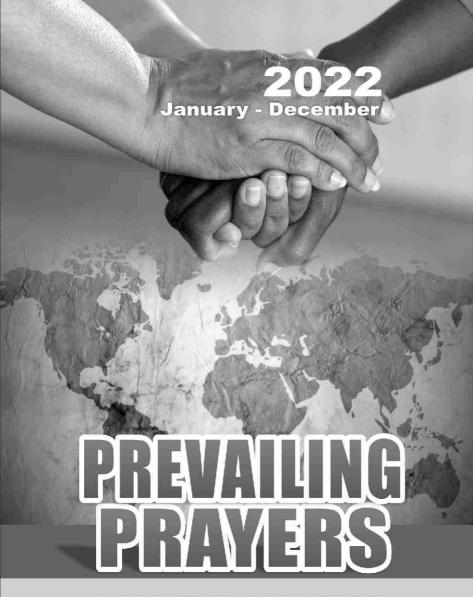


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ear Missions loving and Missions prioritized Nigerian Baptist Convention family members, we welcome you a new partnership year 2022. We thank God for you all for your partnership over the years through fervent prayers, loving support, infallible encouragement and unparalleled understanding. May God through Jesus Christ bless and reward your love and partnership with Him and His stewards to ensure that Jesus Christ is known in all nations. Amen.

We encourage everyone to make use of this booklet to pray for the ministry of God. Missions is spiritual warfare. If we can begin and win the battle on our knees as we labour through prayers everyday, we are sure that the battle is already won.

Let us join our hearts to pray for unity, oneness, togetherness and love among Nigerian Baptist family members. Let us pray for Muslims and other people groups for the Prince of Peace to rule and reign in their hearts and lives. Let us pray for Mission revival and reawakening among the Nigerian Baptist family members consequently making us all to return back to our first love for Mission Emphasis Sundays and weeks in our Churches.

The booklet will provide information on some Unreached and Unengaged People groups, it will also encourage us to pray for our Muslim brothers and sisters especially on Fridays. Let us jointly make use of this booklet to hasten the speedy completion of the Great Commission mandate of our Lord and Master.

We do appreciate our dear Convention president, our Vice Presidents, our Directors, our Board Chairman, all Board members, all our Conference Presidents, all our Pastors, Deacons, Leaders and every Nigerian Baptist member for their love, prayers, support, encouragement and understanding. The Lord will continue to bless and keep us all.

We thank all the GMB staff members and those who work round the clock to ensure that this booklet is produced. The Lord will reward all your love and sacrifices for His Kingdom business.

May God Himself make use of this prayer booklet for the furtherance of His Kingdom business. Amen

Thanks for the grace to serve.

Adewumi, Oluwafemi John

Director, GMB, NBC.



Lesus told his disciples always to pray and not give up. God is always alongside us and ready to listen. Anyone can pray, at any time and in any place. Prayer is giving our attention to God in a two-way spiritual relationship where we talk to God and also listen to Him. Prayer is like a child's conversation with their father. It is natural for a child to ask his father for the things they need, or to ask for advice or guidance. We pray for ourselves, our needs and wants (supplication). We report situations to God (petition). We pray for others (intercession) with passion for a positive change. It is expected of all Christians to intercede for the nations that are yet to experience the light of God's grace.

In this year, mission exercise of the Nigerian Baptist Convention needs positive change in terms of soul winning, planting of Churches in the Unreached and Unengaged People Group. We need to pray to change religious statistics in each nation that restricts Gospel of Christ. Some nations have 99.9% of Muslim worshipers while others allow just less than one person for other religion like Christianity. The missionaries are putting their best into the task but the prayer force from home (Churches) has power to grant them open door and opportunities to spread the Gospel.

This year of great change, we call to every Christian to pray for Muslim faithful during this year 2022 Ramadan Fasting and weekly short prayers on Jumaat day service (Fridays). On Wednesdays, we call for prayers for Countries around the Near East, Far East, Middle East and Northern Africa, mostly dominated by Islam

(operationworld.org, www.prayercast.com). On the first day of the week, we call for prayers for the remaining Unreached People Group in Nigeria. We therefore call for prayers for all missionaries, mission pastors, GMB office staff members and Board members on daily basis on their birthdays and wedding anniversaries.

We printed 20,000 copies of this booklet to raise prayer altar of 20,000 believers. THIS BOOKLET IS FREE. Get one copy and pray for missions. If you need more copies for families and friends, you can contact the GMB office. The contacts of our missionaries (Home and International) are included in the booklet.

Prayer still works. Pray with your family members, Church members and fellowship members. May God open doors for positive change in mission enterprises in this year. Amen

#### Allen Olatunde

Media Ministerial Officer, GMB



his vision is our effort to reach to reach Muslims through specific, consistent and heartfelt prayer. Each person using this prayer bulleting will prayerfully select five Muslims who may be family members, relatives, neighbours, friends or acquitances. Their names will be written in the space provided below and each day this prayer booklet is used, their names will be presented to God for salvation and other blessings that flow from God.





Global Missions Board produces 20,000 copies of *Prevailing Prayer Booklets* annually, if everyone that receives this prayer

booklet bulleting and their family members will faithfully intercede for Muslims in accordance with this vision, we will be sure that the Baptist family is praying daily for the salvation of 100,000 known Muslims by name.

This is the first practical step to show our love and commitment to Muslim Evangelism that the GMB promotes among Baptist members and Churches.

**Note:** Aside from the list below, you may encourage each of your family members to keep their private list of Muslims that they will be committed to praying for

everyday.

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issionary Volunteer's Scheme is a program that gives working class people the opportunity to plan and spend their annual leave for the Great Commission. It gives the people the needed opportunity to contribute their quota to the fulfilment of the Great Commission by spending part of their annual leave on the field with some particular **Unreached People Groups.** 



Therefore, all mission lovers are hereby invited to **Go-A-Fishing** with us on the following mission fields.

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Together, we will move the Gospel forward.



# Thanksgiving for another year SATURDAY, JANUARY 1

Thank the Lord for everything He has done in our lives, thank Him for making all things new. Thank Him for another opportunity granted unto us to see the end of last year, and thank Him for doors of opportunities He will open to us this year. Glory, honour, adoration, and praises be unto His Holy name, for giving us the opportunity to see the New Year 2022. Let us thank God for seeing us through the year 2021, may His name be praised. Thank God for all His goodness and mercies enjoyed in the course of the past year. Praise God for all supporters of GMB's missions efforts in the just concluded year. Thank God for many who will join God at work in Convention missions' activities this current year.

Birthday: Shehu Usman

#### PEOPLE GROUP OF THE WEEK

Meet the **Lopawa people group** of Kebbi and Niger States. They speak Lopa language and reside in Ngaski and Magama Local Government Areas. Their population is approximately 10,000 and their engagement is in progress. This implies that one or more missionary organization(s) are trying to reach them with the Gospel of Christ. Their dominant religion is Islam and they have no Bible translated to their language yet. Let us pray for these people group that the Lord will make the efforts of the missionary organizations trying to reach the Lopawa people group a success. Let us also

pray that God will grant inspiration for the translation of the Bible into Lopa language. Let us ask that God will take over Ngaski and Magama Local Government areas for Christ.

## **SUNDAY, JANUARY 2**

Thank God for The President of the Nigerian Baptist Convention, Rev. Dr. Israel Adelani Akanji, the Vice Presidents: Ministerial, Administration, and Finance namely; Rev. Dr. Dickson Madoghwe, Deacon

Emmanuel Musa Ubandoma and Deacon Joseph Abiodun Oloyede respectfully; the GMB Chairman, Dn Prof. Chokor Boyowa Anthony; the Director, Rev. Dr. Oluwafemi Adewumi and the Management team. Pray that God will grant all the Convention leaders new revelations and insight to lead Baptist families in mission efforts this year 2022.



# **MONDAY, JANUARY 3**

Let us thank God for another year for all Convention Staff. Let us appreciate God for protection, preservation and for keeping us all away from evil. Ask the Lord for protection and strength in 2022 for all our Missionaries and Mission workers. Let us pray for the spiritual health of all GMB staff and Missionaries and those who serve

one way or the other. Ask that God will bless the efforts of the Board this year in soul winning.

# **TUESDAY, JANUARY 4**

Let's thank God for the life of GMB Director, Rev. Dr. Femi Adewumi for protection over his life throughout the



year 2021. Let's thank God for journey mercies throughout all his journeys in the past years. God has been awesome to his family and himself. Appreciate God for His mighty deliverance and wonderful care upon them. Thank God for sound health and sound mind. Give God all the praise for what He has done and greater things that He will do through him and his team this year.

Birthday: Benedict Ishaya, Ine Adeoye

# WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 5

# Algeria

The largest nation (land area) in Africa, Algeria has faced very great problems. Islamic expansions during the 8th and 11th centuries were highly influential, as the new religion and Arabic language were brought to the region. Algeria needs more workers to help strengthen the local Church and to bring the Gospel to the unreached millions. Several agencies reach out to Algerians through radio, literature, satellite TV, portable media, and Bible correspondence courses. With the growing pressure on Churches in Algeria from the Government, it is very important to have Christian resources in languages and formats that will allow the persecuted Church to continue to grow and spread. Praise God for the increase of these resources, and pray for wider distribution of same. Pray for God's Word to get into the hands, homes, and hearts of Algerians. Pray for intensifying persecution to embolden and multiply this growing Church. Pray for equipped and compassionate Algerian believers to proclaim Jesus throughout the Country.

Birthday: Rose Asuai

# THURSDAY, JANUARY 6

Pray for the Director of GMB, that his strength shall be renewed, that the Lord will endow him with fresh anointing this year. Pray for clear vision, good judgment and understanding of God's will in all the decisions that will be taken this year. Let's pray for greater achievement and success as he leads his team this year for the assignment God has given unto him. Pray to God that whatever he lays his hands upon this year shall prosper. Pray that God will empower, strengthen and anoint him the more to fulfill His assignments.

#### FRIDAY, JANUARY 7

Thank God for the General Workers' Conference for the year 2021 which was held virtually due to the COVID 19 pandemic. Despite the challenges experienced, the program recorded great successes. Thank God for the different issues that were raised, the lessons learned and the greater successes of this year's edition. Pray for journey mercies for all those who will be traveling for the programs in the different centers and zones. Ask that God will make this General Workers' Conference, one that will be remembered for good for a long time to come and ask God to equips all participants of the programs with His anointing for greater services in His name.



We thank God for another year, most especially the first Friday in the year 2022. Let us redeem every Friday in this year with the blood of Jesus. Let us pray that this year, the Lord will win souls to Himself, working through us, in Jesus name. As our Muslim Brothers and Sisters meet for Jumaat prayer today, May God reveal Himself to them

clearly and convincingly.

# **SATURDAY, JANUARY 8**

Thank God for the lives of all our able and wonderfully supportive Board members. Appreciate God for what He enabled them to achieve in moving the Board forward in the year 2021. Thank God also for safety in all the journeys made last year. Ask God to give them unity of purpose, to make their lives Christ-centered and to give them a clear understanding of His vision and mission for the year 2022. Pray that God will help them to give more for God's service in the current year.

# PEOPLE GROUP OF THE WEEK

The Geruma, also called **Gerumawa people group** of Bauchi State are located in Toro Local Government Area and they are about 15, 000 people. They speak Geruma with no Bible Translated in their language. They are dominantly Muslims but they have been engaged. Let us pray for these predominantly Muslims people that God will liberate them. Let us pray for the Geruma people group this week that the Lord will raise men and women who will be filled with the passion of seeing to it that the predominantly Muslims are made predominantly Christians. Let us pray that the Bible will be translated into their language, Geruma.

# **SUNDAY, JANUARY 9**

Thank God for the life and family of our Board

Chairman, Dn Prof. Chokor Boyowa Anthony. Pray that God will grant him physical, spiritual and intellectual strength as he leads Global Missions Board affairs in this year. Commit all his endeavors, life struggles and challenges as well as decisions into the hands of God. Pray for all members of



the Board that God will bless their households and grant them peace and joy at all times. As they make out time from their busy schedules for the things of God, ask the Lord to make their businesses His business this year 2022

# **MONDAY, JANUARY 10**

Thank God for the life of Pastor Oluwasanmi Aderibigbe; the Confidential Secretary to the Director. Pray that as he works closely with the Director, that God will grant him more wisdom to discharge his duties. Ask God to continue to guide, bless and keep him. Ask God to continue to encourage him to be more dedicated and committed to his work as unto the Lord

### **TUESDAY, JANUARY 11**

Pray for a hedge of protection for Missionaries who have gone to places that are unsafe or where they are facing persecution. God knows how to protect those He has called to minister to the needs of the lost. Psalm 19:14 is a promise of protection from God. It says God will rescue and protect those who love Him and acknowledge His name. Pray for His angels to watch over them and to hide them from the plans and schemes of the enemy in year 2022.

Birthday: Solomon Olaniran

Wedding Anniversary: Mr. & Mrs. Ajala (Kunle)

# **WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 12**

# **Egypt**

Egypt remains the most populous Country in the Arab world and holds great regional and global influence. What happens here has the potential to impact the entire Muslim world! For over 1,000 years, Egypt was a majority-Christian Country, even after the Arab Muslim conquest in AD 640. Egypt gave to the Christian world some of its greatest theologians and the monastic movement. Egyptian Christians may be more clearly linked to the original Egyptian civilization that pre-dates the coming of Islam. Some efforts have been made to minimize Egypt's great Christian heritage, to downplay the size of the Church and to marginalize its contribution to society, but the Church is surviving. Pray for a stable and trustworthy Government to act in the interest of all its people. Pray for the Church to continue to overcome evil with divine forgiveness and love. Pray for Jesus to reveal Himself to an unprecedented number of Muslims dissatisfied by the Islamic State.

# **THURSDAY, JANUARY 13**

Let us pray that God will provide all GMB needs this year. That the target for this year shall be met by the Board. Pray for divine provision for all GMB missions' efforts & projects in year 2022 and beyond. Ask God to open the heavens for His blessings and supplies to move His work forward this year.

Birthday: Ajala Adegbola Isaiah

# **FRIDAY, JANUARY 14**

Pray for a positive image of the Board in the hearts of all stakeholders. Entreat God on behalf of GMB, that they will enjoy good and ceaseless support and patronage of mission lovers both within and outside the Baptist family.



In the various Jumaat Centers today, pray that Jesus will be vividly seen, and audibly heard. May the atoning blood of Jesus save lives among the Muslim faithfuls today.

# **SATURDAY, JANUARY 15**

Let's pray to God for revival of souls this year in all Mission fields. Revival is the power of God in action, and it assures us that God is touching the lives of others. We want God's revival that will lead to salvation, healings, and miracles. Pray that our missionaries will witness revival on the mission fields.

Birthday: Noah Adetayo Adedokun

#### PEOPLE GROUP OF THE WEEK

The **Gudu people groups** who speak Gudu Language are from Song Local Government area of Adamawa State. Their population is approximately 9100 and they are predominantly Islamists. They do not have a Bible in their Language yet even though they have been engaged. Let us pray for the predominantly Islamic Gudu people group that God will liberate them. Let us pray that God will raise volunteers for the translation of the Bible into Gudu language. Let us pray that more souls will be worn into God's kingdom in their midst.

# **SUNDAY, JANUARY 16**

Let us thank God for what we achieved last year 2021 through the help of God, though it was not easy but His grace was sufficient for us. Appreciate everyone God has been using to contribute towards the work of mission. Pray for the success of the work in 2022. Praise the name of our Lord for He will bring it to pass by His power.

# **MONDAY, JANUARY 17**

It is normal for missionaries to get weary as they do their work in the mission field. God promises that He will give strength to the weary, and increase the power of the weak (Isaiah 40:31). Pray that God will give His

missionaries the strength they need to do His work more this year. Ask that they will record great success in reaching the unreached and bringing the lost to Christ.

Birthday: Ebunoluwa Aderibigbe, Rebecca Solomon Lanza, Rev. Awolowo Sambari (Board Member)

# **TUESDAY, JANUARY 18**

Bless God for the lives of every member of Finance and General Purpose Committee (F&GPC) for their sacrifice and labour for the progress of the Board. Commit them to the able hand of God and ask for wisdom, strength, and vision to see missions as God sees it. Ask God to grant them wisdom as they deliberate on the issues concerning the specific ministry they lead. Ask God to grant them unction to function greatly in this year 2022. Also ask for journey mercies as they travel to attend Board meetings and pray that their families will be kept safe. Also pray that God will grant them the desires of their heart in Jesus name. Let's pray for all Board members as they discharge their duties this year 2022.

# WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 19

# Libya

The era of Gaddafi is now a fading memory. Libya has become a land divided by civil war between different factions. Radical Islamists such as ISIS and smaller local groups took advantage of the chaos to seize control of some towns. Meanwhile foreign powers support the different factions, arms smugglers profit by supplying the various combatants, and outside companies continue extracting oil for their own profit. Large numbers of migrants come into Libya. Most come from Sub-Saharan Africa, but some come from North Africa and even parts of Asia. A few find work in Libya, but more

cross the dangerous deserts and seas in search of a new life in Europe. Some of these migrants are believers; many others find Jesus in the midst of their turbulent lives. Pray that they might have a powerful spiritual impact on Libyans and on fellow migrants. Pray for the tiny Libyan Church to be united and established despite intense persecution. Pray that Jesus will reveal Himself to moderate and extremist Muslims alike.

Birthday: Olamide Olawale

# **THURSDAY, JANUARY 20**

Appreciate God for all the Chairpersons, Advisory Committee of the Board. Thank God for these people and appreciate God for using them and their availability to serve God. Despite the tight schedules of their works, they still create time for the Board. Thank God for the ways He's using them to move the Board forward. Pray for them that the blessings of God will not elude them. Ask God for wisdom, strength, new vision for missions in this year 2022.

Birthday: Abigail Oyeleke

# FRIDAY, JANUARY 21

God told Joshua after conquering many lands in Joshua Chapter 13 that there are still many lands to be conquered for the Israelites. Likewise, for GMB, there are lots of land especially in the Northern parts of the Nation in States like Borno, Kano, Sokoto, Bauchi, Nassarawa, Katsina, Jigawa, Kaduna e.t.c. Commit all these States unto God, that He will possess them for Christ Ask God to bless the Board that all that will be needed to reach these places will be readily be available.



Pray that the miracle of conversion that has never been recorded among Muslims

throughout the world will happen today as they gather to observe Jumaat service.

# **SATURDAY, JANUARY 22**

Let our hearts overflow with thanksgiving to God and appreciation to all of our supporters for their faithful giving, especially during the hard times. Pray that God will continue to provide for them and meet their needs in Jesus Name. Ask God to send more laborers unto His field. Pray that God will help the Board to raise more Missions supporters.

Birthday: Matthew John, Adedeji A. Joshua

# PEOPLE GROUP OF THE WEEK

The Laru people group are located in Borgu Local Government Area of Niger State. They speak Sengwe and are about 5000 people. They are predominantly Islamists and have no Bible in their language yet. As we pray for the Laru people group today, let us ask that God will help the missionary organizations in their midst to reach out to them. Let us pray that they will be made to see whatever strategy that they need to use to reach the Laru people. Let us pray that God will raise men and provide funds for the translation of the Bible into Sengwe language.

