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Praying for the Muslim World

July
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<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Urvk-EBRUTk;>

<https://jenkins.sbts.edu/2023/03/21/from-salafism-to-jesus-christ/>

July 1-7 – PRAISE & THANKSGIVING <i>"But blessed are your eyes because they see, and your ears because they hear." Matthew 13:16 NIV</i>	
Week 1	
Mon 1	Praise GOD for the relationships built through surfing. Field workers shared that they were invited to a surfing club member's family home for a delicious meal celebrating Idul Adha (a 5-day celebration which follows the completion of the annual Hajj pilgrimage) with B. and his family. Pray for B. and his family to know Jesus.
Tue 2	Praise GOD for His church in Turkey. A worker shared that they welcomed four young people in their early 20s, two men and two women, this past Sunday. They chatted with their peers, asking various questions. Pray that they would feel connected and engaged with the gospel. Pray as well for a revival in the church in Turkey.
Wed 3	Praise GOD for the graduates of the Leaders in Training (LIT) program in Lebanon. The new trainees are now equipped to launch youth ministries in each of their congregations. The need for passionate, skilled youth leaders has never been greater. Pray that they would be effective witnesses and disciplers of Jesus.
Thu 4	Praise God for the dramatic change in granting of visas and security clearances compared to the last several years in Bangladesh. An answered prayer! Continue to pray for openness on the part of government officials. Pray that government leaders would know the Lord and develop a sincere desire to serve the people.
Fri 5	Praise GOD for how the Saudi society is changing and becoming a little more open to women educating themselves, managing their own businesses, and working in acceptable fields. The conservative viewpoints still limit many to find employment. Pray that Saudi women will encounter Christ-followers who will share the Gospel with them when they seek employment outside their countries. May they know their value in Jesus!
Sat-Sun 6-7	Praise GOD that many Betawi people, considered to be the original population of Jakarta, are forming small church groups and sharing their hope in Jesus. Movements are happening among the Betawi people. Pray that movements to Jesus will multiply until all peoples of Jakarta, and all of Indonesia, have heard the Good News.
July 8-14 – PRAY FOR MUSLIM PEOPLE <i>"Let them give thanks to the Lord for his unfailing love and his wonderful deeds for mankind, for he satisfies the thirsty and fills the hungry with good things." Psalm 107:8-9 NIV</i>	
Week 2	
Mon 8	Muslims around the world celebrated Eid last month. While Muslims believe that Abraham sacrificed Ishmael, Christians know that it is but a foreshadow of God's ultimate sacrifice for all humanity, Jesus. Eid is always a great opportunity to share about the sacrificial love of God through Jesus. Pray for boldness and courage!
Tue 9	An overwhelming oppression and lostness cover much of West Africa due to the prevalence of poverty and Islam. A. met a Christian friend when he fled his hometown to a nearby urban center. The gospel changed his life and broke the cycle of hopelessness for him and his family. Pray for A. as he leads weekly Bible studies.
Wed 10	Pray for the trauma-related trainings happening in North Africa to help people who have been affected by a devastating earthquake. Communities are still recovering from their loss. Pray for healing from grief and trauma. May God use this trauma-healing training to move hearts and open doors for the gospel.
Thu 11	Radio broadcasting allows listeners from hard-to-reach places to access the gospel—from urban centers to different levels of government and everywhere in between. Pray that many government leaders in South Sudan will be equipped with biblical leadership principles through Tools for Wise Leadership from Trans World Radio. Pray that many will realize the important role they play in ensuring the peace and stability of a country.
Fri 12	The Gujjar in India originated from the Huns, as in Attila the Hun. Like their famous predecessors, they continue to practice a nomadic lifestyle and because of this, have few opportunities to hear the gospel. Majority are Muslim and there are no known translations of the Scriptures in their language. Pray for them.
Sat-Sun 13-14	Kashmir, with its beautiful snow-covered mountains, is home to Muslim Kashmiris who are devout Sunni Muslims. Kashmiri Muslims are convinced the Bible is wrong when it contradicts the Koran. Those who "convert to Christianity" are viewed as immoral, degenerate people. Pray that many from this people group will know their Master and heed His voice. May many seek their loving Saviour who died for them.

