

PRAY FOR BREAKTHROUGH IN THE NATIONS

*It was not by their sword that they won the land,
nor did their arm bring them victory;*

*it was **Your** right hand, **Your** arm,
and **the light of Your face**—*

for You loved them.

—*Psalm 44:3*

Each of these Scripture-based prayers—for teams of church-planters, for local believers, and for the lost—can be prayed for all nations of the earth. The regions named are the regions from which the prayers came, where the writers of the prayers serve in sharing the gospel and advancing God’s kingdom. This might inspire specific prayer for those regions, but it should not limit your prayers. God’s word has no borders.

In fact, we encourage you to follow each prayer for the nations with another: “*And do this in my nation too, Lord!*”

◆ Our Teams in the Nations ◆

❖ Lord God, clothe the workers on our international teams in all the characteristics of Your holy people. We ask for humility and forgiveness to mark our teams, and we pray that the enemy will not be able to bring division and disunity among them. Let them instead be unified, working together in harmony and love.

(Col. 3:12-14)

❖ *NORTH AFRICA*

❖ Thank You, Jesus, for the faithfulness of our workers. We pray for a rejuvenation of their minds, hearts, and bodies to be able to continue in doing good. We ask You to replace any discouragement with fresh hope. We declare, for Your glory, that the time of reaping is now. In Your mighty name we pray, Amen.

(Gal. 6:9)

❖ *SOUTH ASIA*

❖ God, we pray that those serving in the nations will be like lights—like cities on a hill and stars in the sky. Let people see their good deeds and glorify their Father in heaven. We pray that these laborers will be blameless and innocent, children of God without blemish, no matter the generation. Help them hold steadfast to the word of life, knowing that they do not labor in vain.

(Matt. 5:14-16; Phil. 2:15-16)

❖ *EUROPE*

❖ Father, we ask You to grant Your laborers boldness, confidence, and faith in speaking Your word. We pray that they will not be overcome by the onslaught of the world or the enemy as they share the Good News. We ask You to back up their message with signs, wonders, and miracles through the name of Jesus and for Your glory. In Jesus' name we pray, Amen.

(Acts 4:29-30)

❖ *SOUTHEAST ASIA BUDDHISTS*

❖ Father, You have called these teams of church-planters in righteousness. Take hold of their hands and make them lights, shining brightly in their nations to set captives free and release those who have been held in darkness. Reveal the new things You are doing in the earth so that You may receive all the glory!

(Isa. 42:5-9)

❖ *MIDDLE EAST*

❖ Lord of the harvest, connect our teams with groups of reliable local believers who will receive truth and will also be skilled in teaching others. Empower our teams and give them wisdom to disciple these precious ones to walk by the Spirit and stand on Your word. (2 Tim. 2:2)

❖ *SOUTHEAST ASIA MUSLIMS*

❖ Father, we pray that the members of every team will remember the joy of their salvation and declare Your sovereign reign over themselves and their nation. We pray that the power of their declaration will overcome any depression or anxiety that is stealing their joy. (1 Chr. 16:31)

❖ *EAST ASIA & RUSSIA*

❖ May our international teams abide so deeply in You, Jesus. Let Your love so permeate them, as they connect with You, that they bear much fruit and Your desires become their desires.

(John 15:4-9)

❖ *SUB-SAHARAN AFRICA*

❖ Father, give Your workers in the nations the spirit of wisdom and revelation, that they will be full of hope because they truly know You. Give them divine keys to open individual hearts, communities, and nations. As wisdom comes, help them make corrections and provide what is needed to apply Your counsel.

(Eph. 1:17-18)

