



Evangelising the cities of Africa
through word and deed in
partnership with the Church

A photograph of a group of African children, likely in a rural setting, with their hands raised in prayer. The children are looking upwards with expressions of devotion. The bottom portion of the image is overlaid with a large, textured orange brushstroke that serves as a background for the title text.

PRAAYER DIARY

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Spotlight on Ghana & region (Francophone Africa)

The world has significantly changed since our last prayer points, and we would love you to pray forward for our future missions in Togo and Kenya, as the countries lockdown through the Coronavirus pandemic. Please pray for our preparations and the protection for evangelising Togo's capital city Lome.



May 2020

- 01** Give thanks for the large numbers of Christians and churches in Ghana. Pray they would proclaim the Gospel faithfully.
- 02** Pray for Ben Sachie, AE Ghana Team Leader, that he will lead his team and community with wisdom, honouring God in everything.
- 03** Pray for the participating churches in Lome, Togo, to be unified in fellowship as they prepare for the mission.
- 04** Pray that the Holy Spirit would be preparing hearts of unbelievers to receive God's Word in Lome.
- 05** Pray for Christians in Lome to be equipped and motivated to know and tell the Gospel.

Along with many other African nations, Togo suffers from the distribution of fake medicines, which according to the World Health Organization could represent up to 60% of all medical products in some countries. Please pray that effective regulations will be enforced for the sake of its people.
- 07** The majority of the Tongolese practice animism, which in some cases has crept into some church practice. Pray that all people professing faith in Christ will renounce any involvement in such practices and trust in God alone.
- 08** Pray for God to raise up many more godly Christian leaders in Francophone Africa (including Togo) who will handle God's Word well.
- 09** Pray for more Christian literature to be available in Francophone Africa.
- 10** In some Francophone African countries, evangelism is dangerous. Pray for courage and wisdom for Christian leaders in this area.
- 11** Pray for the French-speaking Church in Africa to be so strengthened that they are able to evangelise the rest of the French-speaking world.
- 12** Pray for those preparing for the Lome mission to be steadfast in prayer and growing in their understanding of God's powerful word.
- 13** Pray that political leaders in West Africa will understand that God has placed them in their role to do good to honour Him.
- 14** Please pray that graduates of AE ministry courses be effective in implementing their learning and growth amongst their congregations and new believers.
- 15** Pray that these graduates from AE-run courses would be faithfully discipling others in their ministry.

- 16** Thank God for the partnership with Campus for Christ, Togo, who will be assisting in the follow-up of new Christians from the mission.
- 17** Pray for the AE Ghana team and their families that they might be strengthened and encouraged in their work.
- 18** Please pray for the conversion of people in North Africa, which continues to be devastated by Islamic extremism, poverty and fear.

Islamic terrorist attack casualties in Burkina Faso, Mali and Niger have been increasing: please pray for protection and effective ministry for Christians there.
- 20** Pray for more Christians to witness for Jesus in North Africa and the growth of the Church there.
- 21** Please pray for the safety of Christians in North Africa and their effectiveness of promoting the Gospel to overcome repression and fear.
- 22** Please pray for the Lome, Togo mission that is postponed until later in the year due to the Coronavirus, focusing on leadership.
- 23** Pray for people in Lome to know God's power over evil and to be free from fear, especially from the prevalent voodoo beliefs.
- 24** Pray for outreach on university campuses in Lome and for the government to allow more Christian activities there.
- 25** Pray that Christians in Lome will reject any involvement in animism or ancestor worship.
- 26** Togo has a poor human rights record. Pray that those in power would come to recognise all humans as made in God's image.
- 27** Pray for the future free medical camp, which is part of the AE mission, that the care brought through the love of Christ would impact the recipients.
- 28** Togo has at least 40 ethnic groups, and only Jesus can unite them whilst still respecting their differences. Pray that Jesus would unite nationalities in Africa.
- 29** Pray for mission volunteers in Lome to be bold in their proclamation of the risen Jesus.
- 30** Pray for the future Presidential Breakfast – that leaders will be strengthened in conviction to honour God and manage their countries well.
- 31** Pray that, those following up new converts, will be effective in strengthening faith and growth..

Note: Due to the coronavirus pandemic, AE's mission focus will change to preparing pastors for future mission and social action initiatives such as food distribution, making of facemasks and sanitary items.

Spotlight on Tanzania & Rwanda

Tanzania is a relatively stable country politically, although its 50 million citizens remain some of the poorest in the world. Rwanda 'land of a thousand hills' is known for emerging from the 1994 Genocide into one of the better-governed countries, and is one of the most densely populated countries in Africa.