# **SUNDAY, JANUARY 23**

The Board members of Global Missions Board have to meet officially 3 times each year. Commit all the three meetings unto God's hands that He will be the Chairperson amidst the Board members. Pray that He will lead their thoughts and have His way among them. Ask God to write His vision for mission in their hearts and that they will be guided in their decision making.

# **MONDAY, JANUARY 24**

Pray for Management team of GMB. Let's ask for spirit of wisdom, knowledge, good counsel and discernment for the task of administration of missions' work of the Convention. Pray that they will not depend on their ability but on the Holy Spirit in every decision that will be taken. Ask God to meet them at the point of their needs.

# **TUESDAY, JANUARY 25**

Let's pray for the life of Mr. Awonugba, the Administrative Officer of the Global Missions Board and for the way God has been using him. Thank God for the support he's receiving from his family in this work. Pray that God will grant him fresh wisdom, strength and good health to forge ahead in his duty. Pray that he will not disappoint God in this ministry.

Birthday: Abel Yusuf Demeh

# **WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 26**

#### Morocco

Arab armies invaded in the 7th century, introduced Islam, and erased a strong North African Berber Church. Moroccans feel proud of their Country's heritage as a centre of Islamic civilization and learning consequently making some North African Countries like morocco to be 99% Muslim, and they resist Christianity. Only a small percentage have heard the Gospel. Moroccans became aware of the indigenous Church when the media broadcast negative and inaccurate reports about a large number of converts to Christianity. There may be about 2,000 Moroccan Christians, with 20 to 30 small house fellowships. New believers feel pressure from family, police, or religious authorities. Pray that believers might

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grow amid such persecution, as with the early Church, through faith, witness, mutual support, and encouragement! Pray for fellowship and freedom from fear for isolated believers.

Birthday: Kayode Christopher Oluwagbemiga

# **THURSDAY, JANUARY 27**

Appreciate God for all the Administrative staff and their families for grace to be kept alive in the New Year 2022. Thank God for another opportunity given to them to serve Him with love, and in His fear and righteousness. Pray that God will meet all their needs through Christ Jesus. Specifically, commit the following staff members in administration to God for success in the year 2021. These are: Mr. Lanre Alade, Mrs. C. Amadi, Mrs. Akinremi, Mr. Oyeyemi, Pastor Wole Kolade, Mr. Samuel Adegoke and all our Night Guards. Pray for God's protection and good health for them to fulfill God's mandate in GMB.

# FRIDAY, JANUARY 28

Let's thank God for all GMB Drivers who the Lord is using to drive all Mission vehicles within and outside the Nigeria. These people are Mr. Jimoh Assusai, Mr. Kunle Ajala, Dn Popoola Olawuyi, Mr. Sunday Abegunde, Mr. Paul Oyeleke, and Mr. Gbenga Kayode. Let's pray that this year shall be accident free for all of them and for other people who drive their personal cars too. Pray that by the end of the year we shall not find anyone missing in Jesus Name.



May God reveal Himself through signs and wonders to our Muslim brothers and sisters during their Jumaat service today, consequently making them to become His disciples. Pray that there will be harvest of souls amongst the Muslims this day as they worship in their various Jumaat Centers.

Birthday: Goodness Ayokunle

# **SATURDAY, JANUARY 29**

The security men and the cleaning team of the Global Missions board are saddled with the responsibilities of maintaining the safety and the neatness of the office complex. Pray for safety for these group of people. Ask God to bless them as they diligently do their duties. Pray that God will bless their families and make them great in life and ministry.

Birthday: Chris Tayo Oyelude

# PEOPLE GROUP OF THE WEEK

We have the **Achipawa people group** who reside in Mariga Local Government Area of Kebbi and Niger States. Their population is about 10,000 people and they are either or ATR believers. They speak Mariga, they are engaged but they do not have a Bible in their language. Let us raise prayer alters for the Achipawas, that the Lord will let the Gospel of Christ get to these people. Let us pray that God will counter every power of darkness in their midst. Let us pray that they will receive help for the translation of the Bible into their language.

# **SUNDAY, JANUARY 30**

Commit all GMB Missionaries and staff members both home and abroad into God's hands. Pray that they will all rely on the power and wisdom that the Holy Spirit gives in the discharge of their duties. Ask God to strengthen their knees in prayers, make them diligent in the study of the word of God and make them prompt in obeying the leading of the Holy Spirit.

# **MONDAY, JANUARY 31**

Give thanks to God for salvation and the spiritual blessings He brings into your lives every day. Pray and reflect in the blessings of God which you have enjoyed this year. Celebrate the goodness of God to you and your family in any possible way. Pray for all Baptist Churches, Pastors, and other spiritual leaders. Ask God to bring all Churches together in unity around His purpose and direction. Pray that spiritual leaders will continue to have listening ears to hear God speak to them. Ask God to renew His anointing over these servants of His so they can be more fruitful in their work of Ministry.

# **TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 1**

Pray that God will continue to meet our needs no matter what the future holds. Also remember in prayer those who struggle every day just to obtain the basics of life such as food and shelter. Ask God to give you opportunities to help wherever possible. Pray that God will bless those hands who are willing to help the needy.

# WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 2

#### Sudan

Sudan lost 26% of its area and 25% of its population when South Sudan became an independent Country in July 2011. Thank the Lord a major new war did not break out when the Country divided, but continue to pray for peace. The situation remains very tense, with many unresolved disputes between the 2 countries. Massive protests in 2018 eventually led to the arrest of the President and a remarkable transformation of policy and governance followed. Praise God for new opportunities for this ancient land! The Gospel spread through these many years of upheaval. Although the conflicts created terrible suffering, they made the Church more matured. The Islamic Government bombed Churches and other Christian buildings in the South, and specifically targeted Christian areas for attacks. But many believers kept their faith, and even took the Gospel to other ethnic groups during these hard times! The wars scattered Christian refugees throughout the Country, so even through suffering the Good News spread. Pray for them to find unity and peace through Christ.

Birthday: Peter Nmadu Saba, Rebecca Shada, Oluwapelumi Ajani, Ejimadu Victor Chizitere, Rev. Dr. John Ottuh (Board Member)

Wedding Anniversary: Rev. & Mrs. Shada

### THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 3

Give thanks to God for His goodness and mercies, His loving kindness and protection over the missionaries with their families. Appreciate God for His provisions upon them and for the privilege to be alive, hail and healthy. To Him alone be praises, glory and honour for ever and ever (Amen).

Birthday: Emmanuel Akpan–Ekpeyong, Aanuoluwa John

# FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 4

Appreciate God for the privilege granted to the missionaries to be called of God who has found them faithful and then put them in ministry (1 Tim 1:12) There are so many people better than them, but God chose them to be His servants (Heb 5:4). Because "No man taketh this honour unto himself but he that is called of God as was Aaron.



Pray that God will bring our Muslim brothers and sisters into His kingdom by His revelation during their Jumaat prayers today.

# **SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 5**

Oftentimes missionaries get discouraged, they get frustrated for so many reasons, sometimes they preach and preach but they do not see results. Pray that God will grant them resilient spirit that they will not be down; they will not quit but remain consistent, serving the Lord. 1 Cor. 15:58, Acts 19:8-10.

Birthday: Adeola Funke Abegunde

### PEOPLE GROUP OF THE WEEK

We have the Lagwan people group of Borno and Yobe States. They are also called the Afade (Kotoko) people and they are from Ngala Local Government Area. They are about 42,000 people who are mostly Islamic. Lagwans are engaged by some mission agencies but with no Bible in their language. Let us all pray that the Holy Spirit of God will touch the hearts of the Lagwan people group in both States. Let us pray that the Lord will use the present security situations of these States as an avenue for the Lagwan people to be reached for Christ. Let us also pray that the Lord will raise men to work on the interpretation of the Bible into Afade language.

# **SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 6**

Ask for divine security and protection for all our missionaries and their family members, remembering that Jesus said "behold, I send you forth as sheep in the midst of wolves". Pray that the powers of darkness and forces of wickedness will not be able to harm them as they minister among some of these difficult people. Matthew 10:16-, Acts 18:9-10, Job 1:9-10, Psalm 105:12-15.

International day of zero tolerance for female genial mutilation. Pray for Christ light that brings life and civilization to shine on the Unreached People Group who suffer from unhygienic mutilation. Pray that such act be eradicated totally in our land.

# **MONDAY, FEBRUARY 7**

Let us pray for our missionaries that the heavens will be open unto them, ask that they will not operate or minister under closed heavens. Ask that the Lord will grant unto them utterances so that they will be able to open their mouths boldly to make known the mystery of the Gospel. Mat 3: 16, Eph 6:19.

Birthday: Zacchaeus A. Ayokunle

# **TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 8**

Ask that God will work through the missionaries to wrought miracles of salvation and conversion of souls along with divers signs and wonders (Acts 19:11-12, 5:15-16). Global Missions Board has a vision to build a rehabilitation and training center in Okuta. This center is to train our indigenous leader to man Pastor-less Churches. The rehabilitation center is to develop our new converts and backsliding believers. To the glory of God, about 6plots of lands has been acquired on this field and is awaiting development. Pray that individuals, Local Churches, Associations and Conferences will catch this vision and be willing to join God where He is working.

**Birthday:** Margaret Peter Saba

# WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 9

#### Bhutan

Bhutan remains a mountainous, untouched jewel of southern Asia. Also known as the "Land of the Thunder

Dragon," this remote nation was relatively isolated until the 1960's. Though the population of Bhutan is nearly one million, Christians only number in the hundreds. Churches are forbidden with most believers meeting in private homes to worship in secret. Bhutan is one of the least evangelized nations, and the Christians within its borders are subject to prejudice, harassment, and even physical violence. Pray that the Church will flourish under this persecution. Pray that they will share with other Bhutans the truth of salvation through Jesus Christ, and that they will be empowered through His strength to forgive and accept the Nepalese people. Pray for Bhutan to once again open its doors to a vibrant Christian witness.

Birthday: Unique O. Orogun, Dorcas Adegoke

# **THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 10**

God's work done in God's way will never lack God's resources is a general saying and by inclusion will never lack God's results. Intercede for the missionaries, that God will help them to be open to the voice of God genuinely and clearly, that they will hear His voice and guidance for every of their ministerial assignments, so that they can generate fruits that will abide for eternity. Acts 16:6-7

# FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 11

Ask that God will continue to expose the plots and antics of the evil ones against His servants so that they will not be victims of shame, ridicule, death, disgrace, etc. Acts 23:12-23. Judges 16:16-19.



Ask the Lord of harvest to reach out in love to our Muslim brothers and sisters as they observe their Jumaat service today.

# **SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 12**

Ask God to raise burden bearers and intercessors for missionaries who will share in His burden for the unsaved, men who will assist and support him in the task of soul winning as he wages war against the kingdom of darkness over the souls of men. Numb 1:14-17, Isa 55:4-, Exodus 17:10-16.

#### PEOPLE GROUP OF THE WEEK

Here in Nigeria, we have the Asu people group of Mariga Local Government Area of Niger State, Their language is Asu and they are about 9000 people in number. They are predominantly Muslims. Asu people have been engaged but they do not have the Bible translated into their language yet. Let us commit the Asu people into the hands of God that the Holy Spirit will make them to see the Gospel as an important thing that they must have. Let us also pray that the Bible will be translated in the language in no time so they can also have access to the word of God for their spiritual growth.

# **SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 13**

On the matter of love, some people see it as feelings, passion towards another person and exchange of gifts to the beloved. Valentine, however, (the priest of love) died for the cause of continued marriage among the young soldiers. Love is worth dying for. Pray that young men and ladies will understand the core value of the celebration. Pray that the love of Christ on the cross be real at this season to everyone.

# **MONDAY, FEBRUARY 14**

#### **VALENTINES DAY**

Sex is good but not without responsibility and consequences. Many young boys and girls become

unprepared fathers and mothers due to pre-marital sex affairs at this season of valentine celebration. Many have sexually transmitted diseases (STD) due to uncontrolled passion towards opposite sex. Pray that power of immorality be terminated this day. Pray for revival of sexual purity among the teenagers and youths.

# **TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 15**

Commit into the hands of God the children of the missionaries, since they are God's heritage. Pray that He will keep and preserve them from every evil and dangers, that He will endow them with wisdom, knowledge and understanding to excel in all their endeavors. Pray That they will be for signs and wonders on the fields where their parents have been called to Isaiah 8.18

Birthday: Adegoke Samuel, Olanrewaju Alade

# WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 16

#### Ukraine

As the "Bible Belt" of the former Soviet world, the Ukrainian Church has faced a long history of persecution. Though freedom of religion is improving, it is not yet protected in both law and practice. Leadership training and direction are greatly needed among Christians, especially with the rapid growth of thousands of new congregations since 1991. Doctrinal schisms in the Orthodox Church and divisions between Catholic and Protestant believers hinder their witness. The pain suffered under Soviet rule and during the most recent conflicts has greatly divided the people of Ukrainian. Pray for God's peace and reconciliation to overcome all hatred, conflict, and war. Pray for followers of Jesus to arise as messengers of His hope to the hopeless and the oppressed.

Adewale Bolaji, IyinKristi Damilare Birthday: Avokunle

# **THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 17**

Missionaries are exposed to resources of various kind; physical, financial, human, material, etc. Pray that God will grant the missionaries heart that are filled with integrity, that they will not soil their hands and their testimonies with ephemeral things, pray that they will not bring embarrassment to the name of the Lord Jesus. Prov. 20:6-9, 1 Sam 12:2-5,7:19-21, 2 Kings 5:20-27, 2 Sam. 11:1-4.

## FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 18

Very many missionaries are on the field where their operational offices, are in their residences. Pray for them that they will not be lazy, idle, or slothful but that they will be diligent and hardworking. Proverbs. 22:29.



*It is the desire of God that all will know Him;* therefore, pray that Muslims will see the indisputable revelation of the Triune God as they gather for Jumaat service today.

Birthday: Lois Peter Saba

# **SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 19**

1 Samuel 9:6 said "behold now, there is in this city a man of God, and he is an honourable man; all that he saith cometh surely to pass". God we ask that you make all our missionaries men and women of God indeed with honour. May God give them His words and make whatever they say be according to His will.

Wedding Anniversary: Mr. & Mrs. Alade

# PEOPLE GROUP OF THE WEEK

There are the Baggara or Shuwa Arab people groups

in Dokwa, Konduga, Bama and Ngala Local Government Areas of Borno State, Nigeria. They speak Arabic and Chadian languages and are about 303,000 in population. Their dominant religion is Islam and they have been engaged by one or more mission organizations. Unfortunately, the Bible is yet to be translated into their languages. Let us pray for the Baggara people group this week that the Lord will open their eyes to the Gospel of Christ. Let us pray that the Lord will help the mission organizations working in their midst to harvest more souls for Christ. Let us also pray that God will raise men and women who are willing to get committed to writing the Scriptures in Arabic and Chadian languages so that the Baggara people will have access to the Scriptures.

# **SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 20**

Lord we pray that you regularly deliver our missionaries from every lust of the eyes, the lust of the flesh, and the pride of life (1 John 2:15-17) so that they can truly be light to those in darkness and pray that they will be examples unto the believers. WORLD DAY OF **SOCIAL JUSTICE.** Pray for the victims of injustice in Nigeria. Pray that God will raise advocates at the time of need, especially the few marginalized Christians on the mission field.

Birthday: Isaac Ijeoma Ruth, Ajala Darasimi

# **MONDAY, FEBRUARY 21**

1 Cor. 9:24-27 says "but I keep under my body, and bring it into subjection, lest that by any means when I have preached to others I myself should be a cast away". Pray that God will sustain the missionaries to live lives that are pleasing to God and pray that they will not be cast away vessels after preaching to others.

Birthday: Nathan Peter Saba

# **TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 22**

Lord, we pray that you will help missionaries to understand the times and seasons for them to be able to know what to do at all times. Help them Oh Lord so that they will not be stranded. 1 Chronicles 12:32.

Birthday: Ijaola Oyinkansola, Oyevemi Israel

# **WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 23**

#### Tunisia

The flag of the Tunisian Republic is washed in red to represent the blood shed by martyrs in the struggle against oppression, a struggle that continues today for Christians in this northern African nation. Tunisia has long been considered a restricted nation, one that does not allow the spread of the Gospel, and the Government is further grounding itself in Islam. Tunisia's new constitution is truly progressive, and positive fruits came from the suffering of the Arab Spring. However, unemployment and economic decline remain big challenges to the new Government. Pray for The Lord of the harvest to raise up workers to reach the millions of unevangelized people in Tunisia. Pray for believers in Christ to have endurance as they live by faith. Pray for the Government to officially recognize the Tunisian Church.

Birthday: Temilola Adewumi

# **THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 24**

Thank God for the lives of all account staff of GMB. Appreciate God for their tireless hours of balancing of accounts of the Global Missions Board. Let us pray that they will find joy in working with God at their various desks.

# **FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 25**

Let us pray that the Lord will help the accounts staff to be calm and diligent throughout their working years and after. Pray that God will give them the spirit of faithfulness and patience in all their doings. Ask that God will grant them patience when additional computations and reports are needed.



As our Muslim brothers and sisters observe their Jumaat service today, Pray that God will reveal Himself to them as the only true God through the Lord Jesus Christ.

# **SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 26**

With humility of the heart, we request for the blessing of God's presence in the day to day activities of the accounts staff members of Global Missions Board. As they move to and from the office, let us pray that the Lord will protect them. Pray that the Lord will show them mercy so that they will experience smoothness in their endeavors, accompanied by fruitfulness

# PEOPLE GROUP OF THE WEEK

Bade people group who speak Bade language are from Guri, Bade, Jakusko, Bursari and Karasuwa Local Government Areas of Jigawa and Yobe States. The 384,000 people are predominantly Islamists and have been engaged by missionary organizations but no Bible has been written in their language. Let us pray for the Bade speaking people group that God will make the efforts of the missionary organizations in their midst worth it in the harvest of souls to God's kingdom. Let us also pray that God will raise labourers who will see to the translation of the Bible into Bade language.



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- Mission field trips
- National Youth Service Corps, NYSC (One year for God during NYSC)
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GMB is willing to help you live a fulfilling and purposeful life for God.

# **SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 27**

Pray that God will open the eyes of the accounts staff members of GMB to see the goodness in each other. Pray that God will make them closer to Him so that they'll love each other just as God loves them. Pray that Gods life giving spirit will revive every weakness in them. Let God's power take charge of their body from the crown of their heads to the sole of their feet

# **MONDAY, FEBRUARY 28**

Let us pray for the account department staff members of GMB that the Lord will help them to be faithful. As they partake in their daily activities, let us pray that every confusing matter before them shall become clear. Pray that they shall receive unusual insight, understanding and wisdom to solve financial problems for GMB in Jesus name. Frustrate every spirit of error, wrong counsels, scamming and dubiousness. Pray that the Holy Spirit will consistently counsel and watch over them

Birthday: Allen Olatunde

# **TUESDAY, MARCH 1**

Let us entreat the Lord to raise new mission supporters for the mission work of the Convention. Pray that the Lord will revive the economy of Nigeria so that mission work will be easier for the Global Missions Board. Pray that God will give the managers of Nigeria's economy the wisdom needed to boost our economy. Pray God to give His Church divine skill and ability to make money for Missions. **WORLD ZERO DISCRIMINATION DAY.** Pray against discrimination among the Christians by tribe and ethnic. Pray for Christ's love to rule in the hearts of His people towards others.

