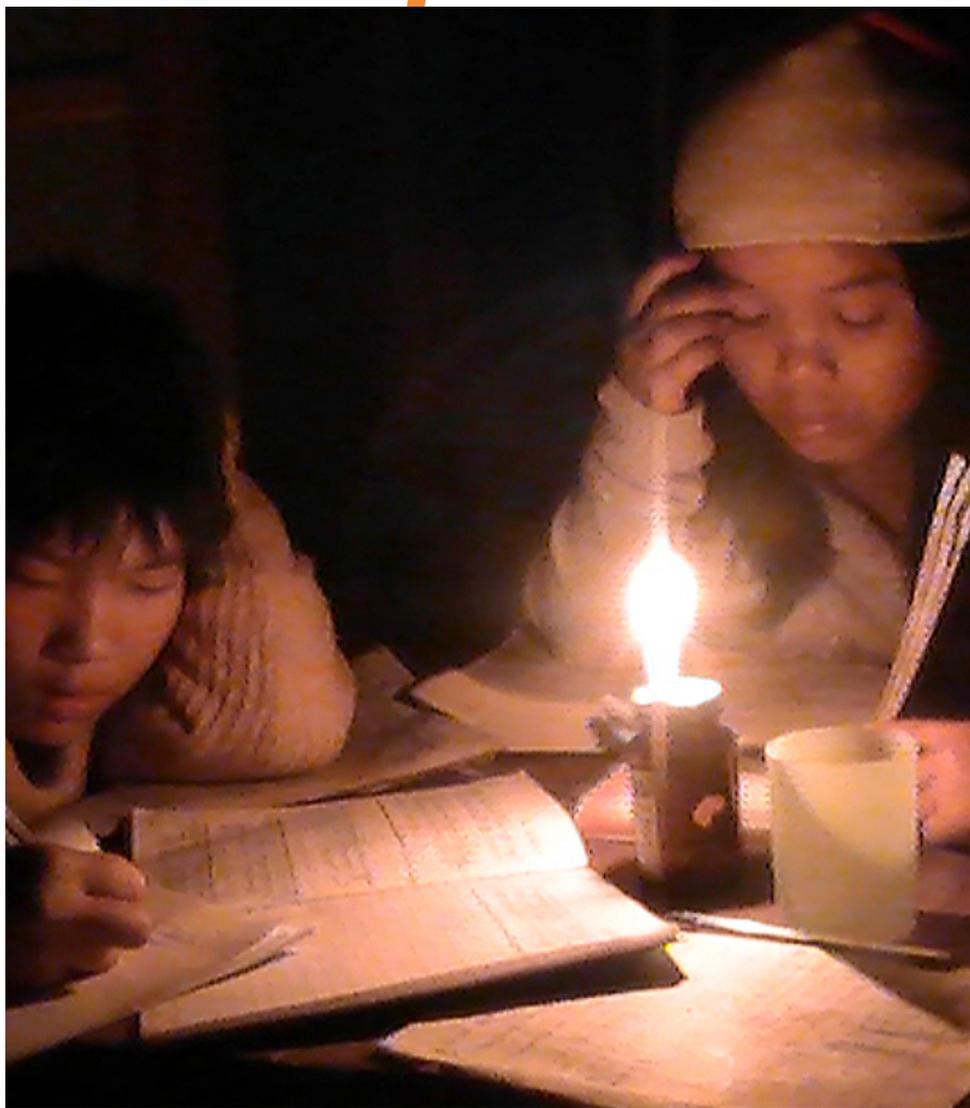


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Prayer POINTS



**In him was life, and that life was the light of all mankind.
The light shines in the darkness,
and the darkness has not overcome it.**

John 1:4-5 (NIV)

1 Hapuma — South Asia Sensitive: A pastor we call Jopha has led many Hapuma people to Christ. He is experiencing direct spiritual attacks. For example, a voice in the night told him to stop preaching or else nobody will come to his church. Jopha refused to stop his ministry, and nobody showed up to church. The Hapuma project facilitator prayed with Jopha, and when he returned home he found his own daughter had fallen sick. Father, we join in prayer with those who are daily asking you to **strengthen pastor Jopha**. We also ask you to **heal** the facilitator's daughter. **Shine in this darkness!**



2 OneBook Staff: Father, when OneBook staff members experience discouragement because fundraising efforts do not bring anticipated results and staff shortages make our workloads heavier than we think we can bear, **lighten our loads**. May we continue to hope in your faithfulness.

