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Praying for the Muslim World

February
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Journey with Jesus: A Spiritual Pilgrimage through the Psalms of Ascent by Fred Farrokh is available for download. Click [here](#). Please feel free to share with your BMB friend or study together.

February 1-7 – PRAISE & THANKSGIVING	
Week 1	<i>Therefore, since we are receiving a kingdom that cannot be shaken, let us be thankful, and so worship God acceptably with reverence and awe, for our “God is a consuming fire.” Hebrews 12:28-29</i>
Wed 1	Praise GOD for the way He orchestrates meetings—a worker was prodded to treat a young couple celebrating their first anniversary. The next night, they met again at a Dengbej house and had a longer chat. The worker remembered the Gospel of John sung in Dengbej and sent it to the guy. Pray for open and receptive hearts.
Thu 2	Praise GOD for open doors—a field worker in Central Asia reported that they had been invited to two village weddings. The celebration would go on for days and without the men around, the ladies were even more warm and open hearted than usual. Pray that the relationship and trust would deepen.
Fri 3	Praise GOD for the way He shines His light in the dark—women tend to congregate after sunset in a small town in Asia. It’s hard to spot women wearing burqa in a dark park but two female workers kept walking. One night, a young girl was waiting. Her mother wanted to talk to them. The woman opened about the abuse she is suffering and the ladies comforted her and can only share in their limited language: “God sees everything.”
Sat 4	Praise GOD for how He is building His church in Iran—in one city, believers were able to share the Gospel with 100 people and 23 made commitments to Jesus. There were many others who came to know the Lord, even from outside of Iran, because of the witness of Iranian believers. Continue to pray for Iran. Harvest is plentiful!
Sun 5	Praise God for the advances in technology which allow people to gain access to a wide range of gospel resources in their heart language. In places where it is dangerous to be a Christian, people get SD cards so they can learn about Jesus undetected. Pray that those who receive an SD card would come to believe in Jesus.
Mon-Tue 6-7	Praise GOD for the witness of His martyrs—a pastor was captured by Boko Haram. He was asked to turn away from Jesus and choose Muhammed so his life will be spared, but he refused. He told his fellow captives to tell his family that “he died well.” In his last seconds, the light of the eternal dawn lit up his face bearing witness to all who were watching. Read Proverbs 4:18 and pray for those who are risking their lives for Jesus.
February 8-14 – PRAY FOR MUSLIM PEOPLE	
Week 2	<i>Jesus said to them, “It is not the healthy who need a doctor, but the sick. I have not come to call the righteous, but sinners.” Mark 2:17</i>
Wed 8	Last year, the eyes of the world were on the Arab World with Qatar hosting the FIFA World cup and Egypt hosting the UN Climate Change Conference. Although this showcased their material wealth, many are still living in spiritual poverty. Pray that more Arab people would recognize Jesus as the “Pearl of Great Price”!
Thu 9	In a rich country like Qatar we will find the Akhdam or Muhamasheen. They live in extreme poverty and discrimination. There is no justice for them, nor education for their children. Pray that Christians in Qatar will reach out to them and offer practical help but also share the hope of salvation that only Christ can give.
Fri 10	The unrest in Iran continues despite the regime’s attempt to control the narrative. Since the death of 23-yr. old Mahsa Amini while under morality police custody, violent protests broke out all throughout Iran with no signs of abating. Pray that the Lord protect the people of Iran and that many will turn to Jesus as a result.
Sat 11	The call to prayer is heard five times a day throughout Saudi Arabia, proclaiming Muslim beliefs about God and Mohammed and urging Muslims to go and pray. Muslims believe that by praying five times a day as commanded by God, they will earn credit that will help their good works outweigh their evil deeds. Pray that many will realize that this is a lie and for God to reveal Himself in a way that would cause them to seek Jesus.
Sun 12	Nearly a third of the population in Sudan will need humanitarian aid this year to survive. After 10 years of civil war, the Sudanese people have an insatiable spiritual hunger that can no longer be fulfilled by Islam. Pray that the Gospel will be preached in their heart languages and lives will be transformed as a result.
Mon-Tue 13-14	When the Gospel was broadcasted in one of the most difficult countries to be a Christian, friends from FEBC Radio were surprised about how the message of Christ’s love is received by the people of Chad. Despite power outages happening daily, and Islam being the dominant religion, a tenth of the country continue to tune in!