Birthday: Elizabeth F. Oluwagbemi

Wedding Anniversary: Mr. & Mrs. Popoola Olawuyi

# **WEDNESDAY, MARCH 2**

# Western Sahara

There are only a handful of Christians among the entire Sarahawi people of Western Sahara. There are openings for ministry to refugees through relief and development, and the difficult political and living conditions has led to considerable openness to missions. To many, this desert is inhospitable and bleak, but to the people of Western Sahara, it is home. For the Saharawi people, this home is occupied and represented by a 1,700 mile (2,700 km) earthen wall. Considered almost entirely Muslim, most of the Saharawi people have little to no possibility of hearing the Gospel, but thanks be to God that there are a handful of isolated believers. The plight of the refugees has opened doors for humanitarian and Christian aid, providing opportunities to spread the love of Christ. The JESUS film has also been made available, and the Hassaniya New Testament is nearly complete. Pray for miraculous resolution of the decades-long conflict with Morocco. Pray for the power of the Gospel to be made known among the 100,000 Saharawi refugees in Algeria. Pray for unity among the few isolated believers.

Birthday: Victor Folarin

# THURSDAY, MARCH 3

Thank God for the lives of our missionary couple in Kogi Home Mission Field Rev. & Mrs. Mobolaji Johnson and all the mission Pastors. Pray that the steadfastness of God will not cease in their lives. Pray for more harvest of souls and revival on this field. Ask that God will meet their needs to the glory of His name.

Birthday: Adeniji Anna

# FRIDAY, MARCH 4

Like most societies where Christ is not yet allowed to reign, some parts of Kogi land is suffering from the stronghold of witchcraft, religiosity, immoral living, syncretism and cultural barriers. Pray that God will raise a standard against these vices. Entreat God to take total control of the land. Ask God to raise individuals and organizations to come to the aid of the field and to buy plots of land for University Baptist Church.



May the light of the Gospel shine and illuminate the hearts of our Muslim brothers and sisters as they observe their Jumaat service today. May God reveal Christ to them all.

# **SATURDAY, MARCH 5**

Appreciate God for His faithfulness in the lives of the Missionary couple and Mission Pastors in Imo State Home Mission Field, Rev. & Mrs. Bola Oludare. Pray that the Lord will continue to encourage them not to relent or grow weary in their service to God and humanity.

# PEOPLE GROUP OF THE WEEK

Bankalawa people group who speak Bankal resides in Dass, Bauchi, Tafawa Balewa and Toro Local Government areas of Bauchi State. They are about 20, 000 people and are predominantly Muslims. They have been engaged with the Gospel of Christ but they do not have the Bible written in their language. Let us raise prayer alters for the Bankalawa people group that they will be willing to accept the Gospel brought to them by the mission organizations in their midst. Let us pay also

that God will touch the hearts of all concerned for the translation of the Scriptures into their language.

# **SUNDAY, MARCH 6**

# HOME MISSION EMPHASIS STARTS

Appreciate God for the lives of our Missionary Couple in Awka Onitsha, Rev. & Mrs. Isaac Atilade Opayinka. The land has many idol worshippers and need the touch and deliverance of the Saviour. Asks God to break the power and forces of darkness in that land.

Birthday: Amadi Prince Ozioma

# MONDAY, MARCH 7

Ask God to deliver Awka Onitsha mission field from Idolatry and mere religiosity. Pray that the Lord will bring the land to true knowledge, fear and worship of the only true God. Ask God to raise mission partners for the field.

Birthday: Israel Oyeleke

# **TUESDAY, MARCH 8**

Thank God for the lives of missionary couple in Taraba Home Mission Field, Rev. & Mrs. Tiyari. Pray that the Lord will continue to encourage them and all the Mission Pastors, not to relent or grow weary in the service to God and humanity. Ask God to raise more vibrant and spirit filled Pastors who will answer the call to serve sacrificially on the mission field for the speedy growth of the Churches and the entire field. Lack of worship centers has been the challenges in some stations such as Bali, Jamtars Nyibango and Mago-Gajene. Ask for God's provision and for supporters. INTERNATIONAL WOMEN'S DAY. Pray for vulnerable women on the mission fields. Pray for open door of winning them for Christ with full support of their husband. Pray against maternal death on our mission fields.

Birthday: Akindele Akinsanmi, Bernard Ishaya

# WEDNESDAY, MARCH 9

# **Cyprus**

For thousands of years, the fertile plains and arid mountains of Cyprus have borne witness to the rise and fall of numerous empires. Cyprus is mentioned numerous times in the Bible, and Barnabas, one of the earliest Christian missionaries, was a native Cyprus. He and the Apostle Paul traveled and preached across the island almost 2,000 years ago. The 50-year conflict between the two communities (Greeks and Turks), fuelled by the involvement of foreign powers, has gone on for too long. Pray that old grievances and bitterness might be overcome by forgiveness. Pray that external meddling would stop and that Cypriots might move forward into a unified future. Pray for a shattering of bitterness and prejudice between Greek and Turkish Cypriots (indigens of Cyprus). Pray for Muslims in the north to place their hope not in economic prosperity but in Jesus. Pray for discipleship, spiritual maturity, and bold witnesses among ethnic minority believers.

# THURSDAY, MARCH 10

Appreciate God for His divine protection, provision over our Missionary couple in Ngara Home Mission Field, Rev. & Mrs. John Matthew. Ask God to grant them more boldness and power to witness Christ in this Islamic Emirate with the resurgence of hostility against the Church. Ask God to raise indigenous Pastors from outside the State to accept the call to serve in Yobe State.

Birthday: Olaniran Mercy, Olaniran Mary, Rev. Dr.

Mrs. R. A. Lateju (Board Member)

Wedding Anniversary: Mr. & Mrs. Ajani

# FRIDAY, MARCH 11

Pray for open doors among the Bolewa people of Fika and Bade people group of Gasgua of Yobe State. Ask God to raise support for radio programs in Hausa so as to reach restricted areas through radio wave evangelism.



Pray that the Muslim women in the entire world will embrace the Gospel of Christ as Muslims observe their Jumaat services today.

Birthday: Oyeyemi Comfort

# **SATURDAY, MARCH 12**

Pray that God will send help to meet the needs for water in 3 of our mission stations. Pray for the mission School in Ngara to meet the purpose why was established. Pray for support and enough ministry resources for the field and the mission primary School.

Birthday: Ajala Michael

# PEOPLE GROUP OF THE WEEK

Barke otherwise known as **Burkanawa people group** speak Mourku and are located in Darazo local Government area of Bauchi State. The religion that dominates them is ATR and the 20, 000 people of Barke are already engaged for missions but they are yet to have the Bible in their language. Let us pray for the beautiful Barke people of Bauchi State, that God with sort them out spiritually. This sorting includes having people who will share the word of God with them, lead them to Christ and disciple them, as well as having the Bible being translated into their language.

# **SUNDAY, MARCH 13**

Thank God for His faithfulness upon our Missionary couple in Abia State Home Mission Field, Rev. & Mrs. John Mark and all the mission Pastors working with them. Pull down every demonic stronghold limiting the progress of our work in the land. Ask God to send mission partners to the Field. Ask God to raise willing labourers to the field. Pray for the development of the landed property donated to us more than five (5) years ago by a family.

# **MONDAY, MARCH 14**

Give thanks to God for His unfailing love upon His servants in Bassa Home Mission Field, Minna; Rev. Folasayo & Mrs. Adenike Odetunmibi and their children. Pray that God will strengthen, protect and provide for all their needs. As they are in a trying and difficult period (due to the incessant kidnappings in their area), along with the mission Pastors on the field, ask God to encourage them.

Birthday: Abimbola Awonugba

# **TUESDAY, MARCH 15**

The major challenge they are facing on this field (Bassa) is insecurity, which has caused severe setbacks to the mission work on the field. Ask God to arise and put an end to insurgency in the land. Some of our brethren have ran away from the land due to insecurity. Ask for divine intervention of God upon the land for the work of God to continue unabated

**Birthday:** Odetunmibi Emmanuel F, Yusuf Davou Demeh, Keziah Moriyanu Olatunde

# **WEDNESDAY, MARCH 16**

# Iran

Known as Persia until 1935, today's Islamic Republic of Iran is predominately Muslim (98%), mostly Shi'ite. With its proximity to Arabic speaking Countries, it is often perceived to be Arabic, but Iran is Persian. The Elamites, descendants of Noah's son Shem, first settled in the area and were followed by the Medes and Persians who established an ancient civilization and world empire. Massive numbers of Iranians have come to Jesus in recent years! From only 500 Muslimbackground believers in 1979, many estimates suggest the number now is even greater than 1 million in Iran alone. Large numbers of Persian people have also encountered the risen Christ outside of Iran. The Church in Persia has not grown this fast since the 7th century. In Iran, a person can receive a death sentence for apostasy (abandoning religious faith). This growth is a remarkable move of the Holy Spirit through many signs and wonders, dreams and visions. Pray for a great harvest resulting from faithful believers sharing bold accounts of their faith. Pray for the Church to rapidly multiply and mature despite horrendous persecution against non-Muslim peoples. Pray for Christians to capitalize on unprecedented opportunities to spread the Gospel via Internet, TV, and other media.

# THURSDAY, MARCH 17

Pray for God's security in Shiroro Local Government Area of Niger State. The field suffered several attacks in the hands of bandits and kidnappers. Pray that God will console those that have lost their loved ones during the attacks. Ask God to reveal Himself to those bandits

Birthday: Bose Okunlola, Akinremi Eyitayo

# FRIDAY, MARCH 18

Ask for God's blessing over individuals, families, Churches, associations, conferences and NBC organizations that the Lord is using in supporting the mission work on the fields. Ask that the Lord will enable them to do more for Him. Baptist group of Schools in Erena, Niger State serves as a means of reaching children in the host community and neighboring communities. Pray for provision of free School uniforms and sports wears for the Pupil



Intercede for Muslims as they observe their Jumaat prayer. Pay against every physical or spiritual attack on the body of Christ.

# **SATURDAY, MARCH 19**

Appreciate God for the lives of our Missionary couple in Niger State, Kamuku Home Mission Field, Rev. & Mrs. Solomon Lanzah, for His love, faithfulness blessings, protection and sustenance over them and the mission Pastors serving on the field.

Birthday: Adeniji Oyejoke Rachel, Isaac Adebayo Peter, Rev. S. A. K. Olaleye (Board Member)

# PEOPLE GROUP OF THE WEEK

Niger State harbors the Bauchi people group who speaks Bauchi language. These people are located in Rafi and Shiroro Local Government areas of the State. They are predominantly Muslims and are about 37,000 in all. They have been engaged with the Gospel but, they have no Bible in their language. Let us pray for the Bauchi people group that God will liberate them. Let us pray that God will raise people to come to the aid of this 37000 people. Let us also pray that the Scriptures will be translated in their language so that this people can have

direct access to the word of God.

# **SUNDAY, MARCH 20**

Pray for revival of about 32 Churches closed down in Bauci, Kamuku, Pangu, Supana and Urawa land due to banditry. Ask for God's provision to rebuild 3 burnt down Churches with their Pastorium. Pray against Islamic forces and strongholds resisting the mind of the people to accept the Gospel of Christ. INTERNATIONAL DAY OF HAPPINESS. Pray that Christ's love be experienced by unbelievers in order to have real happiness. Pray for every victim of persecution to have reasons to be glad again in Christ.

Birthday: Adedeji A. Ebenezer, Toyin Folarin, Kolade Gideon Jesutofunmi

# **MONDAY, MARCH 21**

Ask God to reveal the truth and give the unsaved people understanding to know and convert them to Christ for salvation. Ask God to fill the field workers with the Holy Spirit to proclaim Christ boldly in this difficult times (Eph. 6:19). Pray for success of the ongoing Bible translation work of Ungwu and Ushammah tribes. INTERNATIONAL DAY OF FORESTS. Pray that God of nature should make our forests a terror against the bandits and insurgents.

# **TUESDAY, MARCH 22**

Pray for all our indigenous Pastors that are in different Theological Pastoral trainings, that they will finish well. Pray that all they learn will be used of God to bring more souls to His kingdom through these Pastors.

Birthday: Ifeoluwa Ayandokun, Oluwamayowa Aderibigbe

Wedding Anniversary: Mr. & Mrs. Oketola

# **WEDNESDAY, MARCH 23**

## Israel

Despite having very limited natural resources, Israelis have developed thriving agricultural and industrial sectors in less than twenty years. Home to many historically and religiously significant Christian, Muslim, and Jewish sites, the capital city of Jerusalem has been conquered and reconquered for over 3,000 years, which has left the "Old City" quite divided. Interest in the Gospel increased within Israel, especially among Jews, and especially in the last few years. At least 12,000 Jews recognize Jesus as their Messiah just within Israel. Messianic Jews are now an undeniable part of Israeli society, but growth also brings persecution. Pray for boldness in witness, and perseverance in faith despite the opposition. Pray for the nation's spiritual restoration (Romans 11:25-31). Pray for the Body of Christ in Israel to be strong and unwavering amid persecution and hardship. Pray for the Jewish people to call on the name of Yeshua the Messiah. Pray for the peace of Jerusalem. (Psalm 122:6)

Birthday: Ajani Oluwaseun Michael, Mummy Victoria Akanji (Wife of the President, NBC)

# **THURSDAY, MARCH 24**

Rev. & Mrs. Jeremiah Oluwagbemi are our Missionary couple in Kyengawa Home Mission Field in Kebbi State. Ask for the outpouring of the Holy Spirit upon them and all the mission Pastors serving on the field. Pray for more revelation of God to all the staff so that they will be able to do the work more passionately. WORLD TUBERCULOSIS DAY. Pray for divine healing everyone suffering from this disease. Pray that our missionaries, mission pastors and the families shall not be victims of Tuberculosis.

# FRIDAY, MARCH 25

Pray for boldness for all the secret disciples on this field (Kyengawa) that they will be able to stand out for Christ. Pray for the existing 10 ministry points with converts, that God will uphold them. Ask God to reveal Himself to our Muslim friends that are on the field. Ask God to provide for the needs of a deep well for a mission station in addition to a Projector and generator for film shows.



Pray that as Muslims attend their Jumaat prayer today, God will touch their hearts and bring them to the light of the Gospel. Ask God for salvation of key Muslim leaders in your community.

Birthday: Fanta Bouare Ovelude

# **SATURDAY, MARCH 26**

Appreciate God for the lives of our Missionary couple in Ilaje Home Mission Field Rev. & Mrs. Olaniran and all Mission Pastors working together with them. Ask God to bless the witness of His faithful soldiers with great harvest of souls into His Kingdom.

Birthday: Ireoluwa Oluwagbemi

# PEOPLE GROUP OF THE WEEK

Let's take a look at **Bole (Bolewa) people group**. They are about 212, 000 people who speak Bole language and reside in Darazo, Alkaleri and Fika Local Government areas of Bauchi and Yobe States. They are predominantly Muslims. They are being reached with the Gospel, but they do not have the Bible written in their language yet. Let us pray for the Bole people that despite the insecurity situation of their States, they will

not be scared of accepting Christ. For those who have confessed Christ, let us pray that God will give them the boldness to keep standing for Christ. Let us also pray that God will raise men to translate the Bible into their language.

# **SUNDAY, MARCH 27**

Ask God to rise up against all altars hindering the effective and fruitful spread of the Gospel on the field (Ilaje HMF). Ask God to fortify and empower all our Mission Partners for greater exploits in all their endeavours in Jesus name. Pray against the territorial demons and powers on this field.

Birthday: Awolola Joel Olaleke

# MONDAY, MARCH 28

Rev. & Mrs. Bola Oludare are our Missionary couple in Imo State Home Mission Field, Orlu. Appreciate God over their lives and all the missions Pastor. Pray that God will help indigenous believers to overcome the influence of tradition on their Christian lives. Pray for genuine repentance and renouncement of cultism among the people.

Birthday: Ayomitikun Joshua, Dominion Amos

# **TUESDAY, MARCH 29**

Orlu's peace was threatened during the year and many people have relocated from the place due to insecurity. Pray that the Lord will restore peace on the field especially Orlu township. Pray for the prosperity of Baptist work on the field. Also ask God to raise mission partners for the purchase of land for mission work.

Birthday: Kayode Stephen, Victor Ajibade

# WEDNESDAY, MARCH 30

# Jordan

Jordan is categorized as a restricted nation, where Christians are persecuted or oppressed as a result of Government policies. 14 of the 21 people groups in Jordan have not heard the Gospel. Islam serves as the official religion and the constitution allows for religious freedom as long as Islamic law and public morality are not violated. Though legally protected, many new followers of Christ are pressured by the Muslim society and emigrate, Jordan's once-thriving Christian population dropped since 1980. Lower birth rates, Christians who left Jordan, and a large influx of Muslim refugees all contributed to this change. In spite of all these challenges, Christians still serve in all parts of the society, even in parliament and other position of influence. Although small, the evangelical community has more than doubled in size since 1995! Most of the new believers come from communities with a culturally Christian background, but recently more Muslims are coming to faith. Pray that all Christians in Jordan, whether in traditional Churches, Evangelical Churches, or believers from Muslim backgrounds, might cooperate to make Christ known throughout society. Pray for current religious freedom to remain despite increasing pressure to suppress it. Pray for the multitude of refugees who have crossed into Jordan to clearly hear the true Gospel.

Birthday: Adeniji Paul

# THURSDAY, MARCH 31

Thank God for the lives of our Missionary couple in Kebbi State Home Mission Field and over all the Mission Pastors working together with them. Pray for



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# **Purpose and Mission Statement:**

To train and equip Christian professionals and others from Nigeria and beyond who sense the call of God to missions and willing to fulfill it as tent makers, Missionaries or bivocational ministers. God's security as our mission Churches among the Kamberi have been attacked by the bandits. Pray for the salvation of more souls and the spiritual maturity for those undergoing discipleship training to support the field

Wedding Anniversary: Rev & Mrs. Odetunmibi, Mr. & Mrs. Ajala (Esther)

# FRIDAY, APRIL1

Home Frontier Ministry is saddled with task of reaching Nigerians for Christ, especially the Unreached and Unengaged People Group. The task needs partnership with our Churches and mission minded individuals in completing the task before Christ's coming. Let's pray for the supervisory Missionaries, mission Pastors and their wives that God will give them boldness to preach the undiluted Gospel. Pray for loving support for these men and women as they plant and grow Churches on the field of assignment.



Let us commit the hearts of our Muslim Brothers and Sisters into the hands of the Lord that the Lord will reach them for His glory alone as they attend Jummat service today.

