



MONTH
OF
PRAYER
GUIDE

“The history of missions is the history of answered prayer.” — Samuel Zwemer

As co-laborers in Chad, we are setting aside a month for focused prayer. This 4-week guide is voluntary and it can be adapted within your normal rhythms of prayer. **Here are some ideas to consider this month...**

FASTING

“Man shall not live on bread alone, but on every word that comes from the mouth of God.” – Matthew 4:4

Consider prayer paired with fasting. Choose a time each week. Choose a type of fast whether for the day or from one meal. An option could be Friday afternoons when Muslims are at the mosque.

Consider joining a corporate day of fasting on October 15 with other laborers in Chad.

Ideas for Fasting: Message called [Missions as Fasting](#).

READ ISAIAH

“so is my word that goes out from my mouth: It will not return to me empty, but will accomplish what I desire and achieve the purpose for which I sent it.” – Isaiah 55:11

Each week this month there will be a focused theme from [the first four verses of Isaiah 61](#). This passage uniquely combines many of the themes that laborers in Chad suggested after a season of diagnostic prayer. Isaiah 61 is set within a beautiful context best appreciated when exploring the book. You might begin now and let your reading spill over the weeks and months that follow.

Ideas for Reading: Download the [Reflections from the Book of Isaiah](#). Each chapter has short reflection questions, meditation, and inspirational images from Chad, Africa.

PRAYER WALKS

“Every place that the sole of your foot will tread upon I have given to you, just as I promised to Moses.” – Joshua 1:3

Inspired by God’s promise to Joshua, we can walk the victory of Jesus into every part of our neighborhoods and villages. One of the most loving things you can do for your neighbor is pray over them. Prayer walking is an easy way to profoundly impact you and your community.

Choose a day and time. Gather with your team, friends, and family and begin walking around your neighborhood, praying over the houses you pass. As you see people on your journey, ask the Lord if there is anything specific in their lives that you can pray for.

Ideas for Prayer Walking: [HolyGround App](#) to creatively map your prayer walks.

“We give ourselves continually to prayer...” — Acts 6:4

PRAAYER GUIDE WEEK 1

PRAYER POINTS

- ▶ You: Praise the Lord for His sovereignty, power, and authority.
- ▶ Team: Pray for each laborer in Chad to have a fresh anointing to bring the good news and proclaim liberty. (Prayer of Protection)
- ▶ Nation: Pray against spiritual forces at work in Chad and for God to incline His ear and respond with mercy and grace.
- ▶ Pray for freedom from strongholds that seek to imprison the lost and destroy the Church of Jesus Christ in Chad. (Prayers for Laborers and BMBs)

LIBERTY

“The Spirit of the Lord GOD is upon me, because the LORD has anointed me to bring good news to the poor; he has sent me to bind up the brokenhearted, to **proclaim liberty to the captives**, and the opening of the prison to those who are bound” – Isaiah 61:1

Words like poor, brokenhearted, captive, and bound describe many of the lost in Chad. Interestingly, Isaiah 61 was the Scripture that Jesus chose to use during his first public message. He declared this good news and lived out the text before his hearers. In essence, what Jesus said was that true freedom can only be found in him. Let’s pray these verses over the nation of Chad and over his laborers who represent him there.

TIP: PRAYERS OF DECLARATION & FREEDOM

Be vigilant in praying over yourselves first and ask the Lord if there are strongholds in your life that you need freedom in. Then move on to pleading with the Lord for your community and unreached people around you. Make a list of strongholds where you live. Pray against them in the name of Jesus. Ask the Lord to replace them with things that are close to His heart. [See an example list developed by one team.](#)

PRAAYER GUIDE WEEK 2

PRAYER POINTS

- ▶ You: Ask the Lord for a humble spirit and contrite heart as we seek His face. Ask the Lord if there is someone on your team, family, and community that you need to forgive or seek forgiveness.
- ▶ Team: Grieve losses among your team and people group. Seek the Lord's comfort. Prayer of Forgiveness.
- ▶ Nation: Ask God to forgive where the nation has failed to follow God's commands.
- ▶ Pray with expectancy that the Lord's kingdom would come.

TIP: PRAYERS OF REPENTANCE & COMFORT

Spend time in silence before God. Sometimes, the best way to approach repentance is to simply be silent before God. Take some deep, slow breaths. Close your eyes if that helps you to relax into your breathing. Rest your whole self in the Lord's presence, knowing you are safe with Him like a newborn is with its mother. Allow Immanuel to speak to your heart and show you the areas in your life that need to be changed. Bring those to your Father. Allow Him to cover you in His mercy and comfort.