June 2020

Dar es Salaam

- 01 Mission was due to begin this month in Dar es Salaam, the largest city and the former political and commercial capital of Tanzania. Pray for the Holy Spirit's leading as we prepare ahead for the mission in safer times.
- 02 This mission will target leaders ahead of the Presidential elections later this year. Pray that all leaders will be convicted to lead with justice and righteousness as they honour God, and that elections will be peaceful.
- 03 Pray for all necessary permits and resources to be made available for the mission.
- 04 Pray for participating churches to be unified in the Gospel.
- 05 Pray for Felix Mshomi, AET Team Leader, to lead with wisdom and humility.
- 06 Please pray that mission coordinators will bring great glory to God.
- 07 There is a general atmosphere of fear, uncertainty and hopelessness in Dar es Salaam, and even more so with the Coronavirus crisis. Pray that the mission there would enable the Church to bring unity and moral authority into this situation.
- 08 Pray that the mission efforts with leaders this year will lay the foundation for a full stratified evangelistic mission in Dar es Salaam in 2021.

Rubavu, Rwanda

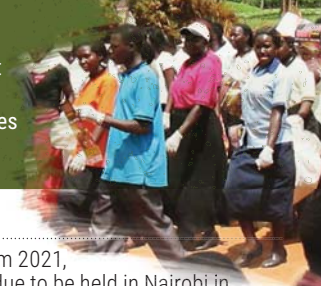
- 09 AE Rwanda is due to carry out a mission in the important business and tourist district of Rubavu on Lake Kivu. Pray for their preparations and the appropriate new timing of the mission.
- 10 Pray for AE staff as they encourage 150 Christian leaders to engage in evangelism in Rubavu.
- 11 Pray for Pastor Training Course graduates in Kigali to continue to grow in biblical understanding and to be faithful in their preaching.
- 12 Pray for all AE Rwanda staff to fulfil the model of servant leadership they are called to.
- 13 Please pray for the effective witness of evangelistic organisations in Rwanda, and AE's role as having one of the largest influences for Christ's love in the country.
- 14 Praise God for the way He has used AE in both mission and reconciliation work since the genocide.

- 15 Mission preparations continue for Rubavu, which is Rwanda's biggest lakeside resort and border city with important trade links.
- 16 Rubavu is 17% Muslim. Pray for evangelistic opportunities amongst this group.
- 17 Pray that many eyes and hearts will be turned to seek the kingdom of God as their first priority in the midst of their busy schedules.
- 18 Pray for the outreach to prisoners and street children in Rubavu, and that the follow-up of those who make commitments will be conducted thoroughly.
- 19 Pray for the outreach to prostitutes in Rubavu.
- 20 Pray that local Christians in Rubavu see themselves as ambassadors for Christ and have passion to tell outsiders about Jesus.
- 21 Rubavu borders the Democratic Republic of Congo. Pray that the mission would also reach people from there who will return and spread the Gospel there.
- 22 Pray for many to be transferred from the kingdom of darkness to the kingdom of light and for effective discipleship programs.
- 23 Pray for the preservation of the harvest of souls from Rubavu.

Tanzania

- 24 May God make the churches in Tanzania like Smyrna – rich in faith, good works and love despite their poverty (Revelation 2:9).
- 25 Pray for peaceful and fair elections in Tanzania later this year. There have been accusations that the government has been increasingly repressing political dissent.
- 26 Pray for protection and strengthening of Christians in Zanzibar, especially Muslim Background Believers, who live in this 98% Muslim part of Tanzania.
- 27 Pray that pastors in Tanzania would not be led astray by prosperity teachings, but will point their congregations to the inheritance that cannot perish, spoil or fade (1 Peter 1:4).
- 28 Pray for the strengthening and fruitfulness of para-church organisations such as the Bible Society and the Tanzania Fellowship of Evangelical Students.
- 29 Give thanks for the work AE has done in educating students about HIV for over 10 years, and that this would bear fruit in both better health outcomes and for the Gospel.
- 30 Pray for the ongoing confidence of Christian leaders in God's Word and His justice.

Spotlight on Kenya Kenya continues to enjoy relative economic and political stability, although there is a constant threat from the Islamic terror groups and the Coronavirus crisis will have a deep impact on the nation's wellbeing. Our focus in the midst of the pandemic is to train pastors in preparation for mission and discipleship, and engage in social action initiatives to slow the spread of the virus and save lives. Please pray for the mission preparations for Meru and follow up for Mombasa.