Birthday: Allen Darasimi Olatunde

# Ramadan starts SATURDAY, APRIL 2

Islam is one of the major world religions. It was publicized by the Prophet Muhammad in Arabia in the 7th century CE. The Arabic



term islām, literally "surrender" sheds light on the fundamental religious idea of Islam—that the believer called a Muslim, accepts surrender to the will of Allah (in Arabic, Allāh is God). Allah is viewed as the sole God—creator, sustainer, and restorer of the world. The will of Allah, to which human beings must submit, is made known through the sacred scriptures, the Qur'an and background believers have come to know Christ through the reading the Qur'an. Pray that God Almighty will reveal Himself to them as the one true God. Entreat God on their behalf that many of their leaders will see the True Light and ask Jesus Christ to be the Savior of their lives. WORLD AUTISM DAY. Pray for divine healing the everyone suffering from Autism. Pray that Christ's love be shown to them.

Birthday: John Usman, IseOluwa Ayandokun

# PEOPLE GROUP OF THE WEEK

Buduma people group otherwise known as Yedina people group who speak Yedina language are located on the Island of Lake Chad in Borno State. They are about 5200 people and are predominantly Muslims. They have been engaged but they do not have the Bible translated into their language. As we all know that Borno State is one of the troubled States in Nigeria, let us pray that this people group will receive the Prince of Peace Himself in their lives, thereby having complete peace despite the storm that is raging all around them. Let us also pray that the Bible be translated in their language very soon so that they can have direct access to the word of God.

# SUNDAY, APRIL 3

Railat\* is the third wife in her matrimonial home. Though she was married to Ali\* for more than ten years before he passed away, she never had children for him.

While he was still alive Raliat encountered Jesus through a friend and they tried to keep this a secret from members of the family so that her life will not be in danger. Raliat often got into trouble with



her mates in the home for her resourcefulness, since it made her more independent than all the other women in the family. She always has enough for herself and some left over that she could loan out. Pray for Raliat and other women like her for boldness, since she had no child and now a widow making to, life has become more difficult for her. Ask God to help raise more believers among the Muslims in Raliat's community so that they can help to *encourage one another in their faith.* (\* not real names)

Wedding Anniversary: Mr. & Mrs. Amadi

# MONDAY, APRIL 4

The Qur'an which literally means "reading" or "recitation" is regarded as the verbatim word, or speech, of God delivered to Muhammad by the archangel

Gabriel. Divided into 114 suras (chapters) of unequal length, it is the fundamental source of Islamic teaching. The Muslims hold the Our'an so dear that they



are ready to defend it even if it means death. Pray that the Lord of the Truth will be revealed into their hearts. Ask God to give them the hunger for the Truth whenever they read their Our'an.

Birthday: Odetunmibi Emmanuella M.

# Wedding Anniversary: Rev. & Mrs. Royal Ify

# **TUESDAY, APRIL 5**

In some societies where Islam is viewed as a way of life and not just a religion, confessing Christ as Savior is seen as turning from tradition and culture and the essence of life. This could be resisted by everybody in

the society, even the family members of the apostates. This kind of act can be punished in several ways, ranging from abandonment disowning to outright killing of this person who has 'gone astray'. Pray that such persons facing these kinds of treatments will find strength in the Lord



through Christians around them. Pray that Christ will be real to this people as to strengthen their faith in Him.

Birthday: Amadi Kingsley

# WEDNESDAY, APRIL 6

Other sacred times in the Islamic calendar include the "Night of Power" (Laylat al-Qadr; believed to be the night in which God makes decisions about the destiny of individuals and the world as a whole) and the night of the ascension of the Prophet to heaven. It is believed that Allah sent the Ouran down during the Night of Al-Oadr. This night is believed to be most blessed because of its 'abundant goodness', 'great virtue', and 'the good rewards' which Allah gives to His true slaves who offer Qiyam (Voluntary Night Prayer) out of faith and expecting for Good Reward from Allah. Pray that the

expectation of the Muslims on this night will be used by God to release His truth to them in dreams and visions that will lead to the salvation of their souls.

# THURSDAY, APRIL 7

Mariam just lost another friend, not to death, but because of her new found faith in Jesus Christ. In the last two months, she has recorded one friend or a classmate after

another turn their backs on her. Life has not been easy, yet Mariam remains resolute, she has made up her mind to follow Jesus no matter what happens. Many youth like Mariam get



rejected by friends on daily basis because of their faith in Jesus Christ. Pray that these young people will find the courage to stand for their faith. Ask God to send supports to them from Christians around. WORLD HEALTH DAY/ UNITED NATIONS HEALTH DAY. Pray against any outbreak of pandemic in the world. Pray for divine healing that will spread the Gospel to restricted places in the world.

# FRIDAY, APRIL8

The Church is struggling to adjust to its new environment in the technological advances of the twenty-first century. Christian media outreach greatly expanded when AM radio reached across national boundaries. This provided the opportunity for people all over the world (Muslims inclusive) to hear the Gospel across international boundaries. After this came the satellite television in the 1990s which made it possible for viewers to watch the JESUS Film and other evangelistic films in their own homes. Then in the late 1990s the internet emerged and even closed access Countries that did not permit open air preaching had

access to the Gospel message and this made the Church to grow. In recent times, the cell phones have been employed to broadcast the Good News of Jesus to places and peoples we otherwise would deem impossible to reach with the Gospel. Pray that the opportunities the Church has been given to reach the world using the media will not be misused. Pray for more secret disciples to find their footings in the Lord through the online ministries

Birthday: Favour Ayokunle, Ajala Emmanuel Toluwani

Wedding Anniversary: Rev. & Mrs. Oluwagbemi

# SATURDAY, APRIL 9

# Afghanistan

Afghanistan was in the news again in 2021 for the wrong reasons. In mid-August 2021, the Talibans seized power in Afghanistan following the collapse of the Government. Many Non-Governmental Organizations and Cooperate bodies have been trying to get assistance for the helpless citizens - men, women and children alike. Pray for God's intervention to deliver these innocent citizens that are being oppressed. Ask that the Spirit of God will reign in that Country, pray that believers in Christ will be freely embolden to preach Christ. Pray that the Church of Christ in Afghanistan will not be exterminated. Ask God to preserve His Church in the Country and declare that the gate of hell will not prevail over the Church of Christ in Afghanistan.

Birthday: Akinremi Opeyemi, Alade Oluwadunmininu

# PEOPLE GROUP OF THE WEEK

Busa, otherwise known as **Bisa people group** are settled in Bagudo and Borgu Local Government areas of Kebbi

and Niger States of Nigeria. The Busa speaking people are about 50, 000 people who are mostly Muslims. They have been engaged with the Gospel but only have the New Testament of the Bible translated in their language. Let us pray for the Busa people of Borgu and Bagudo Local Government areas of Kebbi and Niger States, that God will touch their hearts for Christ. Let us also pray that the Old Testament Bible will also be translated in their language as soon as possible. Let us pray that the Holy Spirit will touch the hearts of these people as they hear the word of God. Let us pray that they will have personal convictions for the Lord.

# SUNDAY, APRIL 10 - PALM SUNDAY

With the Talibans in power, the Sharia law has been reinstated in the Country of Afghanistan, this means people found guilty to crimes such as stealing (rightfully or false fully), will have their hands cut off. Entreat God on behalf of the citizens, to change the hearts of the leaders from such gruesome punishments and that the people will live in accordance to the will of God. *Pray against the killings that have been going on in the land.* Many have died for their faith. Ask God to strengthen the rest, so they will not give up or lose faith.

Wedding Anniversary: Rev. Dr. & Mrs. Ayokunle

# MONDAY, APRIL 11



Ramadan is the most sacred month of the year for Muslims — the Prophet Mohammed reportedly said, "When the month of Ramadan starts, the gates of

heaven are opened and the gates of hell are closed and the devils are chained." Muslims believe it was during this month that God revealed the first verses of the Quran, Islam's sacred text, to Mohammed, on a night known as "The Night of Power" (or Laylat al-Qadr in Arabic). Pray that God will reveal Himself in a special way to the many Muslims who hold dear to these believes. Pray that the gates of heaven will welcome as many as will truly come to faith in God through Jesus Christ this period.

Birthday: Akintayo Boluwatito Esther

# **TUESDAY, APRIL 12**

Fasting during Ramadan is one of the five pillars or duties of Islam, along with the testimony of faith, prayer, charitable giving, and making a pilgrimage to Mecca. All Muslims are required to take part every year, though there are special dispensations for those who are ill, pregnant or nursing, menstruating, or traveling, and for young children and the



elderly. The practice of fasting serves several spiritual and social purposes: (a) to remind them of their human frailty and their dependence on God for sustenance, (b) to show them what it feels like to be hungry and thirsty, so they feel compassion for (and a duty to help) the poor and needy, (c) and to reduce the distractions in life so they can more clearly focus on their relationship with God. Pray that their hunger to be godlier will bring them to Jesus Christ the risen Lord. Ask God to satisfy the spiritual hunger of every Muslim through Jesus the bread of life.

Birthday: Simon Joseph

# **WEDNESDAY, APRIL 13**



While children are not forced to observe the fast, at least not full-time (as some parents like to encourage the little ones to fast for either a full day here and

there or for a short period of the day), they can still partake in other traditions. This includes increasing the number of times they pray to Allah during the day and reciting the Qur'an. Children are also encouraged to take part in other aspects of the fast that do not include abstaining from food and drink – these include more behavioral aspects such as refraining from foul language and feelings of anger. *Pray that the children shall have encounter with Jesus Christ as they observe the fast*.

Wedding Anniversary: Rev. & Mrs. Olopade

# **THURSDAY, APRIL 14**

Muslims are also supposed to try to curb negative thoughts and emotions like jealousy and anger, and all other things like swearing, complaining, and gossiping, during the month of Ramadan. Some people may also choose to give up or limit activities like listening to music and watching television, often in favor of listening to recitations of the Quran. A devout Muslim



will not play with anything he /she considers as sinful during this month. Pray that this pious life style will not end in activities alone. Pray that they will desire to live like Jesus.

Birthday: Akintola Caleb Akinwale, Deaconess O. C. Chokor (Board Member)

# FRIDAY, APRIL 15 - GOOD Friday

Evangelism among your own people can be difficult especially when the believers are in the minority. Some evangelical strategists believe that the Christian minorities of the Arab world are too mired in tradition. too small, too marginalized, and too fearful after long generations of persecution to make a significant impact for the Gospel among Muslims. Some Arab Christiansby their own words, actions, or inaction-seem to agree with this view. This seems to be applicable to some of the Christian minority tribes in Nigeria also. Bless the name of the Lord for His loving Kindness is ever true. Thank God that the grave is not the end, and after the dark night comes sunshine. Thank the Lord for He made death to be swallowed up in victory, Praise God! Pray that we would not play with the perfect sacrifice of Jesus on the cruel Roman cross. Thank God that death could not hold our Lord captive. Glorify the name of the Lord.

Let's lift up our voices in supplication to God on behalf of these minority Christians all over the world, for them to find the strength and courage they need to evangelize their own people. Pray for more people from the majority Christian groups to willingly go missionaries to work amongst these minority tribes.

Birthday: Ifeoluwa Gideon

# **SATURDAY, APRIL 16**

Muslims are not supposed to avoid work or School or any other normal duties during the day just because they are fasting. In many Muslim Countries. However, businesses and Schools may reduce their work hours during the day or close entirely. For the most part, though, Muslims go about their daily business as we normally would, despite not being able to eat or drink anything the whole day. Even business owners shut down their businesses for some period of the day. Entreat God on their behalf to speak to them in gentle whispers, the truth they desperately need to know, so that acts of worship will be rightly channeled.

Birthday: Akintayo Ebenezer, Folarin John, Deacon Joseph Abiodun Oloyede (Board Member), Dns E. O. Akinjide (Board Member)

# PEOPLE GROUP OF THE WEEK

Butu-Ningi people group of Bauchi Local Government Area of Bauchi State speak Gami – Ningi and Hausa languages. The predominantly Muslim people are about 54, 763. They have been engaged for the Lord but with no translation of the Bible in their languages. Let us pray for these people that God will minister Himself to them. Let us pray also for the Missionary Organizations working in their midst, that they will be strengthened for greater exploit. The Butu – Ningi people have access to Bible in Hausa Language; Let us pray that the Bible will also be translated into Gami - Ningi language so that they will have a better access to the word of God.

# SUNDAY, APRIL 17 - EASTER SUNDAY

Happy Easter! Praise the Name of the Lord, the Living One, who died and who is alive for ever and ever! Hallelujah! Praise the only One who holds the keys of death and hades. Thank God that Jesus is alive! The grave is empty. Thank God that we have newness in the

Truth- Jesus Christ. Pray that our lives will experience a turnaround for good as we celebrate this Easter Sunday. Pray for salvation of all of our neighbors who are yet to Know Jesus as Lord and Savior. No effective evangelism can progress against the great stronghold of Islam without the heavenly view brought by worship and prayer. This is especially true for the spiritual conflict going on in the lives of



our Muslim neighbors. If Christ is not given His proper place, a vacuum is formed deep within a person. Some other person or thing must rush in to fill it. Pray that God will give us the hunger to pray for our ministry to the Muslims, that there will be a reigniting of the fire of the Holy Spirit to help us accomplish the work. Ask that the Church of God will arise to the tasks of worship and prayer which will in turn move the hands of God to do the miracle of bringing as many Muslims as He would touch through His children all over the world, to His saving grace.

Birthday: Esther Ayanyoade Adedokun, Akintayo Ebenezer Boluwatji

# **MONDAY, APRIL 18 - EASTER MONDAY**

The Muslim calendar is based on the lunar year which dates from the emigration (Hijrah) of the Prophet from Mecca to Medina in AD622. The two festive days in the year are the Eid al Adha which is the feast of sacrifice; this marks the end of the haji and Eid al Fitr, which celebrates the end of the month of Ramadan. This is the

festival of three days that marks the end of and the breaking of the Ramadan fast. It is characterized by a lot of visitations from families and friend, eating and drinking, and the wearing of new clothes. Entreat God on behalf of the many Muslims world over who will be observing the Eid al Fitr this year for a new touch for the salvation of their souls. Ask God to help them make the decision that will qualify them for the marriage supper of the Lamb.

Birthday: Kolade Israel Jesugbogo

Wedding Anniversary: Rev. & Pastor Mrs. Saba

# **TUESDAY, APRIL 19**

For religious matters, Muslims follow a lunar calendar, that is, one based on the phases of the moon whose 12 months add up to approximately 354 days. That's 11 days shorter than the 365 days of the standard Gregorian calendar. Therefore, the Islamic lunar calendar moves backward approximately 11 days each year in relation to the regular Gregorian calendar. As a consequence, the first day of the month of Ramadan, which is the ninth month of the Islamic lunar calendar, moves backward by about 11 days each year. This tells why the date of the Ramadan fast changes every year (nothing mystic about it). The religiosity observed by some Muslims can be very amazing. *Pray that this religiosity will be transformed to a way of life in serving Christ the Lord with all of their hearts*.

Birthday: Sarah-Beth Adewumi

# WEDNESDAY, APRIL 20

Humanitarian approach in the drive to reach the Muslims for Christ is a burning issue. It is disgraceful how little Christian effort has actually been expended in outreach to Muslims since Muhammad's time. Regretfully, even where we have witnessed, Muslims have frequently connected our work with the baggage of territorial expansion, imperialism, and war. They have accused the Church of using financial aid and employment to 'buy' converts from among the poor. Pray and ask God to fill the hearts of Christians with love and not just humanitarian services or social works toward their Muslim prospects. Ask that God will remove biases out of the hearts of the Muslims so they will not be hindered from getting the Good News of salvation.

Birthday: Olawale Jonathan Olayiwola, Orogun O. Emmanuel

# THURSDAY, APRIL 21

In some Muslim Countries, it is a crime to eat and drink in public during the day in the month of Ramadan, even if you're not a Muslim. Of course, this is not the case in many parts of Nigeria, yet it is good to be cautious when enjoying our freedom. It will be wrong for any Muslim to expect Christians to give up eating or drinking just because they are fasting during the period. Christians however must respect their beliefs as this might open the door for them to listen to the Gospel message. Pray for opportunities for Christians to show the love of Jesus Christ and share the Gospel message to the Muslims. Pray that Christians living in Muslim Majority community will be sensitive to Muslim beliefs so as not to act in a way that can close the door of opportunity to witness to Muslims during and after their fasting period.

WORLD CREATIVITY AND INNOVATION DAY. Pray for ability to convert digital innovation into Gospel tools. Pray for new innovation for missionaries in reaching the unreached for Christ.

Birthday: Solomon Joseph, Josiah Akintayo

# FRIDAY, APRIL 22

Islam has five primary obligations, or pillars of faith, that each Muslim must fulfill in his or her lifetime. Shahadah, profession of faith, is the first pillar of Islam. Muslims bear witness to the oneness of God by reciting the creed "There is no God but God and Muhammad is

the Messenger of God." The only purpose of life is to serve and obey God. In contrast to some religions like Hinduism that believe there are many



gods, Islam just like Christianity is built on the idea that there is one God and he alone should be worshiped and obeyed. It's believed that the driving response to Shahadah should be one of submission. But unlike Christians, Muslims do not believe in Jesus Christ as their Savior. Pray that God Almighty will truly open the eyes of more Muslims to the Truth so their religion will be a relationship with the Lord. Ask God to break resistance that is in them through ignorance of the person of Jesus and make them receptive to the Gospel.

Wedding Anniversary: Rev. & Mrs. Olaniran

# **SATURDAY, APRIL 23**

### **CONVENTION IN SESSION STARTS**

The second pillar of Islam is Salat or Prayer. The call to prayer happens five times a day; at dawn, noon, midafternoon, sunset and evening, 365 days a year in the Muslim world, and you cannot miss it. In addition, Friday congregational service is also required. Muslims have heeded the call to prayer for more than a millennium. This includes washing their face, kneeling toward Mecca - Islam's holiest city, or visiting the local mosque. Prayer almost always happens in Arabic, 'the language of Allah' as some call it. Although salah can be performed alone, it is meritorious to perform it with another or with a group. Pray that each time you and other Christians hear the call to Muslim prayers; God will move your heart to pray for the souls of those yet to he saved

Birthday: Gold Oyemike

# PEOPLE GROUP OF THE WEEK

Daba people group also known as the Dada Kola people group of Mubi, Adamawa State are about 2000 people who speak Dada language. They are African traditional believers and have been engaged with the Gospel of Christ. The New Testament has been translated into their language. Let us pray to God that the Old Testament will also be translated into their language so that they can have a direct access to the complete word of God. Let us pray that as they read and hear the word of God, it will make positive impact in their lives. Let us also pray for the Missionary Organizations working in the midst of these people that they will receive more grace to reach more people for Christ in no time.

# **SUNDAY, APRIL 24**

A British woman who moved to the Arab world commented on how disconcerting it was to hear the call to prayer five times daily each day of the week seizing without. But, she said eventually it grew on her. She came to a point where she respected this ancient

tradition that built a rhythm into the day, where people didn't simply go on with their business as usual but stopped regularly to think about the larger purposes of their lives and the world. While this British woman didn't convert to Islam, she found ways to utilize the regular prayer times to meditate and reflect in her own ways on her spiritual journey. Ask God to help you as a Christian to begin to stop from time to time each day to reflect on your life and walk with the Lord.