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Week 3	February 15-21 – PRAY FOR THE CHURCH AND THE LABOURERS <i>"It is God who arms me with strength and keeps my way secure." Psalm 18:32</i>
Wed 15	<p>"On Sunday morning, during a worship service celebration (there were 60 new baptisms and new believers being baptized), a bomb went off in the service." 17 people were killed and 39 were wounded when extremists bombed this church in Democratic Republic of the Congo. Pray for healing for those who were injured and God's comfort for the families of those who perished. Intercede for the persecuted Christians in DRC.</p>
Thu 16	<p>"Followers of Jesus are the best people I have ever met," N said. "They never slander, they don't talk bad behind your back, and they don't meddle in other people's business." A field worker's loving lifestyle made such a great impression on her students. She was able to share about God's grace which compels her to love.</p>
Fri 17	<p>A courageous Christian woman in Pakistan stood up to her Muslim colleague who threatened to accuse her of blasphemy. The harsh blasphemy laws are often misused in Pakistan to settle personal scores. It is also used to persecute its small minorities. The brave woman recorded the incident, and this has caused a widespread conversation about Pakistan's blasphemy laws. Pray for a supernatural protection of Christians in Pakistan.</p>
Sat 18	<p>120,000 Armenians and "nearly 1,700 years of Christian culture" are facing a humanitarian crisis as eco-activists created a "blockade in the Lachin Corridor effectively preventing thousands of Armenians from getting food and medical care." Azerbaijan and Turkish gov't's may be using this to force Armenians out. Pray for them.</p>
Sun 19	<p>Pray for the workers among the unreached people groups (UPGs) in Bangladesh. There are 86 known workers serving in 67 UPGs. Pray that God will provide for all their needs in the middle of financial crisis. The MBB families are also facing persecution because of their faith. Pray for the Lord's strength and protection.</p>
Mon-Tue 20-21	<p>A pastor shared that the authorities placed him in a small metal box, where he suffered under the oppressive heat of the desert sun. In the West, it's hard to imagine going through this kind of torture for our faith but 1 in every 7 Christians live under high levels of persecution. Let us continue to intercede for the persecuted.</p>
Week 4	February 22-28 – PRAY FOR A MUSLIM REGION <i>Nine rooms in the house of Islam: Indo-Malay</i>
Wed 22	<p>The Baweanese are Sunni Muslim and a significant community among the Malays of Singapore. Originally from Indonesia, they migrated to Singapore in search of a better life. Many work long hours doing menial jobs to support their families in Indonesia. Although a complete Bible is available in their language, less than 2% identify as Christian. Pray that they may meet Christian friends and God would raise believers among them!</p>
Thu 23	<p>In 1643, Captain William Mynors of the British East Indian Company sighted an island on Christmas Day. Thus, the island became known as Christmas Island. It is home to a rich mix of Australian, Malay, Chinese cultures, including the Cocos Malay people. The Cocos Malay are Muslims and largely unreached. Bible translation is also still needed. Pray that God would raise up Christians who will share the gospel with the Cocos Malay people.</p>
Fri 24	<p>Brunei is the richest country in Southeast Asia, but a difficult place to live in as Christian. Bruneians are Muslim Malay people similar to the Malays in Malaysia. Pray for the Kadazan Dusun people in Brunei. Less than 2% are Christian and translation is still needed for most of the Scripture including the New Testament. Some Kadazan Dusun people who are in Malaysia are believers. Pray that they would reach out to their people in Brunei.</p>
Sat 25	<p>Although majority of the Malay people live in Malaysia, they are dispersed throughout Southeast Asia. Some of them migrated to Hong Kong. The strongest characteristic of Malay identity that remains consistent regardless of their location is their adherence to the Islamic religion. Pray for workers to reach the Malay people for Jesus in Hong Kong and that networks of believing families and fellowships will spread among the Malay people.</p>
Sun 26	<p>88% of Indonesia's population is Muslim and it is illegal to evangelize. Yet God is moving in very powerful ways. He is doing what is impossible for man---100,000 baptisms in 2022 alone! Pray for the protection of Christians in Indonesia and pray that the gov't. will continue to respect people's right to practice their religion.</p>
Mon-Tue 27-28	<p>Pray for the Banten people in Indonesia who live in the highly populated island of Java. As a tourist destination, Banten is open to the outside world and tourists can offer the Jesus film in their own language. There are also Christians on the island who can reach out to them. Pray that many will come to the saving knowledge of Jesus!</p>

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

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