psalm 68:9



November
6

CHINESE DIASPORA IN FRANCE AND EUROPE

Lord God of heaven and earth, we lift up to You the Chinese diaspora in France and Europe. In a land of freedom and secularism, they do not naturally turn to You, finding contentment instead in worldly things. May Your Spirit convince them of sin, of righteousness, and of judgment. May the Chinese diaspora turn from darkness to light, and then shine forth Your light in these lands of spiritual lostness.

For this is what the Lord has commanded us: I have made you a light for the Gentiles to bring salvation to the ends of the earth. Acts 13:47



November
7

NAHA, OKINAWA, JAPAN

Okinawa's culture and people are unique among Japan's historical heritage. From the tropical atmosphere to the large presence of US military bases, this place is different from any other in Japan. Lord, we pray that Japanese and international churches in Naha City and the surrounding area will continue to show Your love to the people there. May they demonstrate a spirit of love as they work together for Your kingdom.

Do not owe anyone anything, except to love one another, for the one who loves another has fulfilled the law. Romans 13:8



November
8

DPF: EAST ASIANS IN THE SUDAN

King of kings, Chinese-Sudanese relations have existed for over 60 years. Sudan's location is an important connection in China's Belt and Road Initiative that will link Asia, Europe, and Africa. Christianity has grown in Sudan, but many challenges still exist, such as pastoral training and healing from war and persecution. God, as Christian East Asians travel there to work, equip them and give them a willing heart to help train in needed areas.

He personally gave some to be apostles, some prophets, some evangelists, some pastors and teachers, for the training of the saints in the work of ministry, to build up the body of Christ. Ephesians 4:11-12



November
9

AZHE OF CHINA

Almighty God, please protect the Azhe people from the many cults that operate in southern China. Cults can be relentless in their attacks and clever with their words. Help believers to know Scripture well, to be faithful to obey, and to pass it on to young Christians. Holding fast to Your Word is the only way they can separate the truth from the lies and ensure a lasting Christian witness. Help them to worship You in spirit and truth.

Do not fear, for I am with you; do not be afraid, for I am your God. I will strengthen you; I will help you; I will hold on to you with My righteous right hand. Isaiah 41:10



November
10

NORTHERN JIARONG TIBETANS OF CHINA

Faithful Father, the road is long and steep that leads to the Northern Jiarong people in the mountains of northern Sichuan. These loving and faithful people welcome outsiders and enjoy conversations and games. God, they have not yet heard the gospel in their language. They are devout Buddhists, but we pray for the day they will call upon You. First, they must hear, which means someone must go. God, provide translators and evangelists to live among them.

Go to your people, the exiles, and speak to them. Tell them, 'This is what the Lord GOD says,' whether they listen or refuse to listen. Ezekiel 3:11



November
11

HUI OF YUNNAN, CHINA

Lord, You know the history of the 700,000 Hui of Yunnan and the lack of religious freedom they have endured. Known to the majority Han Chinese for their halal barbecue, Father, we pray they will one day be known for their faith in Jesus. We pray they will see You as a good Father, who loves them and desires to have a personal relationship with them. Help them to turn from the darkness of Islam toward the light and salvation of Christ.

As long as I am in the world, I am the light of the world. John 9:5



November
12

FUNABASHI, JAPAN

Funabashi is a commuter city near Tokyo known for its massive malls. God, You see the hearts of the people as they seek to ward off misfortune and wish for happiness by holding festivals. They carry mikoshi, portable shrines, and parade them around the community, attempting to make peace with the gods. Merciful Lord who gives grace, bless the people of Funabashi with eyes to see Christ. Give them changed hearts that obey You.

“Lord,” they said to Him, “open our eyes!” Moved with compassion, Jesus touched their eyes. Immediately they could see, and they followed Him. Matthew 20:33-34



November
13

CONA MONBA OF CHINA

Omnipresent God, You have unhindered access to the Cona Monba people of China, but we have no access. Many have never even heard of them; few have ever prayed for them. The Cona Monba religion is a mix of Tibetan Buddhism and shamanistic rituals. They believe demons carry diseases, and that sacrificing livestock will satisfy the demon and end the sickness. Lord, put gospel recordings into their hands and send Christians to disciple them.