# **MONDAY, APRIL 25**

Zakat or zakah is almsgiving; this is the third pillar of Islam. Social responsibility is considered part of one's service to God; the obligatory act of zakat enshrines this duty. Zakat prescribes payment of fixed proportions of a Muslim's possessions for the welfare of the entire community and in particular for its neediest members. It is equal to 2.5 percent of an individual's total net worth, excluding obligations and family expenses. Muslims believe that everything belongs to God and that wealth is only entrusted to humans for a time. With so much almsgiving there is still so much poverty amongst the people, not just monetary or of possessions, but more of the poverty of the spirit and soul. Many of those who have studied the Qur'an still hunger for the truth. Pray that God will help them find Jesus: the Way, the Truth and the Life. WORLD MALARIA DAY. Pray for divine healing. Pray for eradication of this deadly disease in remote areas. Pray that government shall be responsible to provide sustainable health sector in Nigeria.

**Birthday:** Christiana Makinde, Temitope Alade, Ajala Fifehanmi

# **TUESDAY, APRIL 26**

Fasting is the fourth pillar of Islam. Every year during Ramadan, a month-long sacred exercise, all Muslims fast from dawn until sundown, abstaining from food,



drink, and sex. If you travel to most of our core Northern States during Ramadan, you may have difficulty finding a restaurant open during the day. Ordained in the Holy Qur'an, the fast is an act of

deep personal worship in which Muslims seek richer perception of God. Fasting is also an exercise in selfcontrol whereby one's sensitivity is heightened to the sufferings of the poor. Pray for the Muslims who though seem to be taught to look out for the needs of others, yet see no problem when others are being cheated, or people are killed all in the name of their faith. Ask God to reveal the Truth to them even as they fast each day of this Ramadan period.

# WEDNESDAY, APRIL 27

# **GMB MISSION HOUR**

The fact that Islam is rapidly growing all around the World is not disputable, especially when a man is permitted to marry as many as four wives and each wife is encouraged to give birth to literarily all that is in her womb (so that those she did not give birth to will not hinder her from entering into 'heaven' on the day of judgment). Public demonstrations of devotion in Islam can be seen throughout the world. Yet, in nearly every corner of the world, people from Muslim backgrounds are coming to faith in the Lord Jesus Christ, though exact figures are not available. Pray for these new believers in Christ. Ask that God will help them to stand firm in faith.

Pray that there will be many more of such breakthroughs all around the world especially here in Nigeria.

Birthday: Temitayo Olatunde

# THURSDAY, APRIL 28

# **CONVENTION IN SESSION ENDS**

Hajj is the pilgrimage to Mecca. It is the fifth pillar and the most significant manifestation of Islamic faith and unity in the world, since the Hajj brings people from different Countries of the world together in one place at the time of Islamic pilgrimage. For those Muslims who are physically and financially able to make the journey to Mecca, the Hajj is a once in a lifetime duty that is the peak of their religious life. It is believed that the Hajj is a remarkable spiritual gathering of over two million Muslims from all over the world to the holy city. In performing the Haji, a pilgrim follows the order of ritual that the Prophet Muhammad performed during his last pilgrimage. Ask God to help every Muslim to have a real encounter with Jesus in their lives. Many Muslims who go to Mecca don't know why they are there, some go for businesses and others because they just have the money to do so, Entreat God on behalf of these people that they will not completely end in darkness.

Birthday: Julius Akindele

# FRIDAY, APRIL 29

History helps us to know some of the things that took place in the past so that we can learn from them and correct what needs to be corrected for a better future. If we understand the circumstances in which Islam was born and developed, we will be able to have a deeper understanding of the prophet Muhammad. We will also need to recognize the weaknesses and failures of the

Christians and the Church at the time Islam was born. This will help us to ensure that the mistakes don't keep getting repeated. Pray that God will make His plan of salvation clearer to Christians. Ask that the hatred that has developed in the hearts of Christians towards Muslims due to the evils happening around us will not stop us from preaching the Gospel of Jesus Christ.

Birthday: Odetunmibi Emmanuelle

Wedding Anniversary: Rev. & Mrs. Demeh

# SATURDAY, APRIL 30

One of the mistakes the Church has made is to drastically and dramatically change the view of the Church from the New Testament idea of a Church, ekklesia which means a group of people, to our personal experience and our culture, which has brought the idea of a special building which is mostly used on Sundays, to be the focus of our worship. Jesus said 'where two or three are gathered in my name, there I am with them. The Muslim might never willingly come into our Church building, but they might feel more at home in our ekklesia which is not necessarily bound by walls. Pray that the Church will begin to rethink ekklesia to be able to accommodate the Muslims who are seekers to become followers of Jesus Christ.

Birthday: Ajala Adegbola Pamilerin, Samson Ajibade

# PEOPLE GROUP OF THE WEEK

There is a group of people who speak Dendi language and who are settled in Argungu and Bagudo Local Government Areas of Kebbi State. They are the Dendi, otherwise called **Dandawa people group** and are about 3400 engaged people with the New Testament translated in their language. Let us pray for these people of God that the Lord will make them submit to the will of God by accepting Him as their Lord and Saviour. Let us pray that the prince of peace will visit these people with His power and that in no time, the Old Testament Bible will also be translated in their language, so that they will have a complete knowledge of God.

# SUNDAY, MAY 1

A story was told of a religious Muslim lady named Ayse, She read a book about hell and it scared her into becoming more religious, but she said she 'found the god of Islam to be too far away'. Then a friend gave Ayse a copy of the Injil-the New Testament and challenged her to read it. 'I became a Christian after only four days of reading my Bible!' she says. Ayse understood that the 'God of the Bible is not too far away. We can reach Him. I could see myself in the story of the Prodigal Son. God is my Heavenly Father who welcomed me back.' Pray that there will be more encounters like the one Ayse had with God leading to her salvation. Ask that God will open the eyes of Christians to the needs of their Muslim friends and neighbors.

Birthday: Poopola Favour Omolola, Royal O. Ify

#### Rammadan ends

# **MONDAY, MAY 2**

Thank God for the life of the Administrative officer of Global Missions Board; NBC, Mr. Kolawole Awonugba and his family. Thank God for His goodness upon the Awonugba family. Thank God for the grace he receives in all that he does as the Admin Officer of GMB through Jesus Christ our Lord. Pray for God's wisdom, spirit of discernment, knowledge and God's power of perfection

to perform well in his administrative duties. Pray for more sufficient grace and mercy to perform well this year 2022 in the name of Jesus.

Birthday: Isaac Adedunni Gladness

#### **TUESDAY, MAY 3**

Let us thank God for the lives of all the staff members attached to the Administrative and Human Resources Office of GMB. Thank God for all the ground crew, Clerical Officer, Drivers and Maintenance Officer, for His goodness upon their lives and families. Soak all the staff of Global Missions Board in the Blood of Jesus with their family members that the blood of Jesus will speak for them always. WORLD PRESS FREEDOM **DAY.** Pray for every press man and woman to be loyal to truth alone. Pray divine protection as they risk their lives to the profession. Pray for Christ's freedom to all nations

# WEDNESDAY, MAY 4

#### Lebanon

Home to two of the world's oldest cities, Byblos and Sidon, Lebanon is hemmed in by Syria and Israel on the coast of the Mediterranean Sea. Because of its strategic location, it has been part of many conflicts with Syria and Israel. Wars and conflicts have displaced over 80% of the population. Meanwhile, there are over a million refugees seeking shelter in Lebanon - from Palestine, Iraq, Syria, and beyond. Christians, local and expatriate, have cooperated to demonstrate compassion and Christ's love to the many needy people. Massive grassroots protests in 2019 united a normally divided population against the Government's corruption, elitism, and inability to bring economic progress. The massive explosion in Beirut in 2020 and the impact of Covid-19 intensified Lebanon's woes further. Pray for this Biblical land to know the loving mercy and rich blessings of our loving Father. Pray for preservation of religious freedom. Pray for Christians to commit to staying in the land in order to spread the Gospel to their neighbors. Pray for healing and forgiveness for those deeply wounded by the tragedy of war.

# **THURSDAY, MAY 5**

Pray for every project that had been abandoned on our various fields that God will revisit them and bring those projects to completion. Pray for all our mission supporters that God will provide for them so that they can in turn reach out to us for the completion of these projects. Pray also that God will send helpers who will donate materially for the completion of these projects.

**Birthday:** Dorcas Peter Saba, Rev Dr. Dickson E. Madoghwe (Board Member)

Wedding Anniversary: Rev. & Mrs. Orogun

# FRIDAY, MAY 6

Thank God for the lives and families of all Missionaries who are laboring on the fields. Appreciate God for the successes experienced in the past and for ones they are experiencing presently. Pray that the God of missions will help them to succeed in all their endeavours. Ask God to continue to work through them to expand His Kingdom.



In the various Jumaat centers today, may Jesus Christ be vividly seen and audibly heard. May the atoning blood of Jesus save lives among the Muslim faithfuls today.

Birthday: Opeyemi Jonathan

## **SATURDAY, MAY 7**

Pray for all the ministries under the GMB, ask that all that they need to perform well in their duty posts, the Lord will grant unto them. Pray that God will be exalted in each of their programs for the year 2022 in Jesus name. Pray for the Coordinators and Unit Heads in GMB that God will continue to empower and strengthen them. Pray that God will give them strategies for their duties

Birthday: Oyeyemi Testimony, Adeniji Deborah

#### PEOPLE GROUP OF THE WEEK

The **Egbura Koto people group** (who speak same as language) hail from Koton – Karfi, Umaisha and Toto Local Government Areas of Kogi and Nasarrawa States. They are bout 60, 000 people with majority of them being Muslims, Although they have been engaged, the Bible has not been translated into their language yet. The Eggan people group of Lokoja Local Government Area of Kogi State speak Eggan. The predominantly Islam people are about 30, 000 engaged people who have no Bible in their language yet. Let us raise prayer alters for these people groups that God will touch the hearts of the Muslim dominated people groups. Pray that they will give their lives to Christ. Let us also pray that God will raise men to translate the Bible in their languages.

# **SUNDAY, MAY 8**

Happy Mother's Day! Praise the Lord for all Mothers, Mothers to be and Mother figures in our lives. Thank God for the roles played by our Mothers. Pray for Mothers that are looking for a day when they will carry their own biological babies. Ask that God will make the joys of such Mothers full in His own ways and time. Pray for peace of mind for Mothers that have difficult

children or children with physical, mental or physiological challenges. Entreat God on their behalf, that He will wipe their tears and answer their prayers.

## MONDAY, MAY 9

Lift all the junior staff members of GMB unto God's able hand. Pray for divine strength, favour, and breakthrough. Pray that none of these ones will be used of the devil in their services. Pray that sickness will be far from them and that they will in their little way preach Christ to unbelievers' around them in Jesus name.

## **TUESDAY, MAY 10**

Commit the Management and senior staff members of GMB into God's care. Pray that they will all receive perfect spirit to pursue God's mandate and vision in order to excel in all of their assignments. Pray that their lives will radiate the light of God wherever they find themselves. Ask God for the spirit of unity for them. Pray also for a very good working relationship among them in Jesus name.

Birthday: Paul Oyeleke, Shammah Solomon Lanzah

# **WEDNESDAY, MAY 11**

Mediterranean coast has historically made agriculture and tourism a critical part of its struggling economy. Unfortunately in 2011, this Country descended into a seemingly unending civil war that has resulted in record numbers of displaced peoples and an ever increasing death toll too high to even keep count of. The antiregime protests of 2011 led to a bloody civil war that continues till today. An estimated 400,000 have died, more than 4 million have fled as refugees, and the strife continues. Half of the population were internally displaced due to the fighting. It was reported that Government forces bombed city neighbourhoods and carried out mass killings. Opposition forces reacted with their own bombings and violence. Use of chemical weapons resulted in strong international condemnation. Pray for an end to the violence, and for solutions that will allow Syrians a chance to rebuild their lives and their nation. Pray for a swift end to the horrific civil war with people of peace rising to leadership. Pray that Jesus will reveal Himself to the millions of Muslims displaced by the war. Pray for the Church to be protected and expanded amid hostility.

#### **THURSDAY, MAY 12**

Pray for Mrs. Caroline Amadi, the GMB receptionist and her family, for greater level and abundant blessing upon her and the family. Ask for wisdom, discernment, protection, provision and knowledge of God in all her daily activities. Also ask for strength and sufficient grace to carry out in her day to day work in Jesus name. Pray that her labour in God's vineyard will not be in vain. Pray for her children to be great and to make it in this life in Jesus name. Pray also for Brother Lanre Alade, the Project Manager of GMB, that the presence of the Lord will be with him and his family. Pray that as he joins God at work in GMB, he will be strengthened together with his family members.

# FRIDAY, MAY 13

Pray for Evangelists Olayiwola Olawale, the Clerical officer working with the Administrative office of GMB, that the Lord of mercy will promote him and his family in life and ministry. Pray that the grace that will enable him not to fail God be given to him. Appreciate God in the lives of all GMB Drivers. Thank God for His mercy, kindness, love, grace, and protection, upon their lives, families and GMB family at large. Thank God for the

journeys these drivers have embarked upon so far and commit all the other journeys into the hands of the Lord that God will keep them in the hollow of His hands. Let us cover all the GMB vehicles with the blood of Jesus that the Lord will save us all from any form of evil occurrences.



Women are in bondage in Islam, Pray that God will liberate Muslim women and use them as His soldiers in this end.

Birthday: Kayode Christiana Oluremi

Wedding Anniversary: Rev. & Mrs. Oyelude

# **SATURDAY, MAY 14**

Appreciate God for all our ground crew in GMB office; this includes; the cleaners, gardeners, gatemen and night guards. Pray that the Lord will continue to keep them just as He has been doing. Pray for the wisdom and knowledge that they need to carry out their assignments. Pray that their labour in God's vineyard will not be in vain. Pray for their children to be great and to make it in life in Jesus name.

#### PEOPLE GROUP OF THE WEEK

The **Duwai people group** of Gashua Local Government of Yobe State speaks Duwai. The 3400 people are Muslim dominated and have been engaged by Mission Organizations although they don't have the Bible translated into their language. Let us commit the Duwai people into the hands of God, that they will be liberated for the Lord. Let us pray that the prince of peace wil visit Yobe State especially the Duwai people with complete peace. Let us also pray that the Lord will touch the hearts of those concerned to translate the Scriptures into their language (Duwai).

# **SUNDAY, MAY 15**

Nigeria is still a fertile land for God's kingdom to flourish from southward progression and up north to other nations of Africa. We are yet to have Baptist works in all the Northern States among the Unreached People Group. We need more mobilizers that will pray, go and give. Pray that Home missions in Nigeria will have great revival and expansion. Pray that more States in the North shall be open for missions. Pray for divine help to finance the new frontiers. **INTERNATIONAL DAY OF FAMILIES.** Pray for peace and tolerance for all troubled homes. Pray that families shall be the sure base for Christ's love in the world.

Birthday: Ajala Esther Yetunde

# **MONDAY, MAY 16**

Pray for the deliverance of the Land of Dukawa and breakthrough with regards to the contradiction of Islamic influence, traditional and cultural beliefs against the Gospel. Ask God to shield his servant, the missionaries from spiritual attack and witchcraft.

Birthday: Aaron Yusuf Demeh

# **TUESDAY, MAY 17**

Rev. & Mrs. Josiah Ige are our Missionary couple in Benue State Home Mission Field. Thank God for what God is using them for on the field and all the mission Pastors working together with them. Ask for the out pouring of Holy Spirit upon his servants. Thank God for opening doors of ministry in the interior villages of Benue land.

Birthday: Janet Oyeleke, Ezekiel Esther

# **WEDNESDAY, MAY 18**

# **Turkey**

For over 1,000 years, this region was a stronghold of Christianity. Later it became a centre for the spread of Islam. The Christian population declined from 22% in 1900 to 0.21% in 2010. Few of today's 73 million Turkish Muslims have ever truly heard the Gospel. The ancient Churches survived until the beginning of the 20th century, but massacres (Armenians), severe persecutions (Assyrians), and emigration (Greeks) removed most of them from the land. Even though it was one of the earliest mission fields and home to many New Testament Churches, hostility and persecution of Christians is strong in Turkey. Pray for a reviving work of the Holy Spirit among the 130,000 Christians from these ancient Christian land who still remain in Turkey. It is culturally accepted that to be a Turk, one must be Muslim, even if nominally so, and over 98 percent claim the faith. Pray for a radical change in deep-seated prejudices and biases against Christianity.

Birthday: John Oluwafemi Adewumi, Ajala Adetoro **Omolade** 

Wedding Anniversary: Mr. & Mrs. Folarin John, Mr. & Mrs. Ajala (Omolade)

# **THURSDAY, MAY 19**

Thank God for Churches planted recently through the students of Benue School of Missions at Alla, Buniku, Terka and Okpala. Thank God for souls that were won and enrolled for discipleship. Pray for bountiful harvest of souls of Tiv and Igede people during this period.

# FRIDAY, MAY 20

Ask God to raise genuine mission minded indigenous

students and resources needed for our School of mission in Benue land. Ask God to raise strong mission supporters for our mission projects in Otukpo, Gboko and Makurdi Ask God to raise viable Churches for urban Church Planting in our cities like Otukpo, Gboko and Makurdi. Pray for lasting revival in our existing Churches. Pray for lasting peace and security in the land.



Pray for God's special revelation that will lead to salvation as our Muslim brothers and Sisters observe their Jumaat services today.

Birthday: Adeniji Dadepo Jacob, Gift Oyemike

#### **SATURDAY, MAY 21**

Thank God for the lives of our contact person in Ogba-Egbema Home Mission Field, Pastor & Mrs. Victor Okoro together with all missions Pastors and evangelist working with him. Ask for God's protection over their lives. Pray and ask God to give them unction to function as they labour to bring souls to the Lord.

Birthday: Hon. Moses Uvie – Odeghe (Board member)

#### PEOPLE GROUP OF THE WEEK

In Tafawa – Balewa, and Kanam Local Government Areas of Bauchi and Plateau States of Nigeria, we have the Duguri, also known as the **Dugurawa people group** who are about 84,000 people whose religion is predominantly ATR. They have been engaged by mission organizations but they do not have the Bible in their language. Let us pray for the Duguri people Group that in no distant future, the Bible will be translated into their language. Let us pray also that God will make them receptive to the word of God so that it will make meaning to them and positive impact in their lives.

## SUNDAY, MAY 22 - CHILDREN'S DAY

Revival in missions starts on the knee of God's people. History has shown the great impact of prayers in breaking barriers, winning the most difficult emperors, converting fanatics and funding great mission campaign. Let's use today to intercede for open doors in every restricted point on every mission field. Pray that Government policies will not hinder the Gospel. Pray for the conversion of religious extremists. Pray that every secret discipleship in our fields will produce bold and fearless disciples for Christ.