❖ *LATIN AMERICA*

◆ The Church in the Nations ◆

- ❖ Lord God, we pray that as believers in every nation behold You in Your glory, their lives will reap beautiful spiritual fruit. Through Your saints, bring healing to trauma and brokenness in the nations. (Rev. 22:1-2) ❖ *EAST ASIA & RUSSIA*
- ❖ Father, breathe Your Spirit upon Your Church and make her rise as an army of faithful warriors in the nations. May the Church hear Your call and wake up from slumber as a unified body. May she manifest the gifts and the fruits of the Spirit and shine like never before. (Ezek. 37:4-5) ❖ *LATIN AMERICA*
- ❖ Lead Your Church in the nations to enlarge the place of their tent—stretching out their curtains, lengthening their cords, and strengthening their stakes. Enable the Church to create new wineskins for the new wine of the abundant harvest You want to bring in. (Isa. 54:2-3) ❖ *SOUTHEAST ASIA MUSLIMS*
- ❖ Lord, let Your glory shine upon the Church in this hour. May many be drawn to Your light as the Church shines brighter and brighter. (Isa. 60:1-3) ❖ *SUB-SAHARAN AFRICA*
- ❖ God, we pray that Your Church will hold fast to the confession of their hope without wavering. Give them the courage, perseverance, and endurance to remember that You are faithful to all Your promises. Let Your people consider how to stir one another toward love and good works. May they not neglect meeting together, but rather encourage one another. (Heb. 10:23-25) ❖ *EUROPE*
- ❖ Father, we pray for the Church to walk in wisdom and revelation of who You are and what You are doing in this hour. Make the hearts of Your people tender, pliable, and humble toward You and the people around them. We pray that they will stay focused on their calling, understand their inheritance, and know the greatness of Your power because of their faith. Continue using the Church to change the world, in Jesus' name. (Eph. 1:17-19) ❖ *SOUTHEAST ASIA BUDDHISTS*
- ❖ Thank You, Jesus, for giving Your Church the fivefold ministry to equip Your people. Give church leaders vision to equip their people for the work of ministry. We ask You to stop divisiveness from the evil one; we ask instead for healing and forgiveness among Your churches. Lord, help our churches everywhere become mature through unity in the knowledge of You. (Eph. 4:11-13) ❖ *SOUTH ASIA*
- ❖ We ask You for a fresh filling of the Spirit for local believers in the nations. Fill them with great boldness! Stretch out Your hand to perform signs and wonders that will magnify the name of Jesus and draw many to You. (Acts 4:29-31) ❖ *NORTH AFRICA*
- ❖ Father, humble the Church before You, teaching believers to cast all their cares and anxiety upon You. Strengthen the Church to stand firm in faith, even in the midst of suffering, full of confidence that You will restore all things. Thank You for calling Your body into Your eternal glory, by Your grace, and making her strong, firm, and steadfast. (1 Pet. 5:6-11) ❖ *MIDDLE EAST*

◆ The Lost in the Nations ◆

❖ We pray that, like Nebuchadnezzar, the nations will encounter God in tremendous ways and echo the king's decree, saying, "There is no other god who is able to rescue in this way." God, we pray that the nations will extol and honor You as the One True King. We pray that the nations will surrender their hearts to You as Lord and Savior and that they will align their lives with Your Word! (Dan 3:29; 4:3, 35-37) ❖ *EUROPE*

❖ God, let Your ways and Your saving power be known throughout the earth. Let the whole world sing for joy because You govern the nations with justice and guide the people of the whole world. Let all nations give thanks to You and enjoy You. (Ps. 67:2-4) ❖ *SUB-SAHARAN AFRICA*

❖ Father, shine Your light in the darkness. Awaken nations to recognize You, Lord Jesus, as the true light, so that they might become children of God. May the nations find life and light in You and become Your faithful followers all of their days. (John 1:1-5, 9-13) ❖ *MIDDLE EAST*

❖ Father, we know that life outside of the freedom You give is bondage. Today, in the nations, reveal the Good News to those who are afflicted. Cause the heartbroken around the world to encounter peace through Your salvation and grace. Lead all those who are captive and prisoners—to sin, the world, the devil, or in slavery to other people—find the freedom that You provide in Christ Jesus. We ask for the knowledge of the glory of the Lord to fill the earth like the waters fill the seas. May nations experience Your great love and forgiveness, in Jesus' name. (Isa. 61:1) ❖ *SOUTHEAST ASIA BUDDHISTS*

❖ Jesus, You are standing and knocking at the doors of nations. We ask for dreams and visions to be poured out onto the nations. We pray that entire families, communities, and villages will all hear Your voice and choose to open the door to You. We thank You that Your banquet table will be filled with people representing every nation, tongue, and tribe. For Your Glory, Amen. (Rev. 3:20) ❖ *SOUTH ASIA*

❖ God Almighty, we ask for whole nations to be discipled. We pray that multitudes in each nation will be baptized and start learning how to obey everything that You taught Your disciples. Let them influence every sphere of society with Your kingdom's values. (Matt. 28:18-20) ❖ *SOUTHEAST ASIA MUSLIMS*

❖ Father, bring a spirit of conviction of sin and the revelation of Your Son to the nations of the earth. Cause them to turn to You. May their leaders fear You and the people hope in You. As You shake what needs to be shaken, let many fall on You and be saved. (Ps. 22:27-28) ❖ *LATIN AMERICA*

❖ Father, cause the nations to break out in song over Your righteous judgment. We pray that they will be moved to release their rights in this life and wholeheartedly submit to You. (Ps. 67:4) ❖ *EAST ASIA & RUSSIA*

❖ Holy Spirit, visit the lost in the nations who are reading the Bible, discovering what the Scriptures say about Jesus. Make their hearts burn within them as they open the Scriptures and read the truth of Your word. Open their eyes to recognize Jesus as their Savior. (Luke 24:27, 31-32) ❖ *NORTH AFRICA*

*All the nations You have made
will come and worship before You, O Lord;
they will bring glory to Your name.*

—Psalm 86:9

