

# Prayer Guide

July 15 to Aug 14, 2020

"Therefore I want the men everywhere to pray,  
lifting up holy hands without anger or disputing."  
(1 Timothy 2:8).

## July 15 – Satkhira District, Bangladesh

Two months ago a terrible destructive tropical cyclone hit Bangladesh. More than 500,000 people lost their homes in this catastrophe. The Coronavirus restrictions are complicating matters for accommodating victims in evacuation shelters. Please keep the victims of Cyclone Amphan in your prayers today.

## July 16 – Democratic Republic of Congo (DRC)

There were recently two vicious attacks in the north-eastern parts of DRC. These violent attacks have been ongoing for years. Please keep these vulnerable villages in your prayers. People who know Jesus Christ do not violently kill other people. Pray that these violent attackers will be reached with the Gospel in some miraculous way.

## July 17 – Macomia, Mozambique

Over the past two years more than 1,100 people have been killed in brutal Islamic attacks in the northern parts of Mozambique. These believers urgently need your prayers. Please intercede for these victims today.

## July 18 – Rwanda

Continue to pray for the victims of the floods in Rwanda. Farms, roads and houses were swept away by landslides. People are terrified, traumatized and left with nothing. Please intercede for these victims today – pray that they will find their hope in Jesus.

## July 19 – Laos

Laos is one of the last communist countries in the world. Even though Christianity is recognized and accepted by the government, pastors and believers experience daily persecution. Pastor Fatee\* was harassed, arrested and fined for carrying a Bible. Please keep him and other believers in Laos in your prayers today.

## July 20 – Kenya

Kenya was hit by three terrible catastrophes. First a plague of locusts destroyed thousands of acres of crops. The Coronavirus led to a lockdown in the country which led to thousands of families starving. Last, there were terrible floods in Kenya which left thousands of people without shelter. Please pray for pastors and their families who are suffering.

## July 21 – Cairo, Egypt

Pastor Saeed passed away recently. He was a true follower of Christ and planted more than 50 churches in his lifetime. His obedience to God made a huge impact and led hundreds to Christ. Pray that pastor Saeed's legacy will continue to grow in Egypt. Pray that the

pastors and student pastors will continue with the work that pastor Saeed started.

## July 22 – Maharashtra, India

The lockdown had horrific consequences for the pastors in Maharashtra. They could not have church meetings or earn a living, and struggled to feed their families. Please pray for a new direction from the Lord for the ministry after the lockdown is lifted.

## July 23 – Uganda

Uganda is one of the countries in the world with the most refugees – more than 1,400,000 refugees mainly from South Sudan and Democratic Republic of Congo. Please pray that pastor Charles will be able to continue with Harvesters Ministries training real soon. He started a program where Harvesters pastors share the Gospel with refugees. Pray that refugees will hear the Gospel and turn to Christ.

## July 24 – Global

Millions of people across the globe continue to live in fear over the Coronavirus. Intercede for every person who is currently living in fear. Pray that they will guard their hearts and trust the Lord.

## July 25 – Harvesters Ministries

Pray for the organisation as a whole as well as all Harvesters Ministries staff. Pray for protection in every area – cybercrime, social media platforms, fake news during this pandemic and also in their personal lives. Psalm 46:1 "God is our refuge and strength, an ever-present help in trouble."

## July 26 – Peru

Peru had an extended state of emergency – it lasted for three and a half months. Hundreds of thousands of people lost their jobs and are really struggling. The already high poverty levels are rising drastically. Continue to pray for Peru.

## July 27 – Ghana

The lockdown in Ghana has been eased out. Those who were left without income were able to open their shops again. Unfortunately, churches were not allowed to open up at all during the lockdown and also not immediately after the lockdown. Pastors are struggling and cannot earn a living. Please pray for them.

## July 28 – Guatemala

Millions of people in Guatemala are starving, they are dependent on the government and other charities for food parcels. Continue to pray for pastor Hugo as he goes out to encourage his congregations. Many of these pastors have lost their livelihoods and are in dire need of food for their families.

## July 29 – Mozambique

Pastor Armindo has done great work at reaching pastors and their families with donated food parcels during this pandemic.

Hundreds of pastors and their families are starving as a result of the Coronavirus. Praise the Lord that it was possible with the help of generous donors to reach families in need. Pray that God will open the way for Harvesters Ministries to reach even more needy families.

#### July 30 – Middle East

The Islamic festival, Eid al-Adha, starts this evening and lasts until the evening of August 3rd. This festival celebrates Abraham's obedience to offer his son Isaac. Pray that Muslims in the Middle East will have the opportunity to have a true encounter with Jesus Christ. Pray that they will be saved.