## **MONDAY, MAY 23**

Ask God for increase of Churches and members of the Church. There are many mission Churches that are under construction. Ask God to raise mission minded individual Churches and organizations to come to our aid and meet the needs of these Churches. WORLD DAY FOR UNITED NATIONAL PEACE KEEPERS. Pray for everyone that is keeping peace in the world, be protected from enemies' attack. Pray for all our securities personnel to be loyal in their service. Declare peace in our land.

Birthday: Adenike Naomi Odetunmibi

# **TUESDAY, MAY 24**

Pray for some of our missionaries that are undergoing training in our Theological Schools and in other Schools both on full time and part time basis. Ask that God will grant them sound mind, good health and grant them good success in all their undertakings.

Birthday: Ejimadu Gift NwanyiSunde

# **WEDNESDAY, MAY 25**

#### Australia

The Aborigines, the original inhabitants of Australia, have experienced violence and discrimination since the British colonization, and racism and distrust still exist between indigenous and non-indigenous Australians. Both the sixth largest Country and the smallest continent in the world, Australia is the only continent without glaciers. It is also the world's driest continent, frequently suffering from deadly bush fires. The Church in Australia faces a mighty challenge. The strong influence of Christianity declined as the Country became more diverse in religions, and became more secular in its public life and laws. 52% of the population (according to the 2016 census) say they are Christian, but less than 10% regularly attend Church services. Many Australians see the Church as intolerant, abusive of its power, and anti-progressive in its values. More people prefer a personal spirituality based on individual preferences, and with no accountability. Pray for believers to stand firm on the Truth of the Gospel in combating increased secularization of their culture and their faith. Pray for Jesus Christ to capture hearts of the next generation before they succumb to competing influences. Pray for a move of the Holy Spirit to transform Australia and revive its Church.

Birthday: Ladi Ovelude, Adenike Adegoke,

# **THURSDAY, MAY 26**

Give praise, honour and adoration to Almighty God for His protection, sustaining Grace and His blessings upon all our partners in the past and present years. Ask God to give them good health and strengthen their kneels in prayer. Ask God to grant them success in all their

endeavours.

#### FRIDAY, MAY 27

It's Children's Day! Thank God for children all over the world. Pray for children who are homeless, or orphans at this time, ask that God will be their parents and comfort them. Some children have physical challenges, some health challenges, yet others spiritual challenges, ask God to please meet the various needs of these children (mention specific children's names you know as you pray). Pray that our children will have conducive environment to grow in so they are not deprived of having the best childhood they require for becoming who God intends for them. Pray that our children will not mix with wayward children in order to belong to the popular children anywhere they are, rather that they will stand out for Christ in their thoughts, speeches and actions.



Pray that Muslim children will be harvested for Christ and more doors of effective ministry will be opened among the Muslims all over the world as they meet for their Jumaat prayers today.

# **SATURDAY, MAY 28**

Rev. Noah & Rev. Mrs. Esther Adedokun are our Missionary couple in Ogun State Home Mission Field the among Ohoris, pray for divine protection for them and all the mission Pastors and their families. Ask God to accompany and accomplish His work in their hands with signs and wonders.

**Birthday:** David Oyeleke , Orogun O. Marvelous, Solomon Lanzah

#### PEOPLE GROUP OF THE WEEK

The **Fulani people group in Nigeria** is about 15, 500,000 people. In Nigeria, they are abundant in Adamawa, Borno, Sokoto, Gombe, Jigawa, Kano, Kaduna, Kebbi, Bauchi, Kastina, Taraba, Yobe, Niger, Zamfara, Kwara, Plateau, Nassarawa, Kogi and Benue States of Nigeria. It is worthy of note that even though we have Fulani Christians, they are still predominantly Muslims, although they have been engaged with the Gospel. The New Testament Bible has been translated in their language: Fulfulde. Let us pray fervently for these people that the Lord God Almighty will raise men to reach out to these people with the Gospel so that we will have more Christian Fulani Men and Women who will go back to their people to reach out to them.

# **SUNDAY, MAY 29**

Appreciate God for lives of Rev. & Mrs. Zach Ayokunle our Zonal Mobilization officer of Ondo, Kwara and Ekiti for what God is using them for in that axis. Ask for open door of ministry and fervency for the work of God. Ask God to bless the efforts of Rev. Dr. KG, Bolarinwa and Rev. S. M. Adisa working along with them.

Birthday: Adedeji A. Promise

# MONDAY, MAY 30

Our Proposed mega Church in Ondo needs urgent attention. A rented apartment is being used for this Church. Ask God to raise support that will help develop our site so that it will be attractive as a worship center of our God for most of the University students living around that place.

Birthday: Aderibigbe Hezekiah

# **TUESDAY, MAY 31**

Pastor Mrs. Odesola is doing a tremendous work in Oyo Area. Ask God to strengthen her and open door of ministry unto her. Pray that God will bless her with souls who will abide in Jesus name. Ask God to help Rev. Dr. Muyiwa & Rev. Ajayi of Abeokuta to be diligent in discharging their duties in their places of assignment in Jesus name. Pray that God will bless the efforts of these Evangelist and Mission Pastors. Pray for more ministry opportunitis for them.

# **WEDNESDAY, JUNE 1**

#### New Zealand

Since the 1960's, New Zealand has seen dynamic growth among charismatic groups and many dynamic Churches have emerged. The challenge of unbelief is increasingly prevalent. In 1951 only 1% identified themselves as non-religious, but by 2010 that number grew to 41%. It has been estimated that by 2020, Christianity would cease to be the majority religion and would be replaced by non-religious thought. Christianity is on a quick decline in New Zealand (37% in the 2018 census). The largest group is now "no religion" at 48%. New Age spirituality focuses on individualism and nature, and attracts many Kiwis (New Zealanders) who feel disappointed by the Church. 24/7 prayer rooms and other recent prayer groups still believe that God's spirit is still moving in the Kiwi Church! Pray that God will pour His Holy Spirit into the Church and draw back the many who have left. Pray for the Holy Spirit to humble the independent and secular people. Pray for immigrant believers to be bold proclaimers of their faith. GLOBAL DAY OF PARENTS. Pray for divine wisdom for parents. Pray against untimely death for every parent. Declare peace of Christ in the hearts of all troublesome children.

#### **THURSDAY, JUNE 2**

Thank God for the academic sessions of the year 2021 in the different Schools of Missions under the Global Missions Board. Thank God for the successes recorded and the challenges surmounted. Thank God for the Church Planters, Evangelists and Pastors that have been trained thus far in these Schools of Missions. Pray that God will make them fruitful vessels in His hands in Jesus Name.

#### FRIDAY, JUNE 3

Pray and ask God who has started all these good works, to bring them to good completion for His glory (Philippians 1:6). Ask that by God's mandate all the resources that are required for the successful completion of this work will be made readily available. Pray also for all the people that are working on the land that they will be protected from harm and accidents and that they will encounter the Lord as the Savior of their souls.



May God reveal Himself through signs and wonders to our Muslim brothers and sisters during their Jumaat service today, consequently making them to become His disciples. Pray that there will be harvest of souls amongst the Muslims this day as they worship in their various Jumaat places of worship.

Birthday: Popoola Ruth Damilola

# **SATURDAY, JUNE 4**

The School of missions Minna, has been blessed to have solutions to part of its perennial problems, through the

aid given by an international body and some other individuals with particular reference to a Baptist helper. She is a member of one of our Baptist Churches in Lagos and she's trusting God to build the male and female hostels and an auditorium for the School within the shortest possible time. Pray for her and her family for God's reward. Pray for more mission-minded partners for Global Missions Board and the Nigerian Baptist Convention.

#### PEOPLE GROUP OF THE WEEK

Nigeria harbors the Gera, otherwise known as the Gerawa people group of Bauchi and Ganjuwa Local Government Areas of Bauchi State. The about 389, 000 Gera speaking people have been engaged with the Gospel of Christ but are still awaiting the translation of the Bible into their language. Let us jointly pray that the Gerawa people group of Bauchi State will accept Christ for the betterment of their lives. Let us pray that God will touch the hearts of these people and that they will accept Jesus Christ with the whole of their hearts. Let us also pray that the Bible will be translated into their language soon.

# **SUNDAY, JUNE 5**

Happy Youth Sunday! Thank God for our youth, thank God for the success of the Youth Week 2021, praise God for all that was achieved. Pray that youth will be well grounded in the Lord so they are not easily swayed by the world. Ask God to make them His ambassadors and battle axes for the end-time battle of winning the lost from the world of darkness. Entreat the Lord on their behalf, that they will be able to effectively use their gifts and talents to edify the body of Christ and glory the name of God the Father. Pray that God will answer their prayers and meet them at the points of their needs through Jesus Christ.

Birthday: Samuel Adewumi, Fortunate Oladunni

## **MONDAY, JUNE 6**

Appreciate God for His sustaining Grace for staff and students of the SOM Oke Bola, via Ogbomoso. Exalt the name of the Lord for His protection and provision throughout the last School session. Glorify the name of the Lord for the successes recorded in the recent past concerning the enrolment of students into the School as opposed to the experiences of the past.

#### **TUESDAY, JUNE 7**

Thank God for the academic sessions of the year 2021 in the different Schools of Missions under the Global Missions Board. Thank God for the successes recorded and the challenges surmounted. Thank God for the Church Planters, Evangelists and Pastors that have been trained thus far in our Schools of Missions, pray that God will make them fruitful vessels in His hands in Jesus Name. WORLD FOOD SAFETY DAY. Pray against famine in our land. Pray against insurgence, herdsmen crisis and banditry that affect farming in this country. Declare safety for all farmers.

Birthday: Salome Ishaya, Amusan Ezekiel A.

# **WEDNESDAY, JUNE 8**

# Japan

The majority of Japanese do not consider themselves religious, yet their cultural identity and the way they live their lives is deeply spiritual. Most identify with Buddhism (69%), but the average person practices a mix of Buddhist, Shinto, Daoist, Confucian, Atheistic, and even Christian beliefs. Only about 1% call themselves Christian, and about 0.3% are Evangelical. A massive

120 million are still waiting to hear the Gospel, making it one of the world's largest unreached people group. Spiritual powers and principalities in Japan hinder the spread of the Gospel. The powers associated with idolatry in temples and ancestor worship in homes remain strong. Many new religions get started in Japan each year, often based on Buddhism, but also on the occult, the worship of extra-terrestrial aliens, and other strange ideas. Ask God to remove the spirit of delusion! Pray for the Gospel to take root in Japanese culture and no longer to be perceived as a western religion. Pray for drifting, over-worked, and anxious youth to find freedom in Christ. Pray for the unity of God's Spirit to demolish barriers dividing the 120 different denominations.

Birthday: Favour Joseph, Ishaya D. Tiyari

# **THURSDAY, JUNE 9**

Pray and ask God who has started all these good works, to bring them to good completion for His glory (Philippians 1:6). Ask that by God's mandate all the resources that are required for the successful completion of this work will be made readily available. Pray also for all the people that are working on the land that they will be protected from harm and accidents and that they will encounter the Lord as the Savior of their souls.

Birthday: Raymond Royal

# **FRIDAY, JUNE 10**

Let us pray that God will destroy every yoke of terrorism, kidnapping, banditry, ritual killing and other vices disturbing the mission work on our fields. Pray that any power militating against the work of mission will be destroyed. Plead the blood of Jesus Christ on all our mission fields and Nigeria at large. Pray that God

will redeem our nation Nigeria from the hand of the wicked ones in Jesus name.



Pray that God will touch the hearts of our Muslim brothers and sisters in special ways leading to positive decisions for Christ as they observe their Jumaat service today.

Birthday: Ayandokun Ayanlade Ayanlade, Gloria Inioluwa, Jemimah Busolami Olatunde, Joel Joseh, Gloria Ige

# **SATURDAY, JUNE 11**

Pray for the security situation in Niger State which has affected our Students adversely over the past months. Many of the villages where our students reside or work in, have been under attack at one time or the other. Ask God to please intervene in the security issue of the State and indeed that of the whole Nation.

## PEOPLE GROUP OF THE WEEK

In Bauchi State of Nigeria, Guruntum, otherwise known as the Gutuntawa people group reside in Bauchi and Alkaleri Local Government areas and they speak Guruntum - Mbaaru Language. The 31, 000 predominantly Muslims have been engaged with the Gospel but they do not have the Bible translated in their language yet. Let us pray that the whole Bible will soon be translated in Guruntum language. Let us also pray that these people will be ministered to by the Holy Spirit. Let us pray that the Spirit of God will not depart from the Guruntum – Mbaaru people

# **SUNDAY, JUNE 12 - DEMOCRACY DAY**

The service of the School Advisory Board in School of Missions Minna from November, 2019 till date is a selfless sacrifice and they have done a lot for the

development of the School. Ask God to bless their selfless sacrifice and labor of love for Christ. Pray that as some of them will be finishing their first tenure by December, 2022, they will finish well and to God's glory. Ask that their exit will not bring a regression to the work of the School.

Thank God for keeping Nigeria from breaking asunder. Praise God for the observance of the Democracy day. Pray against violence and civil unrest on this day. Ask God to help our leaders to govern according to His will. Pray for a restructuring that will strengthen our democratic practices and deliver more dividend of democracy to the citizens. Pray that the leaders of our nation and the followers alike will genuinely work for a true democracy where everyone matters for the development of this Country. WORLD DAY AGAINST CHILD LABOUR. Pray against the devilish act of child labour in our land. Pray for sustainable economic that will discourage such act in Nigeria. Expose, Oh Lord, every evil trafficker.

**Birthday:** Oluwatimilehin Matthew, Dorcas Ige, Dorcas Fopefoluwa Oluwasegun

Wedding Anniversary: Rev. & Mrs. Allen Tayo Olatunde

# **MONDAY, JUNE 13**

Pray for all trainee Evangelists and those who have graduated from our School of Missions, for ministry focus and ministerial fulfillment as they move into serve on the fields. Ask that God will provide for all their needs and sustain their families. Most of them are famers. Pray that their farms will do well and that their harvests will be bountiful too.

Birthday: Rhema Royal

## **TUESDAY, JUNE 14**

Pray for the Principal of the School of Missions Oke Bola, via Ogbomoso, Rev. Patrick Rotimi and his Vice Principal, Rev. Moses Ajibade, for greater wisdom and divine ability to run the School to fulfill God's mandate. Pray for their families for protection, provision and God's presence.

Birthday: Dorcas Ige, Cecilia O. Opayinka

#### **WEDNESDAY, JUNE 15**

#### North Korea

North Korea today is like a nightmare. The State creates a cult around the young "Supreme Leader" (Kim Jongun) and his dead grandfather (Kim Il-Sung), and does not allow the people to interact with the outside world. More than 3 million people have starved to death since 1994. Foreign charities can bring food, farming technology, training, and start business ventures, but are restricted in their activities and closely watched. Pray that help will reach the desperate, hungry people. Pray that in God's timing a change would come to completely free and transform this land. The Korean revival (1907) began in the Church in North Korea! People in those days called Pyongyang the "Jerusalem of the East". But most Christians fled to the South during the Korean War, or died as martyrs. Today, if you even say the name "Jesus" aloud you may die for it. We do not know much about the underground Church, but we know it has survived and is even growing. Pray that Almighty God will deliver this nation that has been long-enslaved by a brutal regime. Pray for the Church to persevere and multiply amid horrific persecution. Pray for Truth to reign and liberate the nation from the regime's indoctrination and lies

WORLD ELDER ABUSE AWARENESS DAY. Pray for the aged men and women to enjoy sound health and care. Pray that the Church will minister them in love.

Birthday: Oyinkansayo Ayoyimika

# **THURSDAY, JUNE 16**

Pray for Mr. Okeyide Samson and the Nursery and Primary School staff of the SOM Oke Bola, via Ogbomoso: Victoria Oni, Esther Oyedele, Modupe Iyanda and mama Ojelabi, for more grace and ability to impact knowledge and Godliness into the pupils. Pray for their families as well

Birthday: Mary Joel, Rachael Folarin

#### FRIDAY, JUNE 17

Lift up the School in prayers for the final and amicable settlement of the prolonged Campus land dispute which has affected a lot of developments. Pray that God will intervene, provide finances for settlement and prevent future reoccurrences.



Let us jointly pray for the salvation of all Muslims around us as they meet in their various praying grounds today. Ask God to place in Christians, a strong burden to intercede and evangelize Muslims in their communities.

# **SATURDAY, JUNE 18**

Though our mission Schools have been on for some time now, we are still in need of some basic things. The SOM Oke Bola, Ogbomoso, still needs decent hostel accommodation for her students among other pressing needs the School is faced with. Ask God to please raise His servants who will come over to Oke Bola to help us provide the needed infrastructures for the School to be

able to run without problems.

#### PEOPLE GROUP OF THE WEEK

The **Gwa people group** who also speaks Gwa language are located in Toro Local Government Area of Bauchi State with ATR as their major religion. The 2,520 people have been engaged but the Bible is yet to be translated into their language. Let us commit the Gwa people group into the hands of the Lord that the Lord will miraculously lead them to Christ. Let us pray for these people that they will have access to the Bible in their native language.

## **SUNDAY, JUNE 19**

Congratulations to all Fathers! Happy Father's Day, May God make our Fathers Godly, True, strong and Real Fathers. Praise God for the lives of our fathers. Ask God our Heavenly Father to help our earthly fathers to live up to all the expectations on their lives. Ask God to endow them with wisdom, strength and the wherewithal to take care of their families, their jobs and ministries too. Pray that all of our daddies will find favor before God Almighty and unlimited blessing with answered prayers. INTERNATIONAL DAY ELIMINATION OF SEXUAL VIOLENCE IN CONFLICT. Pray for all victims of sexual harassments and assault to receive peace and love in their hearts. Pray against this evil in our society.

# **MONDAY, JUNE 20**

The needs of the School are many but it's not beyond God. Pray for the completion of the first ever staff quarters, more Students' hostels, additional classrooms for training evangelists and more classrooms for the nursery and primary Schools of the SOM Oke Bola, via Ogbomoso. Pray that the staff quarters building and the

completion of the Chapel/multipurpose hall which is under construction shall be a reality in 2022. WORLD REFUGEE DAY. Pray that all refugees in the world shall have true refuge in Christ. Pray against every cause of chaos in our land

Birthday: Sinmisoluwa Awonugba, Talatu Esther Dogo

#### **TUESDAY, JUNE 21**

The Nursery and Primary School of the School of



Missions Oke Bola, is the way of the Board to help the community. The School has only three classrooms. This is grossly inadequate. Pray that God will raise mission-minded people that will help build more classrooms for the use of the School. Ask God to raise

help of this nature for the use of our other Schools too.

#### **WEDNESDAY, JUNE 22**

## South Korea

Praise God for the unique Korean Church! From the 1st Protestant congregation in 1884, South Korea now has as many as 50,000 Churches. God blessed the Church with series of revivals, and the Church has been refined through times of persecution. Today, its leadership is well-trained, and its strong missions' vision is an example to the world. Korea has some of the largest congregations in the world, and Christians impact all levels of society. The South Korean Church commits itself to sacrificial and passionate prayer, with early morning and evening prayer meetings, every day and all night! Unfortunately for the Church of God, the challenge of corruption and scandals in Church leadership and an inability to connect well with the younger generation means that South Korean Christianity faces rapid decline and decreasing cultural

# INTRODUCTION TO GLOBAL MISSIONS

igerian Baptists have a story to tell to the global world. The story is about Jesus Christ the light of the world, and His love for humanity. The Global Missions Board therefore is the channel through which the Nigerian Baptist Convention conveys the message of salvation to the entire world.