You know when I sit down and when I stand up; You understand my thoughts from far away. Psalm 139:2



November
14

JIANGJIN, CHINA

Jehovah God, You have blessed many people in Jiangjin with a long life, and this city is known for its numerous centenarians. Some credit this to the local agriculture, claiming it has cancer-preventing ability. God, Your children there have been running long and hard. May they be faithful their whole lives until they reach the finish line. Help them run steadily toward the goal and receive the crown of righteousness that awaits them.

I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, I have kept the faith.
There is reserved for me in the future the crown of righteousness...

2 Timothy 4:7-8



November
15

SOUTHERN QIANDONG MIAO OF CHINA

During the annual Worship the Door Festival, the Southern Qiandong Miao close the door at sunset and sacrifice a female pig. Someone then stays up all night praying to the door to keep away sickness and all harm. Jesus, open their ears to the truth that You alone are the door, and You alone will save them. Call the few Southern Qiandong Miao believers to pray for and go to their neighbors who do not yet believe, pointing them to You.

I am the door. If anyone enters by Me, he will be saved and will come in and go out and find pasture. John 10:9



November
16

WEIHAI, CHINA

Jesus, as believers in Weihai face persecution, we pray they will not waver. As internationally-based cults try to infiltrate and destroy congregations, plant believers' feet firmly on Your Word so they will remain immovable. If a church in Weihai is closed, open two more in its place; if a group is shut down, begin ten more elsewhere. Multiply discipleship efforts so that more people can be involved in building Your kingdom.

I have told you these things so that in Me you may have peace. You will have suffering in this world. Be courageous! I have conquered the world.
John 16:33



November
17

YICHUN, CHINA

God, You are not unknown in Yichun, where more than 1 percent of the population is Christian. In this city whose name means Pleasant Spring, many believers be known for the love and harmony among them. You command us to live in peace and to be holy. Help believers in Yichun to not follow worldly ways, but to be holy and set apart for You. May they let go of any bitterness before it grows roots and causes division.

Pursue peace with everyone, and holiness—without it no one will see the Lord. Make sure that...no root of bitterness springs up, causing trouble and by it, defiling many. Hebrews 12:14-15



November
18

WUCHUAN, CHINA

In the coastal city of Wuchuan, several languages are commonly spoken. Wise Father, You give knowledge and satisfy in us what is lacking. We pray believers in Wuchuan will realize that they do not need perfect language skills to proclaim salvation. You will do extraordinary things through ordinary people. May they spend time with You and seek Your greatness, that others will see You in them and will praise Your name alone.

When they observed the boldness of Peter and John and realized that they were uneducated and untrained men, they were amazed and recognized that they had been with Jesus. Acts 4:13



November
19

GUANGYUAN, CHINA

God of heaven and earth, as Christians in Guangyuan look at the stars, may they reflect on how great and awesome You are. When they are weak, remind them of Your power; when they lack understanding, remind them Your wisdom is beyond comprehension. Reassure believers in Guangyuan that You are still in control. May they not be discouraged by what they lack, but rather focus on all that You provide.

He counts the number of the stars; He gives names to all of them. Our Lord is great, vast in power; His understanding is infinite. Psalm 147:4-5



November
20

SUINING, CHINA

God, You bestow abundant joy upon Your children. May believers in Suining daily find delight in Your Word. In this area of forests and rivers, may they be like trees planted by the river, bearing fruit each season, even as they grow old. May young and old declare, “The Lord is just! He is my rock.” As Christians testify to Your greatness in the various seasons of life, through persecutions and governmental restrictions, may they draw many to You.

The righteous thrive like a palm tree...They will still bear fruit in old age... to declare: “The LORD is just; He is my rock...” Psalm 92:12-15



November
21

FUZHOU, CHINA

Jehovah God, Jiangxi's Fuzhou City is one of many with historical and commercial importance. We pray this city will be known for faithful Christians who do not waste time, but who diligently obey Your Word. May they not deceive themselves by only listening. Give them obedient hearts that demonstrate great love for You. As they walk in obedience, we know they will be blessed with Your presence and Your peace.

But be doers of the word and not hearers only, deceiving yourselves.
James 1:22



November
22

HUAZHOU, CHINA

Almighty God who calms the storm, fill Huazhou with the knowledge of Your power and glory. Give Your people there the determination to fearlessly proclaim Your truth. In this coastal city where typhoons and storms are frequent visitors that cause loss of life and property, may people come to know You as their protector, strong tower, and shelter in the storm. Fill churches with families who will wholeheartedly follow You.