July 2020

- 01** Thank God for the freedom to practice faith in Kenya. Pray that the many nominal Christians will be transformed from the inside out by the work of the Holy Spirit.
- 02** Thank God for Stephen Mbogo's (International Team Leader, based in Kenya) leadership of AE and pray for his discernment, energy and wisdom.
- 03** Pray for the Kenyan Foxfires as they evangelise in schools. Help these young people to gain experience that will enable them to reach many more over their lifetime.
- 04** Pray for outreach to drug users and prostitutes; that the message of God's forgiveness and acceptance will be made clear and He would give them strength to overcome.
- 05** Pray for outreach at Kenya's universities – that God would raise up a new generation of disciple-makers.
- 06** Thank God for the training AE has provided to churches and organisations to equip them for proclamation.
- 07** Thank God for the ongoing work of the Mathare Women's Project and pray that these women will bring glory to God.
- 08** Pray for AE Kenya's work amongst Kenya's leaders, that they would always put Jesus first and honour God in all their decisions.
- 09** Thank God for Foxfire alumni who continue to mentor the new teams. Ask that they may continue in faithfulness.
- 10** An estimated 10% of Kenyans still have no access to toilets. Thank God for the provision of latrines in the Korogocho Slum and pray that opportunities for Gospel work would increase.
- 11** Pray for Mombasa's youth, that the power of the Gospel to change lives, especially through Foxfires youth evangelism, will reduce the high prevalence of drug abuse, teenage pregnancy, and illiteracy.
- 12** Pray that God will continue to prepare the hearts of the millions who will hear the Gospel this year, and will save them through your work in equipping His people for outreach and training pastors.
- 13** Many pastors have had no theological training. Pray that AE will be able to meet this need for the many hundreds involved in missions and discipleship.
- 14** Pray for AE Kenya Team Leader, Benson Omondi, that God would be glorified through his leadership and mission focus.
- 15** Nigeria has seen a strong increase in violent attacks against Christians by Islamic extremists. Pray for the protection of Christians and their trust in God to remain firm.

- 16** Pray for the preparations for Proclaim 2021, the Evangelist's Congress that was due to be held in Nairobi in December, now deferred to next year, and jointly hosted by AE and the Lausanne Movement.
- 17** Corruption is still very prevalent in Kenya. Pray that Kenyan Christians will take a stand for truth, for the sake of future generations and to build their country on the rock of Christ.
- 18** Please pray for the mission preparations for Kampala Uganda which have been impacted by Coronavirus.
- 19** Pray for unity in the Gospel amongst Kenyan churches. In particular, that the difference between the true Gospel and the so-called 'prosperity Gospel' may be clear.
- 20** Pray that those responsible for following up converts from Mombasa North in 2019 will nurture these 'babes in Christ' with fervour, and that none would be lost.
- 21** Pray that the follow-up would aim to present everyone fully mature in Christ (Colossians 1:28).
- 22** Thank God for the provision for a water project in Kaloleni prison, Mombasa; may this expression of love turn many prisoners to Christ, the living water.
- 23** Please pray that Kenya will be equipped to care for its people through the coronavirus crisis, and will prepare the country to emerge stronger in Christ in the future.
- 24** Pray for those churches/groups that have participated in last year's Mombasa North Mission; that they would continue to be motivated for evangelism.
- 25** Pray for individual mission volunteers to continue to grow in their knowledge of Christ and the power of His resurrection (Philippians 3:10).
- 26** Pray for all AE International staff, based in Nairobi, to be faithful in their own walk with the Lord.
- 27** Pray for preparations for 'Love Nairobi', a great outreach planned for 2021 in association with the Luis Palau Association.
- 28** Pray that ongoing follow-up from AE to partner churches in Mombasa may result in mutual strengthening and encouragement.
- 29** Pray for Emmanuel Kwizera, International Missions Director, based in Kenya, for continued passion for the lost, and dependence upon Jesus.
- 30** Today is World Day against trafficking in persons. At any given moment, 3.5 million Africans are being trafficked, mostly within the continent. Pray for God's rescuing.
- 31** Please pray for the health and well-being of Africa through the coronavirus crisis, that they would be well prepared and able to care for their community during this time.

A quick word



Dear AE Family Friend,

Thank you for praying for lives and nations to be transformed in Africa by the Lord Jesus Christ.

I just wanted to remind you that our brothers and sisters in Africa are also facing the challenges associated with the coronavirus. Please pray especially for the vulnerable refugee populations, and other marginalised communities, that have less access to help.

In all things, our hope and confidence remain firmly in the Lord! As Isaiah 40:31 (NIV) says:

"But those who hope in the Lord will renew their strength. They will soar on wings like eagles; they will run and not grow weary, they will walk and not be faint."

May God bless, strengthen and encourage you today, as you continue to pray for the salvation and healing of people in Africa.

Yours in Christ,

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