

TOGETHER IN PRAYER July 2023



Dear friend,

Thank you for praying for the least, the last and the lost – those we are attempting to reach with the Good News of Jesus Christ. Thank you also for praying for GRN workers worldwide. The book of Colossians gives us many examples of how to pray for other Christians. This month's Scripture prayers (each Sunday) are examples of how we can continue to be

Together In Prayer,

The GRN USA Team

- 1. Report from Central Asia: "We are thankful to God that LRI Missions Training center is now in use. You prayed and God answered the prayers. We are working on our solar system now. God has provided the money. Please pray as we have begun the work."
- 2. Colossians 1:3. We always thank God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, when we pray for you, because we have heard of your faith in Christ Jesus."
- 3. International Director: Praise God for Tim S. from USA who has applied for the role of International Director. The International Council will vote on Tim's appointment when they meet in October. Pray for godly discernment among GRN centers as they decide over the coming months how they will vote.
- **4. Freedom**: As we celebrate USA freedoms, let us pray for all those in bondage to sin, addictions, false religions, and all the deceit of Satan. May they know the freedom of being in Christ.
- 5. Accounting: Remember our Accounting department as they reorganize under a new Director. Pray for a good fit and speedy return to normal daily operations.
- 6. Changes in Europe: Pray for GRN Spain as they work out the changes involved in being an independent base. Sam B. (European Director) is mentoring base leader Joel F. Pray also for Carlos and Valeria on the team in Spain.
- 7. Partners in Cameroon: Give thanks for our team in Cameroon. Pray for local partners who will help with the recording process, contribute to the recording costs, and then use those recordings to build up God's church.
- 8. Senegal: Dalene asks prayer for the 100 Good News flip charts and players that were sent recently to Senegal. Pray for protection for these resources, with timely arrival to their destination and God-directed distribution.

- 9. Colossian 1:9. For this reason, since the day we heard about you we have not stopped praying for you and asking God to fill you with the knowledge of His will through all spiritual wisdom and understanding.
- 10. Trainees: Good news from W. Africa is that five new French speaking recordists will be trained in Cameroon in the coming months. Pray for Joseph, who will coordinate a course and supervise the trainees.
- **11. GRN Switzerland:** Pray for their Board as they seek to ramp up ministry within their country as well as continue to oversee operations of several francophone African countries.
- 12. Bible dedication: In the 1980s GRN recordists made recordings in Apal, a small language group in Papua New Guinea. This was the beginning of God's work in the hearts of these people. On August 1 a published Bible in the Apal language will be dedicated, thanks to initial GRN contact in 1985 with a translator who steadfastly followed through. Praise God with us.
- 13. Closed countries: Many countries are closed to the Gospel and our workers cannot go there, but the 5fish app can enter in safely. In places where people are at risk distributing Gospel materials, the 5fish app gets God's Word out.
- 14. Indonesia: Lift up the International Leadership
 Team in prayer as they seek to understand and
 help resolve some important issues there. Ask
 the Lord to straighten the path for impactful
 GRN ministry throughout those many island and
 languages.
- 15. Funding God's work: National bases in developing countries rely in faith on God's provision for finances for their GRN ministry. GRN funding centers help out, but we pray that God will supply resources from churches and ministry partners in-country. Pray for God's blessing on partnerships worldwide.

- 16. Colossians 1:10. And we pray this in order that you may live a life worthy of the Lord and may please Him in every way; bearing fruit in every good work, growing in the knowledge of God.
- 17. Mike H: USA staff member, Mike, has a real gift for discipling young men on mission trips and encouraging them to consider missions as a part of their lives. Pray for him as he takes groups on short term trips to Mexico during the summer, autumn, and beyond.
- 18. Language library: For locations with poor internet service, or none at all, a "library" of messages can be loaded on a hard drive in the desired languages of the area where it will be used. Pray that many doing outreach will find this tool useful for ministry.
- 19. Report from Venezuela: A missionary distributing our recordings recently wrote: "... the funny thing is, [this] is material from the early 60s that my parents had helped worked on. Our prayer is, God is going to use these recordings, done so long ago, to open hearts to HIS love for them. Pray with us about this."
- 20. Re-start in India: The GRN International Leadership Team is currently exploring two new proposals which may prove fruitful in getting GRN back to work in India. Please pray for God's leading and grace to allow GRN to resume ministry in this highly-populated land.
- 21. 100 Tigers: Praise God that 100 Tumi Tigers are on their way from GRN USA to Ukrainian refugees overseas. Pray for the many children (and their families) who will hear about God's message of hope, comfort, and love through these unique players.
- **22. Tumi sponsors:** We are thankful for donors who have sponsored the Tumi players, and we continue to pray for more resources to supply other churches and ministries working among any Ukrainian refugees around the world.

- 23. Colossians 3:12-14. Therefore, as God's chosen people, clothe yourselves with compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness, and patience. And over all these virtues put on love, which binds them all together in perfect unity.
- 24. Sharing the messages: An Amazonia missionary played GRN messages for a visitor; then he begged for a player so he could take it home and let his mother and her sisters hear it, too. Join us in praying for God to use these recordings to break the villages of the Ocamo River area wide open for the Gospel.
- 25. Hope for refugees: The world is full of refugees and immigrants seeking to re-establish their lives in foreign places. Pray for God's mercy upon these people and ask our Lord to give GRN opportunity to take the Good News to them in their own languages.
- **26. Mexico:** Pray for our recording teams in Mexico as they go through difficulties. Our founder, Joy, used to call these hard things "Good Rejoicing Practice." May we be as faithful in our response.
- **27. Leadership**: Pray for God-honoring wisdom, relationships, and time management as we tackle diverse ministry challenges. Pray for rest to balance the demands and stresses of the "relentless privilege" of leading this work.
- 28. New workers: We are happy to announce that Wayne L. and Jill N. are working with the GRN USA team. Thank God for these experienced workers giving of time and talent to fill in the gaps in our staff.
- 29. Home from Thailand: Pray for Dan and Na and their sons who are in the States for six months. May the Lord give them rest and refreshment amidst many meetings and travels.
- **30.** Colossians 4:3-4. Pray for us too, that God may open a door for our message, so that I (we) may proclaim the mystery of Christ... Pray that I may proclaim it clearly, as I should.

31. GRN Bangladesh: Pray for Milton and Moloy as they continue to develop recording skills. Give thanks for the three Look, Listen and Live (LLL) recordings they made with Australia's Chris M. in the Koda language. Pray as they prepare to record three more books.





Devote yourselves to prayer,
being watchful and thankful.
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so that we may proclaim the mystery of Christ.
(Col. 4:2-3)

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