But He said to them, “Why are you fearful, you of little faith?” Then He got up and rebuked the winds and the sea. And there was a great calm.
Matthew 8:26



November
23

JIASOU OF CHINA

Lord, reveal Yourself to the Jiasou people. Long ago they worshiped an all-powerful god, but over the centuries lost their connection to him. Instead, they now try to appease evil spirits that harass them. With no known believers among the Jiasou and few among their neighbors, they continue to search. Burial ceremonies reflect the desire to send souls back home, but they remain unaware that Jesus is the only way back to the true all-powerful God.

LORD, who is like You among the gods? Who is like You, glorious in holiness, revered with praises, performing wonders? Exodus 15:11



November
24

TUSU OF CHINA

Father, the Tusu understand the need to be cleansed from sin, and they observe a ceremonial washing which they believe cleanses the past year's sins. They long to be freed from evil, so they continue their traditions. Very few Tusu people are Christians, but You have provided a gospel aid in their language. We pray this tool will be widely used, and the Tusu will know that their sins indeed can be washed away through the blood of Jesus.

But if we walk in the light as He Himself is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus His Son cleanses us from all sin. 1 John 1:7

A photograph of a man with dark hair, wearing a brown jacket over a white shirt, holding a baby in his arms. They are standing in a field with a blurred background of hills and trees. The image is partially overlaid by a green diagonal graphic element.

November
25

XIJIMA OF CHINA

Unchanging One, the Xijima people are becoming like the culture around them, holding on to few traditions that distinguish them as unique. Even their language is nearly extinct. Scripture is available, yet no Christians or churches exist among them. God, until someone goes to show them a better way, Xijima will continue to be influenced by an atheistic society that views religion as backward or foolish. Send messengers to share Your wisdom and hope.

Instead, God has chosen what is foolish in the world to shame the wise,
and God has chosen what is weak in the world to shame the strong.
1 Corinthians 1:27



November
26

XUANWEI, CHINA

Lord of life, impress upon believers in Xuanwei the urgency of sharing the good news there. This city, with above-average lung cancer rates, does not have the luxury of waiting. Coal mines in Xuanwei, which are a source of income, are also a source of death as indoor burning of coal has led to high cancer rates. We give thanks that awareness has caused this trend to start reversing in recent years; even so, there is no time to waste.

You, indeed, have made my days short in length, and my life span as nothing in Your sight. Yes, every mortal man is only a vapor. Psalm 39:5



November
27

LIUYANG, CHINA

God of joy, firecrackers are often used for celebrations in China such as weddings, moves, and Lunar New Year, with the loud noise thought to scare away evil spirits. Lord, how wonderful it would be if new believers were celebrated with these large and noisy festivities: a declaration to the world of their salvation. Fireworks and firecrackers originated in Liuyang, Hunan; let believers there loudly celebrate their faith and share it with others.

I tell you, in the same way, there is joy in the presence of God's angels over one sinner who repents. Luke 15:10



November
28

YONGZHOU, CHINA

Merciful Father, You promise a new life to those who come to You. You say You will cleanse people from sin and idols. We pray believers in Yongzhou will allow nothing to become an idol in their lives, not success, money, position, or power. For those who do not yet believe, we pray they will be cleansed from all impurity. May they follow Your Spirit and walk in Your ways. May thousands more in Yongzhou become children of the Living God.

I will also sprinkle clean water on you, and you will be clean. I will cleanse you from all your impurities and all your idols. Ezekiel 36:25

A photograph of a man with short black hair, wearing a red jacket over a white shirt, with his right arm raised in a gesture of praise or prayer. The background is blurred, showing other people in a church setting. The image is partially overlaid by a green diagonal graphic element.

November
29

XINGNING, CHINA

Jesus tells us that a severed branch produces no fruit. God, we ask You to water, prune, and shine Your light upon believers in Xingning, that they will remain strong and fruitful. Though few in number, may Christians there be rooted in You, always quick to confess, repent, and obey. May they love others as You have loved them, testifying to the change You made in their lives and producing much fruit.