3 SURAM — Cameroon: Praise God! The Scripture Use Survey and Ministry (SURAM) team reports that the Hdi New Testament, dedicated in the far north of Cameroon, has made a big difference for the faith of the believers in the community. The community took care of the translator's expenses while they drafted the Old Testament. Holy Spirit, **continue to transform this community**.

4 Sengwer Cherangany — Kenya: The first portion of Scripture, the Gospel of Luke, was published in Sengwer Cherangany this year. Jesus, **may the story of Your birth be read with joy** in the Sengwer Cherangany language during the Christmas season.

5 OneBook: God, **multiply Your financial blessings** to donors this month so that they can generously and joyfully give to Bible printing efforts this Christmas season. Please **keep the printing machines from breakdown** and reduce the queue of texts awaiting publication.

6 Warka Old Testament — South Asia Sensitive: Even though the rate of persecution has drastically increased in the nation, the Warka churches are not being targeted. Many of the believers are waiting and praying for a favorable time and place to witness their faith without facing opposition from outsiders. God, **show them the time and place.**

7 Kabras — Kenya: The "JESUS" film script translated into Kabarisi was prepared during the summer and the dubbing of this film that dramatizes the life of Jesus is being recorded by over a dozen Kabarisi people this month. God, **help people to read with confidence**, overcoming any fears they may have of the microphone.

8 Kassin Old Testament — South Asia Sensitive: The Kassin Old Testament project facilitator and his wife and baby are young and need mentoring in their new role. They are living with an experienced couple in their organization. This couple is also teaching the new Kassin translators some more skills. Father, **unite them in Your love** as they live and learn together.

9 Nirgam — South Asia Sensitive: Father, we **pray for Nirgam mother-tongue workers Ishaan, Akash, and Robin. May they work well together** as a team, helping each other accomplish their unique contributions to the project and overcoming obstacles in prayer.

10 Birari — South Asia Sensitive: We have been asking God to strengthen the Birari team as they face opposition. God answered this prayer! A Birari translator received a visit from a man who came from a very remote village. Somehow this man had obtained the Gospel of Mark mobile app. The translator followed him back to his village and boldly proclaimed the Gospel to 20 eager people who had gathered in anticipation. They want him to return every week! **Thank You, God, for this encouragement.**

11 Jam Ma Cluster – Cameroon: The Gamata, Kwanay, and Parak teams recently completed the translation of 1 John. They ask us to pray for God's truth to shine on the hypocrisy of some churchgoers. 1 John 1:6 says, "If we claim to have fellowship with him and yet walk in the darkness, we lie and do not live out the truth." Father, **pull these people out of darkness.**



12 Donali – South Asia Sensitive: Last year Darsh and Siya met a group of Donali believers and gave them audio recordings of Bible stories in Donali. This summer, Darsh delivered draft copies of the Gospel of Mark to these believers and collected their feedback. Now, this Gospel has been quality-checked. It is the first Scripture in Donali. **Praise God!** Lord, **help** these believers grow in their knowledge of You as they reflect on Your Word.

13 Mankon – Cameroon: The Mankon project team rejoices with the great mobilization of their community for the read-through of the New Testament, a final step before the typesetting which was successfully completed in August. Holy Spirit, **remind these people** of all they heard in Your Word.

14 Nzime Old Testament — Cameroon: Two influential leaders of Nzime churches were brought to their knees during a recent Gospel and Culture workshop after they researched the meaning behind some of their cultural practices and found out what the Bible says about it. God, **may their repentance spark a revival** in the Nzime church.

15 Mfumte Cluster — Cameroon: Praise God for the growing support of the project from the elite in the Mfumte Cluster. They recently purchased a generator for the Kwaja project office and telephones for the Koffa translators.

