



TOGETHER IN PRAYER – May 2021



Dear friend,

We have much ground to cover. So, for this next leg of our journey we should think BIG when we petition God for GRN's needs. His glory and the salvation of countless people are at stake.

Together in prayer,

The Global Recordings USA Team



PRAY

1 Our high calling: Pray that we would be faithful in fulfilling our high calling as God's royal priesthood, willing to stand in the gap in prayer for world evangelization and GRN's part in this great mission.

2 International Leadership Team (ILT) meetings:

Director Graydon Colville and the ILT met via Zoom this past month. They discussed international concerns and sought the Lord's mind regarding future direction. Pray for godly insight and courage to follow through on decisions made.

3 Visiting the Mpi people: From GRN Thailand: "Pray that our friend N, with his family, and friends from the unreached Mpi people group, would listen to Gospel messages on an MP3 player given to them in March. Pray that they would hear God speaking to them."

4 Pray for the Muslim world: The observance of Ramadan ends May 12. Continue to pray about the Muslim world and for the people following Islamic teachings. Through the prayers of God's people and the work of His Holy Spirit, pray many will soon come to experience the new and abundant life available in Christ Jesus.

5 Special recording project: GRN is reaching out to seven minority language groups in a small Asian country. There are no known followers of Christ among these seven groups. Pray that churches in neighboring areas will work with GRN to find language helpers

6 Three target countries: GRN has a tremendous amount of recording to do in India, Indonesia, and Papua New Guinea. Half of the unrecorded languages are in these countries. Pray for an upsurge in recording opportunities. Pray too for a great increase in workers and ministry partners for these difficult areas.

7 Recording partner: Pray for Philip S. who was recently trained on GRN recording equipment and who is searching out contacts and language helpers in three unrecorded languages in Colombia. Pray for God's direction as he seeks to share God's message with these groups.

8 Trauma ministry: Tumi Tiger is a cuddly toy containing Bible stories holding an MP3 player. It is used to help and comfort needy and traumatized children. Ask God to extend its influence within South Africa and further afield.

9 Mothers' Day: *Charm is deceptive, and beauty is fleeting; but a woman who fears the Lord is to be praised. Honor her for all that her hands have done, and let her works bring her praise at the city gate* (Proverbs 31:30,31 NIV).

10 Recordist training: To keep pace with an influx of potential recordists, we need to train those who can pass on that knowledge. Pray for International Training Director Jon Rulison and teams now developing online tools for teaching remotely. Pray for speed but with great clarity.

11 August training course: Pray for plans currently underway for an August recordist training course to be held in Mexico. Pray for thorough and clear communication for trainers Larry, Chucho, Gustavo, and Chuy. Pray for God's preparation of trainees, spiritually, mentally, physically. Pray for safe travel and for provision of equipment, supplies, and housing.

12 Mexico outreach: Give thanks for a special trip organized by Mike Hendricks last month. He led 10+ volunteers to agricultural camps near Hermosillo and used film, GRN materials, and children's ministry. Praise God that 50 people came forward the first night. Pray for spiritual fruit among all who accepted Christ.

13 Reaching refugees: On another short trip to the Mexican border in April, specially prepared Spanish messages were given out on small MP3 players to refugees hoping to enter the US. Pray for a mighty work of the Holy Spirit in their lives, leading to repentance and changed lives.

14 Praying Scripture: *"This is the word of the Lord to Zerubbabel: 'Not by might nor by power, but by my Spirit,' says the Lord Almighty."* (Zach. 4:6 NIV).

15 New script for group in Thailand: The GRN Thai team is preparing a new script to record and share with the Nyaw people. Pray for cultural understanding in writing this script, and that it will speak to the hearts of the Nyaw people and meet their spiritual needs.

16 Evangelizing online: GRN is looking for more opportunities to evangelize online. As people find recorded gospel messages in their heart languages online, pray they will hear God speaking to them personally. Pray His truth will have great effect in their lives. Pray they'll get connected to His Church.

17 Good language research: Good progress in recording depends much on detailed information from our research team in collaboration with local sources. We need God to provide a whole network of researchers, linguists, and mappers working in centers, their home offices, or right on the field.

18 Language sleuths: We are very thankful for the Lord's provision of volunteers and staff who dedicate themselves to the tasks of language research, contacts, and data entry. Pray especially for Allan and John and Aprile and Patti who are researching and/or seeking contacts in several language groups.

19 Trained for battle: Pray that we would be reminded daily to put on the whole armor of God. May God train our hands for battle and arm us with strength, that He will lead us in paths of righteousness and make our feet like those of a deer, able to tread the heights.

20 USA board meeting: Pray for our board members as they gather today in Tucson, AZ, for a quarterly meeting. Pray for divine wisdom and direction for Bill Cornthwaite, Mark Pearsey, David Overstreet, Mack Timm, Nasser Jahan, Jim Lewis, Tim Strauss, Preston Korn, and Larry DeVilbiss (*ex officio*).

21 Media opportunities: Give thanks to the Lord for our new volunteer, Steve Simpson, who is eager to use the gifts and experience he has in media areas to further the ministry of GRN. Pray for God's direction in using his many skills.

22 Ecuador recordist: Pray for recordist Gustavo who seeks to obtain recordings in the Secoya language. Pray that these messages will touch many hearts. Pray for future plans for Gustavo and Ines and their two daughters, as they seek to live and serve where needed most.

23 Back to work: GRN has dozens of recordists around the world whose work has been primarily on hold for a year due to the pandemic. Pray for passion and vision as they await opportunity to get back to the work God has called them to do.

24 Audio Bibles on 5fish: As a result of our partnership with Davar Partners International, GRN will soon make available Audio Bibles in up to 60 languages on the 5fish app. Pray that these will bear much fruit for eternity.

25 Distribution: We continue to distribute picture books, MP3 players, microSD cards, and other media around the world. Pray for people to find our recordings and for the work of the Holy Spirit in the hearts and minds of those who listen.

26 European director: Pray for Samuel and Mary Bouix as they prepare for Sam to take up his new role as European director. COVID travel restrictions are hampering his plans to visit all European centers before his September start.

27 Financial partners: GRN continues to trust God for finances. Thank the Lord for the many partners he has raised up, who give faithfully to the general fund and to the GRN staff around the world. May God bless each gift, each giver.

28 Recordist's report: *"He (the pastor) was praying for three years and our presence there now was an answer to his prayers. We were translating and recording a few things in 'B' language. This brought us to tears of joy. I cried while recording and the language helper cried after recording. He said that he was nothing but was thankful to God for using his voice for gospel recording."*

29 Five hundred baptized: Through a partnership with a local church in Central African Republic, GRN was able to participate in a celebration of new believers among the pygmies who heard and responded to God. Pray for spiritual growth.

30 The Maasai in Kenya: Walter O. reports that a distribution among the Maasai recently led to follow-up with new Christians who accepted salvation. They are asking questions about more Bible teaching and how to serve God. Pray for strong spiritual growth.

31 Memorial Day: *Sing praise to the LORD, you saints of His, and give thanks at the remembrance of His holy name. For His anger is but for a moment, His favor is for a lifetime; weeping may endure for a night, but joy comes in the morning (Psalm 30:4,5).*



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