Every branch in Me that does not produce fruit He removes, and He prunes every branch that produces fruit so that it will produce more fruit. John 15:2



November
30

LAIBIN, CHINA

Lord of all, like many cities in Guangxi, Laibin is filled with various ethnicities, each possessing a unique culture. God, we pray for a kingdom culture to prevail in Laibin. Bring people together in worship from various tribes and languages, showing the world how in Christ we are one body. This city of 1.3 million people has so few Christians, but You can do mighty things through those who are committed to You. Multiply the work of their hands.

You are all sons of God through faith in Christ Jesus. You...have put on Christ like a garment. There is no Jew or Greek...for you are all one in Christ Jesus. Galatians 3:26-28



December
1

HA LI OF CHINA

Our Father in heaven, although the Ha Li people are the largest unreached group on Hainan Island, some among them have put their trust in You. May they be students of Your Word, able to separate truth from heresy and withstand cultish teaching. Bring more Ha Li souls into the kingdom, Lord, and use them to take Your salvation to other Li people, setting them free from the idols they worship.

The kingdom of heaven is like yeast that a woman took and mixed into 50 pounds of flour until it spread through all of it. Matthew 13:33



December
2

EAST ASIAN DIASPORA

Lord, we are grateful for the East Asian diaspora churches planted among people of many cultures and ethnicities around the world. We ask You, Lord, to open their eyes, minds, and hearts to the people around them, most of whom are in desperate need of the good news of the gospel. Embolden these East Asian believers to share Your love and truth with their own children and when visiting their home countries.

We always pray for you that our God will consider you worthy of His calling, and will...fulfill every desire for goodness and the work of faith.

2 Thessalonians 1:11



December
3

YOKOHAMA, JAPAN

Magnificent Father, a major turning point in Japanese history took place when Yokohama opened its doors to outside influence. The city quickly became the base of foreign trade in Japan. Jesus, we pray that You will continue to knock on the doors of the hearts of those in this city and that many will open their lives to You and invite You in. Give believers there an unhindered boldness to share Your Word and expand Your influence in this city.

I know your works...I have placed before you an open door that no one is able to close. Revelation 3:8



December
4

PINGDU, CHINA

In 1885 Lottie Moon, aged 45, moved to Pingdu to evangelize full-time. Pingdu is now a large, bustling city, and the needs for evangelism and discipleship still exist. Eternal God, Your church there continues to grow, reaching beyond the city limits to other places to take the good news. For more than 100 years, the church has withstood opposition and persecution. Continue to use Your people in Pingdu to send missionaries to an unreached world.

LORD, Your testimonies are completely reliable; holiness is the beauty of Your house for all the days to come. Psalm 93:5



December
5

HEISHUI TIBETANS OF CHINA

God Who Sees, a poor, traveling preacher shared the gospel with a Heishui student who believed. At first, her boyfriend mocked and beat her for her new faith, but after seeing her remain faithful to God, he later became a believer. Now husband and wife with a toddling son, they are the first Christian Heishui family. Father God, let this family honor You with their lives, share the gospel, and draw others into the kingdom for Your glory.

Therefore, whether you eat or drink, or whatever you do, do everything for God's glory. 1 Corinthians 10:31



December
6

PANXIAN NASU OF CHINA

God, pour out Your blessings on the Panxian Nasu people of Yunnan and Guizhou provinces by sending them the good news. They live tucked away in mountain villages and small towns that are not easy to access. Call nearby believers into these areas to spread the truth of Christ. Soften people's hearts so Your message will fall on fertile soil, then help it to spread throughout this isolated place.

All the earth will worship You and sing praise to You. They will sing praise to Your name. Psalm 66:4



December
7

AXI OF CHINA

Heavenly Father, there are few believers among the Axi people that live among the mountains of southern China. Plant them by streams of water so they will bear fruit in season and out. Impress upon their hearts the need and the joy of sharing the gospel with those around them. Protect them from those who would want to harm them. When they are persecuted, give them the words to say and the determination to remain unwavering.

And God is able to make every grace overflow to you, so that in every way, always having everything you need, you may excel in every good work. 2 Corinthians 9:8



December
8

TAKASAKI, JAPAN

Jehovah God, Takasaki is notable for its huge white Goddess of Mercy statue, which overlooks the city. Many people love this goddess because they believe she hears their requests. Lord, we ask that the people of Takasaki will know that all who trust in man-made objects will be disappointed. We pray that they will all come to know You, the Living God, who sees and hears, and who reaches out to sustain.