16 Facendi — West Africa Sensitive: OneBook's partner organization in Guinea-Bissau is having trouble connecting with the technicians who agreed to help them get the Facendi "JESUS" film script prepared and recorded. Father, **open the lines of communication** and remind the technicians of their promise.

17 Rabas — South Asia Sensitive: We prayed for project facilitator Sanaam during her pregnancy. **Praise God** for the safe delivery of a baby girl. Lord, **may this child grow up to love and serve You** as her parents do.

18 Lowu — Indonesia: God, we **pray for Yulia and Tara** as they continue to translate Sunday School materials for Lowu preschoolers. **Thank You** for the new generation of Lowu children who are being raised in the fear and knowledge of You.

19 CABTAL Consultant Capacity Building — Cameroon: Praise God that technical mentoring is crossing borders in Africa. Two Cameroonian IT technicians are travelling to the DR Congo to meet their mentees and begin coaching them. God, **may their internet communication be clear** as Frans and Etienne provide ongoing mentoring.

20 Mfumte Cluster — Cameroon: We've been praying for all the Koffa and Kwaja staff to get their national IDs replaced for easy crossing of national and regional boundaries. All of them have now been issued new cards. **Thank You, Lord,** for this freedom to travel. We **pray** for safety along the paths and roads they take.

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21 Mehra Old Testament — Asia - Sensitive Area: A Mehra woman called Anna came to Christ when she saw the difference Jesus made in her brother, who left alcohol to follow You. Now, another brother has joined them in their faith. Lord, we **pray for Anna's parents and four other siblings to trust and obey You.**

22 Mofu-Gudur — Cameroon: The book of Proverbs is now translated into Mofu-Gudur and available on a mobile phone app. God, **may Your wise Words be widely shared and followed,** making a difference in the community.

23 South Asia Sensitive: Father God, please **comfort Sam,** the director of our national partner in South Asia, as he and his mother and siblings grieve the recent death of his father. **Thank You** for the godly heritage that Sam received from him.

24 Ring Road Cluster — Cameroon: As the Bamendankew Bible storyteller was sharing stories with a group that gathers weekly, a lady entered the room with the help of her nephew. The woman suffered from sores on her legs that no doctor could heal. She raised her voice saying, "What about those of us who have been forgotten by both God and man?" The Holy Spirit led the storyteller to share the story of Job who trusted God despite his suffering. Everyone prayed for her. The next week, she eagerly shared how the sores were healing. She can now walk to church every Sunday and wants to become a Bible storyteller herself. **Praise and glory go to You, God!**

25 Kura Old Testament — Highland Asia Sensitive: Recently, a young Kura woman we call Karin accepted Jesus as Lord and Savior. Today she is joining her new spiritual family in her first celebration of Jesus coming to earth! Karin loves to sing Kura hymns and choruses. Lord, **our hearts rejoice with Karin today, united across the world in thanks for the gift of Your Son.**



26 **Nawila Old Testament — East Africa Sensitive:** The annual Nawila discipleship retreat is taking place today. God, **give Your words** to Jacob, our national partner's project facilitator, and Nawila staff members Kiona and Nyawira as they answer difficult questions and teach believers how to trust and know You more.

27 **Jam Ma Cluster — Cameroon:** The Parak literacy teachers were applauded by their community leader who said, "I am happy that every level of our society has access to these classes. This proves the high value we place on mother-tongue literacy." Lord, **bring many new students to classes** that start in a few weeks.

28 **Guinea-Bissau:** Guinea Bissau schools are often closed because teachers are on strike, demanding payment of salaries and allowances in arrears. God, **soften the hardened hearts** of authorities and solve this problem.

29 Mpumpong – Cameroon: Praise God! The Mpumpong dictionary of 15,000 words is now available. God, **help the literacy teachers** reach their goal of having 10,000 people literate in their language before the New Testament arrives.



30 Weh – Cameroon: Audio recordings of all the Gospels in Weh are now being used in listening groups. Lord, **help the leaders remember and apply** all they have learned about leading these groups.

31 Bali Old Testament – South Asia Sensitive: Lord, please **help the Bali translators recruit** and train someone who is eager to introduce people to God's Word in their heart language. **Praise God** for the new material ready to promote: a songbook, selections from the book of Psalms, and an audio recording of the New Testament.