

PRAY

FOR MISSIONARIES



Call to Prayer

You are participating in the grandest story on earth—featuring a cast of billions:

After this I looked, and behold, a great multitude that no one could number, from every nation, from all tribes and peoples and languages, standing before the throne and before the Lamb, clothed in white robes, with palm branches in their hands, and crying out with a loud voice, “Salvation belongs to our God who sits on the throne, and to the Lamb!” Revelation 7:9-10 ESV

John’s vision reflects the ultimate goal — all nations worshipping our Lord God.

Walking in the way of Jesus, SAMS desires His Kingdom come throughout communities across the world, wherever your missionaries go with the good news. This includes our neighborhoods where your missionaries are being sent from. We long for a family across the globe, united in Christ.

Your missionaries are serving throughout Africa, the Americas, Asia, Europe and the Pacific. They are doing ministry in these challenging days with creativity and flexibility. Many missionaries respond to physical needs of the vulnerable. These beloved people of God continue to struggle to get food, medical care, and educational opportunities for their children.

Many missionaries are facing burdens and afflictions themselves. Yet, through it all, they share His salvation message, engaging in spiritual warfare against individual and structural sin. Senders share the burden as we come before our Lord Jesus Christ through prayer and confession.

We all confront the intractable issues in our world, nation, and communities through prayer. Oswald Chambers, in *My Utmost for His Highest*, shares: “Prayer does not fit us for the greater work; prayer is the greater work.” Will you join your Society in this labor of love for our communities, near and far?



How to Use this Guide

The rest of this guide provides prompts, coupled with corresponding scriptures on areas of missionary life to pray for. There are additional prayer resources available through our website, www.samsusa.org.



Additional Resources

MISSIONARY PRAYER CALENDAR

SAMS receives specific missionary prayer requests from across the field on a regular basis. We post these on a prayer calendar on our website at: www.samsusa.org/pray. A printable PDF version is also available.

WEEKLY COMMUNAL NOONDAY PRAYERS

Every Thursday at Noon EST, the SAMS community comes together to pray Noonday prayers via Zoom Cloud Meetings. All Society members are welcome to attend.

PRAY THE 9:38 PRAYER

The Great Commission is Matthew 9:38. Therefore, many of our members use that reference to remind themselves to pray at 9:38 AM or PM. Each day, we pray Matthew 9:38 for the Lord to send laborers into his harvest field. It's as simple as setting up a phone reminder!





Pray for Health

There are many dangers to health through food, sanitation, and disease. It is not God's will that sickness strip the mission fields. It is his will that his children have health and strength to carry out his work.

Scriptures to Pray: Deuteronomy 7:15, Psalm 97:10, Isaiah 53:5, John 10:10b





Pray for Travel Protection

There is danger when traveling over narrow roads, in mountains, in areas where safety is not a design consideration, and in bad weather conditions.

Scripture to Pray: Isaiah 43:2





Pray for Protection of Mind

Climate and culture differences and loneliness are all contributing factors which lead to breakdown in the normal functions of the mind. The missionary needs to enter into the provisions promised in Scriptures and enjoy the Lord's peace.

Scriptures to Pray: Psalm 42:11, Psalm 147:3, John 14:27, Hebrews 4:9-11



Pray for Unity

Differences arise among missionaries especially team ministries and in isolated situations. The missionary needs godly conflict resolution to resolve differences while maintaining gospel witness.

Scripture to Pray: Psalm 133





Pray for Protection of Spirit

Discouragement, and a sense of failure plague those on the front lines. The missionary needs encouragement to resist the powers of darkness.

Scriptures to Pray: Deut. 31:6, Matthew 18:18, James 4:7, 1 Peter 5:8-9





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