They have mouths but cannot speak, eyes, but cannot see. Psalm 135:16



December
9

PINGXIANG, CHINA

In 2015 Pingxiang, a city surrounded by mountains, became an experimental sponge city. Developing drainage and better absorption for rainwater transformed this city from a flood zone into an economic zone. God, when Your Word floods an area, there is no damage. We pray for Christians in Pingxiang to absorb Your Word like a sponge, then to flood their neighborhoods with this good news.

The LORD sat enthroned at the flood; the LORD sits enthroned, King forever. Psalm 29:10



December
10

ERSU OF CHINA

Eternal God, the Ersu people are nominal Tibetan Buddhists. Neighboring areas have had some gospel activity, but few attempts have been made to reach the Ersu. There has never been a known church among them. The Ersu try to live virtuous lives, hoping they will someday reincarnate to a better position in their next life. God, may they find a joyful life today by trusting in Jesus and gaining eternity with You.

And this is the promise that He Himself made to us: eternal life.

1 John 2:25



December
11

FENGCHENG, CHINA

Fengcheng, meaning City of Abundance, needs Your abundant love, Lord. Remind believers there of Your faithfulness that reaches to the clouds and Your righteousness that is as high as the mountains. When troubles come, may they take refuge in You. Christians are only 1 percent of the population in Fengcheng; preserve them and their witness. Give churches there a vision to multiply themselves and expand their reach.

They are filled from the abundance of Your house; You let them drink from Your refreshing stream, for with You is life's fountain. In Your light we will see light. Psalm 36:8-9



December
12

XINYI, CHINA

Lord, how happy people in Xinyi could be if they would trust in You. Open their eyes to see Your wonderful works. Only 0.2 percent of the people there know and follow You; may they be obedient to do Your will, not causing anyone to stumble because of a poor witness. Let their songs and praises draw many to You. We pray for opportunities for youth in Xinyi to hear and believe, that they will have hope in You all the days of their lives.

Be a rock of refuge for me, where I can always go...Deliver me...from the grasp of the unjust and oppressive. You are my hope, Lord GOD, my confidence from my youth. Psalm 71:3-5



December
13

DPF: EAST ASIANS IN UZBEKISTAN

Loving Father, Uzbekistan is a Muslim nation, and Islam is the fastest-growing religion there. The capital city, Tashkent, is the Islamic capital of Central Asia. Lord of lords, we praise You that, despite difficulties and persecution, Christianity is growing in Uzbekistan. Heal relationships among Christians and use East Asian believers to help them see beyond their cities. May their zeal for You overshadow any inconvenience they suffer.

Because of Him I have suffered the loss of all things and consider them filth, so that I may gain Christ and be found in Him, not having a righteousness of my own from the law, but one that is through faith in Christ—the righteousness from God based on faith. Philippians 3:8b-9



December
14

CHANGSHU, CHINA

Changshu, meaning Always Ripe, has fruitful harvests. But God, in this city of 1.5 million people, 99 percent still do not know or follow Jesus. Many there speak the Wu dialect, which is common in the area. We pray mature Christians will take the gospel to those who have not heard, using whichever language is needed. Lord, dispatch Your people to communities and rural areas to proclaim the good news. Use the church in Changshu to reap a great harvest.

They sow fields and plant vineyards that yield a fruitful harvest.
He blesses them, and they multiply greatly. Psalm 107:37-38



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December
15

WENDENG, CHINA

Heavenly Father, You are the strength and delight of Christians in Wendeng. Though persecution and trials may bend them, they will not break because they are planted in Your truth. Give them joy beyond measure as a testimony to those who would want to cause them harm. As the faith of believers in Wendeng is tested, bring them through the fire pure and holy, set apart for You.

Consider it a great joy, my brothers, whenever you experience various trials, knowing that the testing of your faith produces endurance.

James 1:2-3



December
16

LEIYANG, CHINA

Creator God, You have gifted the Chinese in abundant ways, and ancient China has brought us the inventions of the compass, gunpowder, paper, and printing. Leiyang is home to the inventor of paper. How grateful we are to have access to Your printed Word, but not everyone in Leiyang does. Lord, grant them access to the Bible, that they may read and be convicted of sin. Prepare believers there to receive the harvest.

