

ONEBOOK
The Word goes local

November 2020

Prayer POINTS



**"He chose to give birth to us by giving us his true word.
And we, out of all creation,
became his prized possession."**

James 1:18 (NLT)

1 November 1 is the International Day of Prayer for the persecuted church. This month's theme verse, James 1:18, reminds us that God, in His love for each one of us, gave us new life in Christ, who is the "Word who became flesh and dwelt among us" (John 1:14). This is our comfort during trials and persecution. It is expressed in the testimony of Kioni from the Nawila community who said, "Because of my soul's eternal life in Christ, I no longer fear physical death." Let's **pray** today for our persecuted brothers and sisters to find comfort in their gift of eternal life.

2 Jam Ma Cluster – Cameroon: **Pray** for the Gamata translators and Mr. Assinga, the translation consultant, to experience joy and good health as they quality-check the book of Acts together this week.

3 Mofu-Gudur – Cameroon: Nathan, a computer technician who serves our partner's projects in the Greater North region of Cameroon, is helping the Mofu-Gudur team increase their basic computing skills today and tomorrow. **Pray** for the team members to understand and retain what they are taught.

4 Kura Old Testament – South Asia Sensitive: The region where the Kura people live has been hit hard by the pandemic. **Pray** for the peace of the Kura believers and project staff to be noticed by their neighbours who fear death. May this lead to life-changing conversations.



5 Kabras — Kenya: A Kabras translator, Mercy, is drafting the book of 1 Corinthians this month. As she is bathed in the teachings of this book, **ask** the Holy Spirit to bring conviction to her as she considers the application of these teachings to her own life.

6 OneBook: Please **pray** for favor with new donors who will be invited to join a monthly donor program that OneBook is developing.

7 Mpumpong — Cameroon: **Pray** for complete healing of the Mpumpong project coordinator, Jean, from the chronic pain he suffers. He is discouraged.

8 Jam Ma Cluster — Cameroon: **Pray** for the Word of God to be preached clearly and boldly today during the dedication ceremony of the Gospel of Luke in the Kwanay community.

9 Kenya: **Pray** for Rev. Peter, leader of our Kenyan partner organization, as he and his leadership team ride the waves of the pandemic, constantly adjusting plans with local community project leaders. **Ask** that these community members will stay healthy and serve one another in love.

10 Mankon — Cameroon: Violence has increased in recent months in the city where the Nkon people live. They live in constant fear of being caught in the crossfire. **Pray** for God's protection over them and His peace in their hearts.

11 Laman — Indonesia: **Thank God** for a young Laman translator we call Kulam. He has matured spiritually through this work, changed from a man with no goal in life to one who is making a big impact on his community. **Pray** for wisdom as he and our partner organization consider a future role for him as a project advisor in another language project.

12 Donali — South Asia Sensitive: Darsh and Siya are making progress learning the Donali language and ask us to **pray** for them to be able to find the Donali words to pray for their Donali friends when they are visiting them.

13 Jola Felupe — Guinea-Bissau: **Pray** for unity and energy for the Jola Felupe translators Raimundo, Luis, Moreira, and Amadu as they overcome obstacles to complete the New Testament translation project this year. These include frequent electrical and internet outages, political instability, and COVID-19 travel and meeting restrictions.

14 Lowu — Indonesia: One of the last and very important pre-publication steps in Bible translation is reading the entire text through with people from the community who give feedback on what they have understood well and what has confused them. COVID-19 has delayed this for the Lowu New Testament. **Pray** for safe ways for people to meet together and give valuable feedback to the translators.

15 Mehra — South Asia Sensitive: Market prices in the Mehra villages are rising daily as a result of economic breakdown due to COVID-19. **Pray** for the believers to help each other through challenges and grow together as a community that prays itself through difficulties. **Ask** for them to be protected from activists in their country who are increasingly intolerant to Christian activities.

