

JULY PRAYER CALENDAR

**Representative names used for security reasons*



Photo: Yasin holding a cross necklace in Iraq*

YEMEN

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Pray with the church in Yemen that's suffering amid bombings, hunger and the severe lack of medical care and educational opportunities. Pray they will "run and not be weary, walk and not faint" (Isaiah 40:31).

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A Yemeni Christian shared his prayer request: "Pray that God would provide so that we'll be able to continue to stand with the church in the coming year."

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Christians in Yemen are bold. Pray for those who are courageous enough to bring people to their houses to worship. Pray for their protection and discernment.

BANGLADESH

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Ask God to provide for your brother Raju and his family. When Raju chose Jesus, his employer said it was his faith or his job. Ask God to help Raju find alternative ways to earn an income.

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Pray that through Raju's situation, God will make him and his family stronger and they will find their hope in Him.

SYRIA

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Since the fall of the Asaad regime in late 2024, Christians don't know what to expect from the new authorities. Pray for believers ... that the Lord will help them grow into His witnesses.

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Pray for churches that opened their doors for converts from a Muslim or Druze background in the past years. Pray for church leaders' wisdom and insight in this new political situation.

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Thank God that in the past years, many Kurdish Muslims in northeast Syria became followers of Jesus. Pray that the Lord will give them what they need to grow in their faith.

CENTRAL ASIA

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Pray with your brother Karim* who has lost his wife, children and could be losing the home he built—because of his decision to leave Islam and follow Jesus. Ask God to be ever-close.

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Pray for Karim's perseverance. Because there are several Christians in his village, Karim continues to stay to support them. Pray also for his deteriorating hearing.

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Praise God for summer youth camps offered by Open Doors local partners. These gatherings bring together young people facing opposition for their faith. Camp participant Emma shares: "A lot has changed in me. I carry the love of Christ in my heart."

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Praise God for a ministry couple who used an Open Doors micro credit to buy and run a car parts shop as a ministry to help young people learn a profession.

LAOS

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Pray for strength for four Christian house church leaders arrested in northern Laos. After their community reported them, authorities barged into a worship service.

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Pray for local church leaders in the area and for wisdom for Open Doors partners, as they visit the families and provide counsel and encouragement.

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Pray for the 19 believers in the village where these church leaders were arrested. They are living in constant fear, as villagers and authorities watch believers' every move. Pray they will seek God despite the risk.

COLOMBIA

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Pray with your Colombian brothers and sisters in the indigenous department of Chocó, where an armed strike has created fear among church leaders.

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Pastors in the region ask: “Pray that God would take control of this situation and help the church to understand His vision in the midst of the conflict.”



Photo: Believers' gathering in Bangladesh

SECRET BELIEVERS

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Pray for perseverance for Iraqi believers from a Muslim background like Yasin* (pictured on top). He has led his family to Jesus, but his community has beaten him and firebombed his home for his decision to leave Islam.

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“When I read the Bible for the first time, I cried because of the beautiful words in it,” Yasin says. Pray that Scripture would be life-giving in the midst of secret believers’ isolation and persecution.

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Yasin asks you to pray that God gives him the strength to share the gospel with “as many people as possible,” he says. “I have hope that they will all be saved,” he says.

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Often, Middle Eastern Christians tell us that Jesus revealed Himself to them in a dream. Pray that God would bring more dreams and visions to Muslims.

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For pastors in the Middle East, working with believers from a Muslim background is a risk. Thank God for pastors who take this risk. Pray for pastors who dare to meet with new believers.

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Bitá met Jesus in a secret house church in Iran. She hides her Bible and whispers her prayers in secret, but her faith remains steadfast. Pray for unwavering courage and perseverance for women like Bitá.

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When Somayeh* first heard about Jesus in her native country of Iran, she had one goal: prove that Christianity wasn’t true and Islam was. But that was before she stepped into a local church, at a friend’s invitation. Ask God to embolden Christians to invite Muslims to worship.

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Somayeh started a secret house church that grew to 50 people and became a place of healing and transformation. Pray that God would raise up more believers to multiply His Church.

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Somayeh now leads an online ministry, serving secret Christians in Iran. Outside her native country, she attends training sessions organized by Open Doors. “The trainings have deepened my understanding of God’s Word,” she says. Ask God to expand her ministry.

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Pray with Adam and Dina, an Egyptian couple who followed Jesus out of Islam. When Adam’s father discovered their conversion, he threatened their lives. Ask God to give them grace and courage.

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Through the support of an Open Doors partner church, Adam received a motorized freight trike to earn a living, and the couple found a safe place to stay. Pray that this couple will grow in their faith.

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Pray for children forced to learn Muslim beliefs—even when Islam is not their faith. Not only must they deal with their daily homework, they must also navigate their hostile culture.

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Pray with 5-year-old Salim today. When his parents revealed their Christian faith, he came home from school with bruises and torn clothes—bullied by his Muslim classmates. Pray for children whose faith puts them at risk.

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Pray for peace for Salim’s parents who enrolled their son in a school without mentioning their Christian faith—at the suggestion of Open Doors local partners. “For now, it’s the only option to protect our child,” Salim’s father says.

“Now, Lord, consider their threats and enable your servants to speak your word with great boldness.”

ACTS 4:29