COMFORT

"proclaim the year of the LORD'S favor, and the day of vengeance of our God; to **comfort all who mourn**" – Isaiah 61:2

When Jesus came He came for those who knew that they were humble, needy, and sick. They were ready to bow their knee, ask for help, and call out to Him for healing. When Jesus comes again he will come as Judge and King. This is good news for all who are seeking justice and hope for all who see wrong in this world to be made right again. Until then, we wait, we proclaim his favor, we do justice, we love kindness, and we walk humbly with our God. (Listen to Song)

PRAAYER GUIDE WEEK 3

PRAYER POINTS

- ▶ You: Praise the Lord for His beauty is spreading and He is planting you in His garden. Ask for a greater thirst for glory.
- ▶ Team: Pray for unity in Christ. Pray through your CP strategy. Pray for your partnerships with others (teams, orgs, churches, etc.).
- ▶ Nation: Ask the Lord to yield a harvest of disciples among every UPG in Chad who gather in churches.
- ▶ Pray through this map of Chad and the [list of people groups by name](#).

TIP: PRAYERS OF SUPPLICATION

There are things that only God can do. You can be faithful. You can plan. You can pray. You can persist—ask, seek, knock. Only God can plant his church. Make your requests and big asks known to Him. It's okay to humbly or earnestly ask. You have not because you ask not. For, example, a big ask could be for transformation along the major artery in Chad beginning from N'Djamena to Abeche (and possibly to other villages in Chad). Commit to pray, visit a village along the route, bless them, and give a Bible.

PLANTING

"to grant to those who mourn in Zion—to give them a beautiful headdress instead of ashes, the oil of gladness instead of mourning, the garment of praise instead of a faint spirit; that they may be called oaks of righteousness, the **planting of the LORD**, that he may be glorified." – Isaiah 61:3

One laborer said, "We are plowing and planting in hard ground not because the first rains *have* come but because we trust that they *will* come. When they do, they will soften the earth—actually creating good soil from hard clods—and bring a harvest."

We labor in Chad to glorify God among unreached peoples by initiating church planting movements in partnership with local churches. For His glory, let's ask the Lord for the planting of his vineyard in Chad. What He plants He prospers and protects.

PRAAYER GUIDE WEEK 4

PRAYER POINTS

- ▶ You: Ask the Lord to renew your love for him and the things He loves. Give thanks to the Lord.
- ▶ Team: Ask the Lord to do his reconciling and restoring work through you in your community.
- ▶ Bring the words "rebuild," "restore," and "renew" to the Lord. What does he bring to mind for you, your team, and the work in Chad?
- ▶ Nation: Celebrate what the Lord has done in generations past (i.e. southern Chad, Guerra, BMBs, etc.) Beg the Lord to continue to spread his fame to new places in Chad.

RENEWAL

"They will rebuild the ancient ruins and restore the places long devastated; they will **renew the ruined cities** that have been devastated for generations." – Isaiah 61:4

Pioneering CP work isn't glamorous. Often it involves years of chucking spiritual rocks out of the soil, preparing, cultivating, and waiting for the harvest. It can be difficult and tedious. Most days feel mundane and not momentous. It calls for endurance and long-suffering. Faced with the reality of the ashes, ruin, and discouragement, God raises his voice and announces a time of rebuilding, restoring, and renewal. May that day be soon for all of Chad, Africa when the Lord will "do something new!" (Isaiah 43:19)

TIP: PRAYERS OF RENEWAL & CELEBRATION

Taking time to remember and celebrate is important. Take a jar or basket and write on pieces of paper answers to prayer, gratitude, and Ebenezer moments when the Lord was your help. Put it in a place where you and others can see it often and add to it. This can be a wonderful collection and reminder to dip into when things are difficult or discouraging. (Share a short testimony on the [Celebration Wall](#))

RESOURCES

APPS

- ▶ [Lectio365](#) - pray the Bible everyday day.
- ▶ [Inner Room](#) - turns your mobile phone into a portable prayer tool.
- ▶ [Pray As You Go](#) – short daily meditations and prayer session.
- ▶ [YouVersion](#)- immerse yourself in the Word.

BOOKS

- ▶ [Praying Like Monks, Living Like Fools](#) by Tyler Staton
- ▶ [Praying the Bible](#) by Donald Whitney
- ▶ [On Prayer](#) by E.M. Bounds
- ▶ [With Christ in the School of Prayer](#) by Andrew Murray
- ▶ [Joyful Journey, Listening to Immanuel](#) by E James Wilder

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- ▶ [LetChadBeGlad.com Prayer Guides](#).

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