#### July 31 – United Kingdom

The Harvesters Ministries Training Department is currently training new Harvesters Licensed Trainers (HLT's) in the UK. Pray that these trainings will bear much fruit. Praise the Lord for the use of technology in these unprecedented times where travelling is prohibited.

#### August 1 – Uttar Pradesh, India

Believers in Uttar Pradesh really need your prayers during this pandemic. Pray for the teams in the field who are going out to do outreach programs. Pray that pastors in India will find a way to share the love of Jesus Christ with unbelievers.

#### August 2 – Burundi

A country once torn apart by a brutal ethnic civil war was restored. Their president was a man of God who arranged prayer meetings and tried to restore peace to his country. Unfortunately, Burundi's president, Mr. Pierre Nkurunziza, passed away early in June. Pray that his successor will continue to lead the country in a Godly manner.

#### August 3 – Harare, Zimbabwe

The nationwide lockdown has been extended indefinitely in Zimbabwe. President Emmerson Mnangagwa has many tough decisions to make. His country has been hit hard by poverty and it has a poorly equipped health system and will not be able to handle a Coronavirus outbreak. Pray that God will grant him wisdom.

#### August 4 – Brazil

Brazil's Coronavirus infections have skyrocketed – hospitals and health care givers are under immense pressure. President Jair Bolsonaro has very difficult decisions to make. He is risking people's lives by not implementing social distancing, but if he does not open the economy the entire Brazilian population can continue to suffer and face starvation. Please keep this country leader in your prayers today.

#### August 5 – Uttar Pradesh, India

Pastors and student pastors could not send their children to school due to the lockdown. Pray that God will guide them and their children during this time. Pastor Jahi\* has 35 student pastors under his leadership. Pray that the student pastors and their congregation members will grow strong in their faith even though they cannot experience regular fellowship.

#### August 6 – Lilongwe, Malawi

Pastor Johannes from Lilongwe needs your prayers. He needs wisdom to support his congregation as they fear the increase in Coronavirus infections in their country. Pray that Pastor Johannes will be a true instrument of God and calm his student pastors and congregation members.

#### August 7 – Amazon Region, Brazil

There is great concern over the drastic pace at which the Coronavirus is spreading among the people of the Amazonas. Continue to keep these precious people in your prayers. Pray for their protection and pray that God will guide local pastors with much needed wisdom.

#### August 8 – Benguela, Angola

Pastor Frederico Prego has planted more than 50 churches in his community. He has also trained student pastors for each of these churches. His community is terrified. The military is everywhere. Innocent people have been threatened and one even fatally shot for not wearing a face mask. (Source: [www.aljazeera.com](http://www.aljazeera.com)). Pray that Pastor Frederico will continue to encourage his community, student pastors and congregations during this pandemic.

#### August 9 – Daveyton, South Africa

Danie van Vuuren, a Harvesters Licensed Trainer (HLT), started with Harvesters training in Daveyton township earlier this year. Due to the national lockdown in South Africa it has not been possible for Danie to continue with this training. Pray that the pastors who started their training will stay motivated and continue to live out Jesus' love in their crime stricken area.

#### August 10 – Dodoma, Tanzania

Churches have reopened in Tanzania. Praise the Lord that believers are able to experience fellowship once again. Continue to pray for pastor Jesse as he encourages and supports pastors, student pastors and their families during this pandemic.

#### August 11 – Addis Ababa, Ethiopia

Pastor Getahun is the lead pastor at the Emmanuel United Church. He is passionate about church planting and leading lost souls to Christ. Pray that God will use him to reach the hopeless during this pandemic. Ask the Lord to help pastor Getahun to lead many unbelievers to Christ during this uncertain time.

#### August 12 – International Youth Day

The youth of the world desperately need you to intercede for them today. More than 152 million children are victims of child labor. 115 Million young people between the ages of 15 and 24 are illiterate. More than 600 million of the world's youth live in fragile and conflict-affected countries. It is estimated that more than 1 billion children between the ages of 2 and 17 have experienced physical, sexual or emotional abuse in the past year. Please pray for the protection and safety of the youth today. (Sources: [www.ilo.org](http://www.ilo.org); [www.data.unicef.org](http://www.data.unicef.org); [www.un.org](http://www.un.org); [www.who.int](http://www.who.int)).

#### August 13 – Kitwe, Zambia

A group of 31 pastors have planted 135 churches in the Kitwe region. Pray that this group of pastors will stay motivated to continue with their church planting efforts despite the lockdown in their country. Pray that God will truly bless them.

#### August 14 – Andhra Pradesh, India

Pastor \*Vakul's wife is experiencing health complications due to kidney stones. Please keep Pastor Vakul's wife in your prayers today. Ask the Lord to heal her and support their family through this trying time. 🙏