Come, let us return to the LORD. For He has torn us, and He will heal us; He has wounded us, and He will bind up our wounds. Hosea 6:1



December
17

EASTERN QIANDONG MIAO OF CHINA

Father, the Eastern Qiangdong Miao, also known as the Eastern Hmu, were impacted by the gospel in the early 1900s, and many came to faith. However, persecution and martyrdom put fear and resistance into the hearts of the people instead of making the church stronger. God, reveal Yourself to the Eastern Qiangdong Miao. Remind them of their ancestors' faith in You and replace their fear with Your presence. A faithful remnant remains; use them for Your glory.

How happy is the man who does not follow the advice of the wicked... Instead, his delight is in the LORD's instruction, and he meditates on it day and night. Psalm 1:1-2



December
18

TIBETANS IN NEPAL

In Nepal, Tibetan refugees live in settlements near Nepal's two largest cities, Kathmandu and Pokhara. The reasons for their resettlement from Tibet create an environment of spiritual isolation as they hold onto their culture and lifestyle. Tibetan Buddhist beliefs run deep, and the lamas hold control over the people. God, they have churches and Bibles available, but distrust outsiders. May local believers shine Your light among them.

I, Yahweh, have called You...and I will hold You by Your hand. I will keep You and appoint You to be a covenant for the people and a light to the nations. Isaiah 42:6



December
19

GUANG`AN, CHINA

Lord, Guang'an is the birthplace of a modern Chinese hero, Deng Xiaoping, who is credited with the opening-up of China and the creation of "socialism with Chinese characteristics." God, this blending of ideologies benefitted China, but Your Word cannot be changed to fit the world's thinking. May believers in Guang'an embrace the pure gospel, not one altered to agree with societal or government views. Strengthen their resolve and keep them steadfast.

Every word of God is pure...Don't add to His words, or He will rebuke you, and you will be proved a liar. Proverbs 30:5-6



December
20

LIANYUAN, CHINA

Father, only one of every 300 people in Lianyuan knows You. It is difficult to live differently when you are such a minority. Believers there try to live righteously, but occasionally fail. May they desire to let go of all that does not please You. Inspire Christians to live in a way that draws others to the gospel. Though few in number, may they reflect Your glory to those who don't yet know You as they confess regularly, pray earnestly, and love deeply.

Therefore, confess your sins to one another and pray for one another, so that you may be healed. The urgent request of a righteous person is very powerful in its effect. James 5:16



December
21

JINZHOU, CHINA

Father, let praises ring out in Jinzhou as Your people remember all You have done. As they gather together to praise Your mighty deeds, move in the hearts of their children. Give them a hunger for You alone and help them to stand strong. This northeastern part of China has had generations of Christians, and we pray today's children will lead tomorrow's church. We know You will be faithful to them; we ask for their unwavering faithfulness to You.

My soul, praise Yahweh, and all that is within me, praise His holy name... do not forget all His benefits. He forgives...He heals...He redeems...He satisfies... Psalm 103:1-5



**December
22**

TAISHAN, CHINA

Lord, Taishan's resident population and overseas population are almost equal. God, we pray for this city that has so much outside influence.

Returned Taishanese have made significant contributions to education and sports, yet there has been little Christian influence. God, call Christians abroad to come back for the sake of the gospel. Education cannot give them eternal security nor provide an anchor for their souls; only You can.

We have this hope as an anchor for our lives, safe and secure. It enters the inner sanctuary behind the curtain. Hebrews 6:19



December
23

ZHANGJIAKOU, CHINA

Called the Pearl of the Great Wall, Zhangjiakou was an ancient military stronghold. In 2022, it will be a host city for the Winter Olympics. Zhangjiakou is also a crucial transportation hub due to its proximity to Beijing and two provinces. Lord, You are not without a witness in Zhangjiakou; cause Your name to be known. As You work through local believers, may their gentleness and love testify to the power of Christ in them, leading many to You.

I will cause your name to be remembered for all generations; therefore the peoples will praise you forever and ever. Psalm 45:17



December
24

JINGZHOU, CHINA

Ancient of Days, the ruins of five ancient cities can be seen in Jingzhou, along with over 800 tombs, including those of 18 kings. God, kings and kingdoms will come and go, but You remain forever. Ruins may reveal our past, but You hold all history in Your hand. We pray for Your presence to fill modern-day Jingzhou. Break through walls of indifference and flood this city with Your Spirit. May a Christian legacy be birthed that lasts for generations to come.