# THE BEGINNING OF GLOBAL MISSIONS BOARD

In 1953, a group of messengers who were attending the 40th Annual Session of the Nigerian Baptist Convention in Jos, passionately encountered, while journeying in a train, people who were half naked physically and presumably spiritually. Their passionate appeal for the Convention to commence a mission outreach among them was promptly accepted and approved. Thus, in the same year in 1953, the Home and Foreign Mission Department was established and the first Mission Field was opened and commenced at once among the Unreached People in Shendam area, near Jos, in present day Plateau State. The Department launched forward to open its first Foreign Mission field in Sierra Leone, an English Speaking West African nation in 1961. The Home and Foreign Mission Department was reorganized in 1999 into the Global Missions Board with a further mandate to reach the entire world with the Gospel of light and love.

Currently, the Board's gains include 20 Home Mission Fields - Akwa Ibom, Umuahia in Abia, Gyenye in Adamawa, Awka/Onitsha in Anambra, Igede/Tiv in Benue, Ikom in Cross Rivers, Isoko in Delta, Arogbo Ijaw and Ilaje/Apoi in Ondo, Okigwe/Orlu in Imo, Ogba Egbema/Ndoni and Etche in Rivers, Abakaliki and Afikpo in Ebonyi, Kamuku, Guffanti and Bassa in Niger, Dukawa and Kyengawa in Kebbi, Gashaka in Taraba, Ngara in Yobe, Billiri in Gombe, Okuta in Kwara, Okerete in Saki area of Oyo, Ohori in Ogun. The earliest Home Mission Fields which have been granted Autonomy included Shendam, Batonu and Afenmai, Abuja, Idoma, Funtua/Malumfashi, Ogoja and Southern Ijaw.

On the international front, Global Missions Board maintains full and skeletal work in 13 International Mission Fields – Sierra Leone, Cote D'Ivoire, Benin Republic, Mali, Burkina Faso, Chad, Mozambique, Niger Republic, Tanzania, Togo, South Sudan, South Africa and United Kingdom.

About 300 missionaries, and mission Pastors, Church planters and numerous fields workers serve in our mission fields.

# **MISSION OPPORTUNITIES:**

#### A. TRAINING OPPORTUNITIES:

- Dry Session School of Mission runs for 3 Months in a year (January – March) each year for 3 years leading to the award of certificate in Missions and Evangelism.
- School of Mission for Professionals (Engineers, Doctors, Teachers, and Others). This is a weekend

program that runs 2-6pm on Friday and 9-6pm on Saturday for ten months leading to the award of certificate in Missions and Evangelism.

- A One-Month weekdays or Three months weekend Mission training program for Great Commissioners (everyone that wants to be equipped for effective practical evangelism and missions).
- Nine months residential Missions training program to commerce soon at Okebola via Ogbomoso.
- Mission Awareness Conference conducted in Churches, Associations, and Conferences.
- Evangelism Chairpersons' training for Mission and Evangelism officers or coordinators in Churches, Associations or Conferences.
- Tentmakers Training for professionals who sense God's call to missions and are willing to use their professions to sponsor their calling. It is an introductory training for professionals who want to be involved in global evangelization as selfsupporting missionaries.

#### **ADOPTION OPPORTUNITIES:** B.

- **Prayer Adoption:** You can adopt a people group, missionary, or mission field and be praying for them regularly. We have prayer booklet like PREVAILING PRAYER BOOK (produced for 365 prayer chain for missions).
- Financial Adoption: You can agree to pay in part or in full for a missionary's salary or that of

mission Pastor

- Missionaries' Children Adoption: You can sponsor the education of a missionary's children for any number of year(s) you feel led to.
- Hosting: You can host missionary couple or family on vacation from the field.

#### C. SERVICE OPPORTUNITIES:

# Career Missionary:

Career Missionaries are missionaries who make a life time investment in cross-cultural evangelism that results in planting New Testament Churches. We need missionaries who are ready to work with other people.

# Short-Term Missionary:

These are volunteers who want to go for a few days/months to the field to work with Missionaries. This group of workers do not need a Theological Education, but can attend any of our missionary training School of missions. It will help prepare them for this work especially if they are to stay up to two years on the field.

# Student Missionary:

This program is designed for University students, Seminary students, Tertiary Institution students and others who fit into similar categories. They may serve for ten weeks or more during the long vacation. This group will require missionary orientation programme before field experience.

# One Year Service Corps:

This program is for Universities, other Tertiary

Institutions, Seminaries or Theological Colleges' graduates who choose to invest one year for God on a mission field after their graduation. They may use their training, skills or talents to meet the need of missions in any of the fields e.g. they may serve as teachers in one of our mission schools; Doctors, Nurses or Laboratory technologists in mission Clinic; Farm managers, Vet doctors, Animal Scientists/Nutritionists on GMB demonstration farm; pioneer Evangelist, Church planters and pastors on mission fields; Administrators, Financial managers, Mission mobilizers, Computer operators, Data analysts, Language instructors, etc. in GMB office.

# Journeyman Mission Program:

This is a two years for God mission program designed for single Seminary students, University graduates and other graduates from any other higher institutions, who are willing to commit two years to mission work in home or foreign mission fields. This is to be self-sponsored, Church sponsored or partners sponsored.

#### Tentmakers:

These are Christians who use their businesses or employments to further the work of evangelism and Church planting. They follow the example of Apostle Paul. They can be enlisted as GMB missionaries following some training in supervision, accountability, prayer and logistic supports by GMB.

# Volunteer Mission Mobilizers:

These are Mission minded individuals whose vision and passion are to promote and enlist as many as

possible to join Global Missions work force as volunteers, intercessors or financiers.

#### D. GIVING OPPORTUNITIES:

- Cooperative Giving (20%): This is 20% monthly co-operative due of local Baptist Churches paid to the Convention to care for our collective responsibilities including Global Missions Board. We encourage every Church in the Convention to be faithful.
- Missions Emphasis Giving: This is the mission offering collected twice in a year. First, Home Mission Week of Prayer in March to May and second, International Mission Week of Prayer in November to January of the following year.
- **Project Giving:** This is a special donation to meet specific needs on the fields. It may be training indigenes, providing mobility, building projects, and others.
- Partnership Giving: This is №10 monthly minimum mission donation by every Baptist including children for insfrastructural missions.
- A Will Giving (Bequeathing): This involves giving by a will, personal or family property to the course of missions e.g. house, vehicle, land, farm, books or library, etc.

relevance. Pray for fresh expressions of following Jesus that will bring new life – and a new generation – into the Churches. Pray for continued blessing on the Korean Church and its remarkable commitment to fervent prayer and a broad missions vision. Pray for their youths to be compelled by a genuine Christian faith rather than the expectations of the world.

Birthday: Emmanuel O. Orogun

Wedding Anniversary: Rev. Dr. & Rev. Mrs. Adewumi

#### **THURSDAY, JUNE 23**

Thank God for Jubilee Baptist Church Oshogbo who installed flood lights on the campus in our School of missions Oke Bola. Pray that God will raise others to take care of the solar electrification of the existing structures within and outside the building too. The locations of our School of Missions are very rural and hence the need for solar powered lighting. The running the School on petrol powered generators is not economical. **INTERNATIONAL WIDOWS DAY.** Pray that Church will arise to her responsibility to the widows. Pray against inhumane acts of culture on widows in Africa. **Bless a widow today!** 

Birthday: Inioluwa Oluwagbemi

# **FRIDAY, JUNE 24**

Appreciate God for the Advisory committee of the School of the Missions Oke Bola, via Ogbomoso comprising of Rev Segun Babalola, Rev Dr. Matthew Oludare and Rev Mrs. Awoniyi among others. Pray that God will help them to be instruments in His hands to reposition the School for greater exploits. Ask that their ministries and families will experience God's visitation.



As our Muslim brothers and sisters observe their Jumaat prayers today, may God reveal Himself to them as the only true God through the Lord Jesus Christ.

Birthday: Oyeyemi Olawale

#### **SATURDAY, JUNE 25**

Pray for all of our adjunct lecturers who sacrificially have been coming to teach and mentor the evangelists in training at the SOM Oke Bola, via Ogbomoso. Ask that God will strengthen, provide for their needs and grant them more grace and wisdom to impact the world around them. Entreat God on their behalf, that their efforts will not be in vain and that their efforts will bear fruits that will last.

Wedding Anniversary: Rev. & Mrs. Amusan

## PEOPLE GROUP OF THE WEEK

Hausa people group is a wide range people group who are natives of Bauchi, Kastina, Gombe, Kano, Kaduna, Kebbi, Sokoto, Jigawa and Zamfara States of Nigeria. They are about 30, 211, 000 engaged people who are predominantly Muslims. The whole Bible has been translated into Hausa language. Let us commit the Hausa people group into the hands of God. We have them all around us, helping us with one thing or the other. Let us pray that the Lord will use us all to share the message of Christ with all the Hausa people around us. Let us pray as well that the Bible which has been translated into Hausa language will be made readily available for these people so that they can grow spiritually. Let us pray that as we make efforts to reach out to them, the Holy Spirit will help them understand and accept the Lord Jesus Christ as their Lord and Saviour.

# **SUNDAY, JUNE 26**

Thank God for the work in the Missions/Pastors' School in Guffanti in Niger State. This School which was started officially in the year 2019 will be graduating her first set of evangelists and mission Pastors this year. Pray for these set of men and women that the anointing of God will not depart from them. Entreat God to empower them for the task of ministry and ask Him to meet their needs. Thank God for the leadership of the School, headed by Rev. Busoye Olopade and the numerous people who have been assisting from the Association and the Conference at large.

Birthday: Shomer Michael, Joel Joseph, Kolade John Oluwole

# **MONDAY, JUNE 27**

There are students who come to the School of Mission and Theology Guffanti, that reside in all the neighboring States. Pray for all these people, that their sacrifices to make it to School will be rewarded by God Almighty. Pray that God will protect them as they study and take care of their assigned Churches. Pray that they will not lack and that their families will be satisfied.

Birthday: Ifeoluwa Oluwagbemi, Adeyemi Adegoke, Favour Joseph, Olaniran Grace

# **TUESDAY, JUNE 28**

Thank God for the collaboration among Emmanuel Baptist Church, Ilorin; the Nigerian Baptist Seminary, Ogbomoso; and the Global Missions Board of the Nigerian Baptist Convention, Ibadan. Thank God for the first set of Mission Pastors, Church Planters and Evangelists to graduate from the School of Missions Guffantti. Pray that they will not lose the vision but

rather continually look for ways to be useful for God wherever they go.

Birthday: Samuel Kolade Ojo, Opavinka Marvelous Ireoluwa

Wedding Anniversary: Mr. & Mrs. Oyeleke

#### **WEDNESDAY, JUNE 29**

# Mongolia

It was not until 1921 that Mongolia gained independence with Soviet's backing. The nation now rests between China and Russia, barren and marked with deserts and pastures. This empty landscape reveals the lack of national pride. Christianity in Mongolia is a reality for the first time in modern history! Perhaps only 4 Mongolian believers existed in 1989, but by 2010 over 40,000 believers worshipped in hundreds of Churches and groups around the Country! The Church is less than one generation old, but she's already sending missionaries to unreached areas, runs national ministries, and develops its own Mongolian-style worship music. Pray for effective leadership training accessible by those in remote areas. Pray for more leaders to disciple new believers in culturally appropriate ways. Pray for liberation from shamanistic and occult practices through Jesus Christ.

Birthday: Ezekiel Ezra **THURSDAY, JUNE 30** 

There is the need for more of the kind of collaboration that has existed for the last three years among Emmanuel Baptist Church, Ilorin; the Nigerian Baptist Seminary, Ogbomoso; and the Global Missions Board of the Nigerian Baptist Convention, Ibadan, in working together to raise more indigenous ministers on our mission fields. Pray that more of our Churches, leadership and even members will rise to take up the challenge and answer the clarion call so that we can realize the dreams of reaching every nation. May God depend on us all.

Birthday: Janet T. Adedeji

#### FRIDAY, JULY 1

Appreciate God for the work done in the School of Missions Minna so far; the fence has been raised, a motorized bore hole and tank have been sunk and installed, the block of classrooms has been plastered and painted, and the ceiling and toilet facilities have been fixed. Ask God to reward and bless the donors and everyone for the labor of love for Christ. Pray for the completion of the other ongoing projects on the School compound.



As Muslims observe their Jumaat prayer today, pray that they will experience the true God and turn to serve our Lord Jesus Christ. May this year be one that many Muslims will respond positively to the Love of God through Jesus Christ.

Birthday: Abegunde Sunday Adebola, Goodluck Ovemike

# SATURDAY, JULY 2

Pray for divine vision for the School of Missions Minna. Ask Holy Spirit to give understanding and guidance to abide in revealed divine vision. (Dan.2:19.) Pray for the School to be obedient and remain focused on God's divine vision. (Acts 26:19). Thank God for Rev Solomon Lanza, the Principal of the School. Ask that He will continue to enjoy divine direction from above and good working relationship with the group of hard working and tireless volunteer teachers who work in the School.

#### PEOPLE GROUP OF THE WEEK

The **Jilbe people group**, who speak Jilbe language are about 3,400 people located in Jilbe town in Bauchi State and Cameroon border with Nigeria. The predominantly Muslim people group has been engaged but the Bible is yet to be translated into their language. Let us commit the 3,400 people of Jilbe into Gods hands that the Lord will raise men who will become passionate about winning their souls for Christ. Let us pray that the Scriptures will be translated in Jilbe language in no time.

#### SUNDAY, JULY 3

Ask God to reveal where He is working for the School of Missions Minna to join Him to harvest lost souls in addition to planting an d growing new Churches within and around Niger State. Pray that God will open doors to reach the unreached and to proclaim the Gospel clearly to them. (Col.4:3-4). Pray for fruitful harvest of souls in all 2022 outreaches of the School.

Birthday: Adedeji Aderemi Titus, Caroline Amadi

# **MONDAY, JULY 4**

Pray for Principal of the School of Missions Minna to be filled with Holy Spirit and God's power to discharge His service and work faithfully for His glory. Ask God to renew his strength and give him vision to move the School to a higher level of development. Pray for God's favor upon him and his family. Pray for God to give him good health, sustain and protect him and his family against all evils.

Birthday: Isaac Atilade Opayinka

## **TUESDAY, JULY 5**

The teachers of the School of Missions Minna have exhibited passion and love for the teaching service. Despite their primary assignments in Churches and tight schedules, they are obedient to God and are willing to be used to train and equip Gospel workers. Ask God to favor them, grant their hearts' desires and bless their selfless sacrificial services. Pray that they will not grow weary. Ask that God will continue to renew their strength for more exploits in His vineyard.

#### WEDNESDAY, JULY 6

#### **Taiwan**

Taiwan's controversial political status causes problems both within China and internationally. Taiwan functions as an independent State, but by law, she is a province of China. If Taiwan declared independence, it could result in a hostile military response from China. Even without such a declaration, China's expanding ambitions cast a long shadow over this beautiful Island. Pray for wisdom for the leaders involved, and for good relations with China. Taiwan remains a stronghold of Buddhism and Taiwanese folk religion. Over 90% of Taiwanese follow some combination of Buddhism, Confucianism, Taoism, and traditional religions. Buddhism now grows strongly among educated professionals. Most traditional folk religions have many gods, and people pay offerings to ghosts or seek advice from the spirit world. Taiwan remains the only major Han Chinese population in the world without a significant spiritual breakthrough. Pray for continued Church growth and pure biblical teaching amid ongoing persecution. Pray for Jesus' teachings to take deep root in the culture and expose all false religions.

## **THURSDAY, JULY 7**

The land of the School of Missions Minna which was being encroached upon by some people around the area now has a fence that has been erected to keep such people off. Pray that God will help the security men to watch over the School. (Psalms 127:1b.) Pray for them to be faithful, honest and committed to their service/work. (Col.3:23.)

Wedding Anniversary: Mr. & Mrs. Olawale Olayiwola

#### FRIDAY, JULY 8

Father, clothe the students of the School of Missions Minna with the Spirit of understanding, success and wisdom in their studies. Ask the Holy Spirit to grant these students special ability in their work. They have been called by our Lord Jesus Christ to bear fruit. Pray that these ones will bear fruits that will last. (John 15:16.)



Pray that God's revelation which leads to salvation will be the portion of our Muslim brothers and Sisters today as they observe their Jumaat service.

## SATURDAY, JULY 9

Thank God for the provision for the building of a hostel and a chapel. Thank God for the person He sent to meet the need for these two structures on the land of School of Missions Minna. Ray for God's blessings, mercy, grace and favour for her and her family. Pray that God will raise more soldiers who will willingly use their God given gifts to help in fulfilling the mission task in whatever ways He has enabled them to. Thank God and pray for more collaboration among the Churches and Associations that are supporting the School. As our

Muslim brothers and sisters celebrate the Id – el – Kabir the big Sallah /ileya festival, may they comw oto know and that the sacrifice of rams Bucks, etc: has been fully atoned for by the once and for all sacrifice of Jesus Christ in the cross

Birthday: Olawale Ifeoluwa

#### PEOPLE GROUP OF THE WEEK

Zumbun speaking people group of Darazo Local Government Area of Bauchi State are predominantly Muslims. The 2000 Zumbun people group are predominantly Muslims who have been engaged but has no translation of the Bible in their language. Let us remember the Zumbun people group in our prayers this week that the Lord God will open their eyes to see the truth in the Gospel of Christ. Let us pray that they will get to know God and the light of Jesus Christ for whom God really is. Let us also pray that they will gain access to the Scriptures in no distant future.

#### **SUNDAY, JULY 10**

Rev. Landi Giwa is the principal of the School of Mission Gidan Ahmadu Danjaji in Katsina State. He and his wife oversee the activities of the School. Their work involves traveling to promote the School. Pray that the Lord God shall continue to protect them and give them good health. Thank God for the other staff members assisting them in running the School. Pray for Rev Tambai and his family who serve in this capacity. Ask God to help them to achieve the goal of raising enough indigenous people who will evangelize the local people including those of the neighboring States near Kastina State.

Birthday: Godswill Michael

## **MONDAY, JULY 11**

The Northern States have not been spared in national calamity of kidnapping, killing and destruction of properties. Let us pray for Kaduna, Plateau, Zamfara, Niger, Benue, Yobe, Katsina, Adamawa, Taraba, Nasarrawa, Kano, Jigawa, Sokoto, Kebbi and Zamfara States. These States have suffered so much loss in the past year. Ask that the wanton killings will become history in our Country and there will be an end to these problems. The incidence that occurred at Baptist High School Damishi in the year 2021 is one that we must pray never to see again through the power of the Holy Spirit. Let us pray for kidnapped students, their parents and the School that God shall release them from the recurring emotional bondage and give them peace of mind

Wedding Anniversary: Mr. & Mrs. Adegoke

#### **TUESDAY, JULY 12**

Thank God for all the Conferences, Associations, Churches and individuals that have supported the School in one way or the other. Entreat God on behalf of these groups and individuals that they shall not lose their rewards. There is the need for more collaboration for the work in the Northern States to grow. Pray that God will touch the hearts of men and women who would give themselves for the success of the work. Ask that God will revamp their evangelism arm, so that they can experience, not only numerical growth but spiritual growth as well.