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Week 3	July 15-21 – PRAY FOR THE CHURCH AND THE LABOURERS <i>"You will be enriched in every way so that you can be generous on every occasion, and through us your generosity will result in thanksgiving to God." 2 Corinthians 9:11 NIV</i>
Mon 15	Last August, al-Shabab militants ambushed K. who was on his way to deliver goods to Lamu, Kenya. He was killed as soon as it was discovered he's a Christian. K. was a long-distance driver and known to be a trustworthy and dedicated worker. He leaves behind his wife and two young daughters. They grieve his loss but they remain hopeful because of Christians who blessed them with rent, food and some funds to start a business.
Tue 16	Authorities arrested a couple from Armenia who were visiting relatives in Pardis, Iran. They had Farsi NT with them and had attended multiple churches during their visit. It is illegal in Iran to speak to non-Christians about the gospel and to have Bibles written in Farsi, the nation's official language. Pray for the couple who are still in prison and their two young kids who are currently staying with relatives. May God give them strength!
Wed 17	Believers in Iran ask for prayers for Y. and a group of other believers who have been sentenced harshly by the court. The charges relate to their Christian activities, which are deemed to threaten the security of the state. Pray for wisdom for the lawyers who are preparing to appeal and for God to soften the heart of the judge.
Thu 18	In Turkiye, nine Christians were expelled out of the country because they were sharing the gospel. The Secret Service report said they were violating the security of the country. Despite Christianity's deep roots in Turkiye, it is a difficult place to live out one's faith today. Pray for strength and endurance for believers in Turkiye.
Fri 19	Boko Haram pulled aside four passengers who were Christians from a bus travelling along the Damaturu-Biu Highway in Nigeria. As if that wasn't enough, photos of the killings have been circulating in social media. Sadly, this is not uncommon in Nigeria. Pray for the families and friends of the slain young men. May God comfort all those who are mourning and give them assurance that their loved ones are with the Lord.
Sat-Sun 20-21	One field worker in the Middle East shared that it has sometimes felt discouraging to see a lack of progress from the local men he is discipling. But it has helped him to trust these men's journey to faith into the Lord's hands and be available, always trying to point them more to Christ. May the Lord encourage him greatly!
Week 4	July 22-31 – PRAY FOR A MUSLIM REGION <i>Nine rooms in the house of Islam: Indo-Malay</i>
Mon 22	The Indo-Malay region, specifically Indonesia, has the world's largest Muslim population and the Muslim Malay people are one of the world's largest unreached people groups. Islam dominates this region and extremists continue to radicalize the people here and yet, God is at work drawing many people in this region to Himself! Pray that many will have supernatural revelations of Jesus in dreams, visions, and healings.
Tue 23	Praise God for the thousands of people in Bandung involved in Bible study groups, some of which are 8 generations deep! Some leaders who are desiring to see the movement multiply report that it is a challenge to raise up leaders from the younger population. There's also demonic opposition and significant health issues among the leaders. Pray that God will raise up younger leaders and cover His servants with His protection.
Wed 24	Indonesian authorities threatened a Christian church with eviction because of its proximity to the Indonesian International Islamic University (UIII) in Depok City, West Java. The church has over 150 members and has been at this location for nine years. It could soon cease to exist. May God encourage and protect His church!
Thu-Fri 25-26	The Malay make up majority of the Malay peoples in Malaysia, Brunei, and Singapore. In Malaysia, people are classified as Malay by the federal constitution if they speak their national language, Bahasa Malaysia, practice its customs, and are followers of Islam. Pray for the 0.1% Christians to be inspired to reach the Malay Muslims.
Sat-Sun 27-28	Church planters have served in Kuala Lumpur for several years and shared that there has been no real breakthrough among the Malay or the many other ethnicities in Malaysia. With its vast ethnic diversity, Kuala Lumpur is a strategic city for seeing people from many UPGs come to Jesus. Pray for breakthrough among the Malay and all UPGs in Kuala Lumpur. Pray that the gospel take root and spread like wildfire among the Malays.
Mon-Wed 29-31	Islam has been present in the Philippines since the 13th century. They make up 6% of the country's population. For Filipino-Muslims, a minority who have a strong sense of religious and cultural identity, living in a "Christian country" can be very difficult. Pray for open doors and for Christians to reach out to their Muslim neighbours.

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<https://2414now.net/pray/>

<https://www.imb.org/>

<https://www.joshuaproject.net/>

<https://www.mnnonline.org/>

<https://omf.org/>

<https://www.persecution.com/>

<https://pioneers.ca/>

<https://prayercast.com/>

<https://www.saudiviewpoint.com/>

<https://www.twr.ca/>

<https://wec-canada.org/>

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