As for man, his days are like grass...But from eternity to eternity the LORD's faithful love is toward those who fear Him. Psalm 103:15-17



December
25

CHRISTMAS IN EAST ASIA

Thank You, Father, for students who hear about You through holiday presentations in East Asia. Opportunities exist annually to tell thousands of students about Jesus's birth, life, death, and resurrection. Amazingly, many have never heard that Jesus Christ is the reason for Christmas. Move in mighty ways, Lord, and continue granting opportunities to share the good news in schools. Open new doors that Your truth may enter through.

We...must tell a future generation the praises of the LORD, His might, and the wonderful works He has performed. Psalm 78:4



December
26

HANI OF CHINA

Faithful Father, the 1.8 million Hani people are among the least assimilated of the 55 ethnic minorities in China. They are known for their terraced rice fields and tea, including pu'er tea. God, though the Hani live in remote areas, they are not beyond Your sight. Revive Hani believers and send them to other villages. Raise leaders who faithfully pastor and disciple. As Hani people work their fields, fill their mountains and valleys with songs of praise.

Come, let us shout joyfully to the LORD, shout triumphantly to the rock of our salvation! Psalm 95:1



December
27

ZIYANG, CHINA

All-knowing God, Ziyang has a population of nearly 1.3 million people, yet few people have heard of it. It has no famous past, no well-known sites or monuments. Father, You don't care about the history or fame of a city; You care about the hearts of its people. We pray for believers in Ziyang to lead exceptional lives and so testify to Your presence in them. May they be humble and faithful followers, exemplary employees, and ideal neighbors, bringing glory to You.

Mankind, He has told you what is good and what it is the LORD requires of you: to act justly, to love faithfulness, and to walk humbly with your God.

Micah 6:8



December
28

BIJIE, CHINA

Creator God, beautiful scenery and a mild climate welcome those who visit Bijie. In this land of rivers and mountains, so many will admire the beauty of creation without ever thinking about the Creator. Lord, awaken their hearts to know Your truth. Let those who thirst find lasting refreshment in Your living waters rather than in the temporary satisfaction they find in traditional rituals. Unite the many ethnicities of Bijie together in Christ.

But whoever drinks from the water that I will give him will never get thirsty again—ever! In fact, the water I will give him will become a well of water springing up within him for eternal life. John 4:14



December
29

SHE OF CHINA

Lord, most She people today live in Fujian province. Few speak the She language, preferring instead to use Mandarin, Hokkien, or Hakka, all of which have gospel materials. Yet the She remain unreached with the gospel. God, the She love to sing as they farm, and they ask visitors to sing when arriving in their villages. Send neighboring believers carrying songs of praise to You into She villages to share the good news. May She people learn to glorify You in song.

Sing a new song to the LORD; sing to the LORD, all the earth. Sing to Yahweh, praise His name; proclaim His salvation from day to day.

Psalm 96:1-2



December
30

TU OF CHINA

The Tu, farmers in Qinghai province, mainly adhere to Tibetan Buddhism, but a few are Christians. Due to Chinese influence, they also worship gods of wealth, the kitchen, and family. Most High God, Tu love to entertain guests, thinking they bring good luck with them. What blessings they would have if, when entertaining Christians, they turned from their ways and began to follow You. Commission nearby Christians to plead with the Tu and share Your joy with them.

Don't neglect to show hospitality, for by doing this some have welcomed angels as guests without knowing it. Hebrews 13:2



December
31

EAST ASIAN PEOPLES

Lord Most High, on this last day of the year, we join our voices with other believers to worship You in our homes, across the nations, and throughout East Asia. Be exalted, O God; be praised in our lives, in our churches, and among all East Asian Peoples. Shine through Your children, Father, and set their nations ablaze with Your glory. May believers reflect Your light so that many will see and be transformed into Your glorious image

We all, with unveiled faces, are looking as in a mirror at the glory of the Lord and are being transformed into the same image from glory to glory.
2 Corinthians 3:18

WHAT'S NEXT?

Thank you for spending this time with us in prayer for the East Asian people. We realize that as you have prayed, God may be nudging you to a deeper involvement. Here are some additional websites and emails that can help you take the next steps.

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