16 Moloko — Cameroon: The Moloko Scripture Engagement (SE) worker is meeting together with other SE workers in the Greater North region of Cameroon this week for training. **Pray** for God's Spirit to fill them with boldness as they apply new skills and ideas in their communities.

17 Gurija — South Asia Sensitive: The Gurija project asks us to **pray** for God to help them recruit the right person to be an adult literacy teacher and start a literacy program over the next few months.

18 OneBook: **Pray** with OneBook for the provision of a new Director of Development; someone with passion, skills, and the right personality to complement the team.

19 Mfumte Cluster – Cameroon: **Pray** for Kwaja translators Emmanuel, Clement, Augustine, and Patricia to clearly understand the meaning of the texts they are translating and to find the right words and expressions in their language so that their people can also understand God's Word.



20 Sengwer Cherangany – Kenya: The Sengwer Cherangany translators are testing the Gospel of Luke with members of their community this month. **Pray** for willing people to participate and **pray** for safe ways to meet. **Ask God** for helpful feedback that improves the quality of the translation.

21 Mmen – Cameroon: The Mmen project coordinator was in a car accident on his way home from the capital city. **Praise God** who spared his life, keeping him from injury and reminding him of the angels who surround and protect him. **Pray** that those angels will also surround Mmen villages, sparing the lives of innocent civilians during the ongoing crisis in their region.

22 Tchouvok – Cameroon: Geographic isolation, lack of electricity and water, and lower education levels in the Tchouvok community have contributed to many delays in the completion of the New Testament translation. Our partner organization decided to continue facilitating the project without OneBook's sponsorship, but we can continue to pray! **Ask God** to help Pierre, the Tchouvok translation team leader, Robert, the community association president, and Christophe, our partner's facilitator as they work together to lead the community in completion of this project.

23 Waata – East Africa Sensitive: The Waata version of the "Jesus the Messiah" comic book is being printed and distributed in local churches to Waata children this month. **Pray** for it to motivate them to read in their language and for the message to strengthen them with a solid faith in Jesus.



24 Worldwide: The New Testaments have arrived in seven language communities, but their dedication ceremonies have been postponed by the pandemic. These are Awing in Cameroon and Bart, Fodigwa, Shatika, Kassin, Sirmar, and Warka in Asia. **Pray** for community leaders to find safe and quick ways to get these books and the Scripture apps into the hands of their people who need this Good News more than ever before.

25 CABTAL Consultant Capacity Building – Cameroon: Ladde Clement did translation into Mofu-Gudur, his mother tongue, and is now working hard to complete his translation consultant certification. This often takes him away from home to do exegetical checking with teams. **Pray** for his family's health and safety during these absences and **pray** that he would be an encouragement to the translators he meets with.

26 OneBook Staff, OneBook: OneBook staff members are pausing from our normal duties and meeting together today and tomorrow to pray and strategize about our desire to increase the depth and breadth of our collaboration with local communities and donors. **Pray** with us to clearly discern God's direction.

27 Pana – Cameroon: Alice came to Christ when she understood the gospel being read on the radio in her language, Pana. Now she wants to learn to read so she can grow in her faith and share Pana Scripture with others. Getting to a literacy class is complicated. **Pray** for a solution.

28 Facendi – Guinea-Bissau: Praise God that the Gospel of Luke in Facendi was quality-checked in August. It is the first Scripture in this language. Adapting the text to the script of the "JESUS" film has now begun. Since there are only 20 known believers in this community, let's also **pray** in advance for Facendi speakers to be willing to record their voices during the dubbing of the film.

29 Birari — South Asia Sensitive: The Birari team is producing a 2021 calendar featuring local proverbs and COVID-19 health awareness information. **Pray** for them to gain the respect of community leaders as they distribute the calendars in the community during December.

30 Worldwide: Intercede for community leaders around the world. May they fear God and seek His wisdom to serve their people unselfishly.



220-4441 76 Ave SE
Calgary AB T2C 2G8
403-444-0039 / TF 1-877-475-4483
prayer@onebook.ca www.onebook.ca