Wedding Anniversary: Rev. Dr. & Rev. Mrs. Ijaola

# **WEDNESDAY, JULY 13**

## **Hong Kong**

Hong Kong citizens experience more religious freedom than any other city in China. Chinese folk religion, Buddhism, and Christianity are just a few expressed there. She has become the source of many missionaries being sent out to the Chinese-speaking world. The nation has more opportunities to spread the Gospel than the rest of China. The massive protests and ensuing violence in Hong Kong were possibly the most prominent world news story of 2019. Christians in Hong Kong were divided about the protests and about Hong Kong's relationship with both the West and China. God has made us to see through China that we have seen in China itself that ruthless regimes cannot stop the growth of the Church. Pray that amidst great turmoil, believers might love one another and display unity in Christ. May Jesus be glorified in Hong Kong! Pray for continued freedom to produce and distribute Christian media. Pray for the Church in Hong Kong to continue to lead in proclaiming the Gospel to Chinese people worldwide.

Birthday: Olufemi Ajani, Makinde Mercy

## **THURSDAY, JULY 14**

The door of missions and evangelism is open in an area in Niger State. Many Churches and mission agencies have sent their Missionaries there. Despite the insurgencies, the missions work is penetrating deep in the land. Pray that the Lord will grow the ministry work in the area and that souls will continually be won to the Savior through the different means the Lord will lead His people to use.

Birthday: Olopade O. Olubusoye

## FRIDAY, JULY 15

The cost of living is surging higher and higher. The economy of our Country has not been in the favor of the general public. This has greatly affected the educational system of our land. Many children have had to be sent home for owing School fees. Even where grains or foodstuff is collected as payment for fees, things have been difficult. Pray that God will bring a turnaround in our situation for the best. Let us ask God to provide food and supplies for our Daily needs



As our Muslim brothers and sisters observe their Jumaat prayer today, pray that they will encounter Christ's love and respond positively to it.

## **SATURDAY, JULY 16**

Most of our Schools in the Northern part of the Country had to be closed down for some time in the year 2021 due to the problem of the incessant kidnapping, thus really affecting the School calendar. It is a pity that some Schools are yet to recover from the losses of the period and the trauma created in the hearts of many is still fresh. Pray that God Almighty will heal the wounds of the hurting, comfort those who lost loved ones and restore His peace on our land. Ask that God will divinely secure our land and that our educational system will be restored and even become better than it was in the past.

Birthday: Abundant T. O. Orogun, Testimony Erioluwa

#### PEOPLE GROUP OF THE WEEK

Bauchi State of Nigeria harbors the Ju people group in its Buchi Local Government Area and Ju village. The 1600 Ju speaking people are predominantly ATR worshipers, engaged with the Gospel by mission

agencies and has the Old Testament and part of the New Testament of the Bible available in their language. Half baked bread is no bread. Let us pray for the Ju people group that the complete Bible will be translated in their language very soon. Let us also pray for this people group that as they read the Scriptures, the Lord will Himself minister life to them. Let us pray for those who have no access to the Bible, that the Lord will raise men to introduce them to Jesus Christ.

#### **SUNDAY, JULY 17**

All of our dry season Schools of Missions are beginning to see the need for continuous studies beyond the three months they regularly spend in School for a session. Pray that this new development would bring development to each of the Schools. Pray that this new idea will not jeopardize the reason for establishing the Schools in the first place. Pray that the volunteer teachers will not be tired and that God will bless them for their sacrifices.

# **MONDAY, JULY 18**

Thank God for the Library and Resource center of the Global Missions Board, Pray that the materials available will be useful to those in the Convention Family who have need of the documents for their research work and other uses. Some old documents are needed to fill the gap of some materials not available in the Library, Pray that people who have such materials in their archives will be willing to donate these to the GMB Library.

Birthday: Bosede Mary Alli

## **TUESDAY, JULY 19**

Thank God for the Professional School of Missions, Ibadan. The School has been of help in training professionals and artisans who feel the call of God upon

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# Fulfilling this call requires:

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- A sense of call to missions or strong passion for missions
- A training in professional School of Missions or other missions schools
- A passion to obey the Great Commission
- The Support of a local Church or mission agency

their lives but do not want to go to the Seminary or feel their call is not to the Pastorate of a local Church. Pray that the School will not lose focus of its task. Ask that God will bring the people He has called to be trained so that the task will be readily executed.

#### WEDNESDAY, JULY 20

#### Macau

In the early days of Portuguese colonization, 95% of the population was Catholic, but by 2010 only 3% claimed Catholicism as their religion. Six percent of the population claims Christianity, but only 3% of that number is active. The gambling industry and its associated vices hinder Church growth. Materialism and greed are rampant, and Macau is known as a "City of Sin." Macau is the first Christian territory in Asia to become non-Christian. Protestant missions to China started in Macau. Here, missionaries baptized the first Chinese convert, translated the first Chinese Bible, and buried the first Protestant missionary to the Chinese. Many now follow Buddhism, Taoism, or traditional Chinese religions. Pray for believers to win back this territory for the Saviour. Pray for freedom in Christ for those imprisoned by gambling addictions. Pray for viable work alternatives for young people enticed by lucrative salaries in the gambling industry. Pray for effective evangelization of tourists and immigrants from mainland China.

#### **THURSDAY, JULY 21**

Thank God for the Training Unit of the Global Missions Board. The unit is saddled with the responsibility of overseeing the running of all the Schools of Missions both within and outside Nigeria. Pray for the Coordinator of the Training, Media, Research and

Statistics Ministries, Rev. Olusegun Makinde and the Unit Head of Training, Rev. Mrs. Temilola Adewumi and other staff members of the Ministries for grace to carry out their responsibilities to the glory of God. The work of the unit involves traveling during some periods, pray for safety on the roads. Pray for success in achieving the task of equipping the called out ones for the work of ministry.

Birthday: Popoola Oluwatoyin Dorcas

#### FRIDAY, JULY 22

Offer all worship to the Lord our God for the past endeavors, partnerships, and provisions for the GMB's research and statistics unit. Pray the Triune God to ever envision, empower, and provide human, financial, material, spiritual, and logistical resources to realize fruitful service

Research works and discoveries of the remaining unreached, resistant, and un-engaged people groups of the earth is the work of this unit. Let us ask God to assist Churches and believers therein to be making use of these discoveries for informed intercession, strategic planning and actions to evangelize the remaining ethnic people groups of the world.



Ask the Lord of harvest to reach out in love to our Muslims brothers and sisters as they observe their Jumaat service today.

# **SATURDAY, JULY 23**

Appeal in prayer to the Lord God in Jesus to pour always the anointing of the Holy Spirit on all Christian researchers and statisticians for revelatory wisdom to carry out their tasks. Entreat the Lord God to assist them to utilize His wisdom to discover all the necessary elements that will aid the propagation of Christian witnesses among unreached, resistant, and unengaged people groups of the world.

**Birthday:** Aritheshoma Ijaola, Veronica Ishaya, Bulus Ishaya

#### PEOPLE GROUP OF THE WEEK

Kakanda people group who speak Kakanda language are about 42,000 people settled in Kogi and Agale Local Government Areas of Kogi and Niger States. The predominantly Muslim Kakanda speaking people have been engaged with the Gospel but they do not have the Bible translated into their language yet. Let us pray for the Kakanda speaking people of Kogi and Niger States that the Lord will liberate them all for Christ. Pray that the Lord will make these people come in contact with Christ

#### **SUNDAY, JULY 24**

Commit in prayer into the hands of the Triune God the life and family of Rev. Dr. A. A. Ayandokun, the Unit Head of Research and Statistics. Pray the Lord God to shower on him needful wisdom and enablement to spur GMB to expedite action on the expansion of the Gospel of the Kingdom of God (God's reign) to the entire world with adequate research and statistical information.

## **MONDAY, JULY 25**

Supplicate the Lord God in Christ to saturate the hearts of individual persons among the unreached, resistant, and unengaged people groups of the world with revelation of His salvation, reign, and abundant and eternal life. Beseech the Lord God to grant these prospects the grace of repentance, faith, and obedience to embrace the divine salvation, life, and reign of God in

their lives.

Birthday: Sunday Adegoke, Oladokun Wumi Deborah

## **TUESDAY, JULY 26**

Implore the Almighty God in Jesus to grant to the researchers and statisticians His guidance, assistance, and protection as they carry out their divine assignments among the unreached, resistant, and unengaged people groups of the earth. Solicit the Lord in Jesus to offer them His insight in every research place in order to generate inspiring information that will spur individual Churches and Christians into evangelism and missions in the researched places.

Wedding Anniversary: Rev. & Mrs. Ige

### **WEDNESDAY, JULY 27**

#### Brunei

Though only 65% of Bruneians are Muslim, it is illegal to preach, and Muslims are forbidden to convert from Islam. These restrictions greatly hinder missionary attempts to establish new Christian communities. Islam dominates life in Brunei. The Islam practiced here is conservative, but not radical. Pressure results in a slow stream of converts to Islam from among the tribal and Chinese minorities. The constitution guarantees religious freedom, but it is illegal to evangelize and illegal for a Muslim to convert to another religion. Government agents often go undercover in other religious groups to monitor them. The Sultan is considered the world's 2nd wealthiest royal. Pray for conversions to Christ in the large royal family. Pray for spiritual openness and for religious freedom. Pray for salvation of the royal family, that they would lead their nation to righteousness. Pray for creative and bold witness to the Muslim majority. Pray for spiritual maturity and Biblical training for lay persons leading the underground Church.

Birthday: Ojo Lydia Ayomide, Gayus Joseph

Wedding Anniversary: Rev. & Mrs. Akpan - Ekpenyong

#### **THURSDAY, JULY 28**

Call on God of love in prayer to lead, provide, and empower the researchers and statisticians to give always the deeds of kindness and love to their prospects as they carry out the tasks of missions and evangelism among the unreached, resistant, and unengaged people groups of the world. Entreat God in Christ to utilize these deeds of love and kindness to open up the hearts and lives of the prospects to the Gospel of God's salvation and reign.

Birthday: Esther Oluwafunmilayo Ayandokun

## FRIDAY, JULY 29

Petition the Lord God in Jesus to send His Holy Spirit in our generation to cause world-wide lasting revival and spiritual awakening. Ask God to make spiritual awakening to spur the local Churches and the Christians therein into passionate pursuance of world evangelization. Implore the Lord God to utilize spiritual awakening to stimulate the prospects to respond to God with their repentance, faith, and obedience in order to embrace the Gospel of God and His salvation and reign.

Wedding Anniversary: Rev. & Mrs. Isaac

## **SATURDAY, JULY 30**

Entreat God in Christ for His support and participation with Missionaries, Evangelists, Church planters, and other Christian witnesses in the task of expanding and extending God's reign, righteousness, and holistic salvation to the entire world.

Birthday: Judith C. Royal

#### PEOPLE GROUP OF THE WEEK

Somewhere in Lapai and Kwali areas of FCT and Niger State is the **Kami people group** who speak kami language. These people are predominantly Muslims. The 9,500 people have been engaged with the Gospel but they do not have the Bible translated into their language yet. Let us pray for them that the Lord will make them willing to receiving the Good News of the Gospel of Christ. Let us also pray that the Scriptures will be translated in their language very soon so that those who are converted will have the word of God in a language that they can flow with.

#### **SUNDAY, JULY 31**

Besiege the Triune God to grant all the stakeholders of world missions the spirit of prayer that will cause them to permeate with prayer all aspects of missions. Solicit God in Jesus to grant and ensure great harvest of souls among the prospects and great spiritual awakening among the Christians and their Churches.

Birthday: Makinde Joshua

## **MONDAY, AUGUST 1**

Beseech God in Christ to cause all believers to take seriously the matter of life-long discipleship. Ask that He will equip all believers to be disciples and disciplemakers who are to work among the discovered unreached, resistant, and unengaged peoples of the world.

Birthday: Tamar Adeola Olopade

#### **TUESDAY, AUGUST 2**

Implore God in Christ to continue to anoint Christians and local Churches to respond and participate positively in the task of global evangelization. Solicit God that their anointing would be in the areas of prayer, giving, going, and welcoming the diaspora people with the holistic Gospel for their holistic salvation. Offer the following earnest prayer, "May God in Jesus Christ put it in the hearts of all believers of Jesus to pray daily for all aspects of the task of global evangelization." In addition, "May the power of the Holy Spirit spur them to continue in intercession for global spiritual awakening or revival that enhances the task of world missions."

## WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 3

#### Cambodia

Since the 15th century, Buddhism has been the national religion in Cambodia. Today 85 percent of the population is Buddhist, while less than two percent are Evangelical Christians. In spite of past Governmental attempts to eliminate all religions, Christianity has survived. Christians have worshiped openly since 1990, and indigenous Church Planters have established many new Churches. Spiritual darkness persists in Cambodia, from the many spirit shrines, the powerful grip of Buddhism that opposes the truth, to the widespread loss of morals. Only prayer will lift it. The enemy of souls makes people suffer under terrible abuses and oppressive poverty. The menace of drugs and sex trades hold power over many people. Criminals exploit the high number of unprotected children and young people. Pray for a display of God's power and continued unprecedented growth within the Cambodian Church. Pray for deliverance and salvation for the millions of children in bondage to forced labor, human trafficking,

and the sex trade.

Birthday: Rev. & Mrs. Oludare Bola

#### THURSDAY, AUGUST 4

Pray that the Lord God may put it in the hearts of all Christians who are professionals to perceive what they can do with their varied professions as social works or deeds of kindness to reveal Christ's love in actions on the mission fields.

#### FRIDAY, AUGUST 5

Make supplication in the name of the Lord God so that individual persons in the various mission fields will have learning spirits and minds to learn from the Christians with varied gifts whom God is sending to them. Beseech God in Jesus to use the learning to equip the people in the mission fields to embrace and enjoy His holistic salvation.



Ask the Lord of harvest to reach out with love to our Muslim brothers and sisters as they observe their Jumaat service today.

Birthday: Akintayo Michael, Adedayo, Iyabo Akinremi

# **SATURDAY, AUGUST 6**

Pray for the light of God to overwhelm the thick darkness of cultism, robbery and idolatry in the land of Etche. Pray for the righteousness of God to rule over the hearts of the Etche /Omuma believers consequently breaking down the spirit of vain religiosity without godly commitment.

#### PEOPLE GROUP OF THE WEEK

**Kanuri people group**, otherwise known as the Yerwa, Manga or Beriberi people group could be found in Borno, Yobe, Nasarrawa, Bauchi and Jigawa States of

Nigeria. They speak Kanuri or Manga language. The predominantly Islamic people are about 7,120,000 engaged people who has only the New Testament translated in their language. Let us pray that the Lord will strengthen all those concerned about the translation of the Bible into the language of the Kanuri people to translate the Old Testament of the Bible also, so that these people will have a complete Bible in their language. Let us pray also that as they use the Bible, their lives will not remain the same. Let us as well, pray for missionary organizations working in their midst that the Lord will strengthen them and meet all their needs. Let us pray that in challenging times such as this, God will open their minds to methods that they could use to win more Kanuri souls for Christ.

#### **SUNDAY, AUGUST 7**

Pray for God's divine provision to meet these needs for the mission Hospital on the field: procurement of an operating bed for the Baptist Mission Clinic, roofing project of Faith Baptist Church Ndashi and borehole for portable water in 3 Baptist Churches within the Etche Mission Field.

Birthday: Kayode Silas MONDAY, AUGUST 8

Pray for divine support for the welfare of the ministry team on Etche Specialized Mission Field. Pray that God will raise helpers who will adopt the School bills of children of the mission Pastors.

# **TUESDAY, AUGUST9**

Pray for greater ministry opportunity in Akpoku community in Etche where a survey has been concluded for Church planting by March this year 2022. And for

God to raise partners who will support the Church planting by providing 2 plots of land, a drum set, a sound system and a temporal worship center.

**Birthday:** Janet Omoyeni Adeyemo, Moyosoreoluwa Matthew

#### **WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 10**

#### Indonesia

Persecution is a reality for many believers in Indonesia, the most populous Muslim nation in the world. While only 15% of the population claim to follow Christ, the Church in Indonesia is experiencing profound unity as a result of persecution. The mission organizations are growing in number, reaching many through evangelistic endeavors. However, the emergence of Indonesian as the national language has allowed the Gospel to be communicated across ethnic and geographic borders as never before. Pray for Christians to boldly demonstrate and proclaim the grace and salvation of Jesus Christ. Pray for peace and protection for believers amid growing Islamic expansion. Pray for entire families to put their faith in Jesus Christ.

Birthday: Adedeji A. Beulah

# **THURSDAY, AUGUST 11**

Pray for the family of the missionary, Rev. & Mrs. Solomon Ikwekwa and all the Pastors and their families working in the field for God's protection, provision and fruitful ministry in the land of Etche. Pray that they will not lack grace and insight that is needed for their ministry breakthrough.

## FRIDAY, AUGUST 12

Pray that God will bless all those who are partnering with the field in bringing God's purpose to reality. Also

ask God to keep their ways safe from the evil of this generation. Pray that God will raise more professionals who will join the Specialized Missionary team of the Nigerian Baptist Convention in reaching the unreached. (Doctors—human/animal, nurses, pharmacists, teachers, farmers, tailors etc)



Pay for Muslims that as they gather for Jumaat service today, the spirit of God will bring about positive changes in their lives and hearts through Jesus Christ.

**Birthday:** Mr. Akinremi, Praise Olayinka, Rev. Dr. Peter Ajao (Board Member)

#### **SATURDAY, AUGUST 13**

Pray for divine protection for the Missionary's family (Rev. & Mrs. Babatunde Akintayo) and all the Mission Pastors working in Okerete Mission Field. Pray that the Lord will raise leaders that are loyal, committed, passionate and mission-minded among the Tangita, the Tamari and Somba people group in Okerete - Orita mission field in Saki Oyo State.

#### PEOPLE GROUP OF THE WEEK

A critical look at Bauchi Local Government Area of Bauchi State, Nigeria revealed that there are some **Kariya People Group**, who speak Kariya language. The 4500 people are predominantly Muslims. Although engaged, the Bible has not been translated into their language yet. Let us prayerfully commit these people into the hands of the Lord that God will raise indigenous Christian leaders among them who will be able to bring the Gospel of Christ to their people in a language that they will understand the most. Let us also pray that every necessary tool that they will need, which includes the Bible in their native language, will be provided. Let us

pray for men to fill in for their needs as soon as possible.

#### **SUNDAY, AUGUST 14**

Intercede for all our mission partners for abundant blessings, peace and uncommon breakthrough in their lives and work. Pray for speedy completion of our physical projects such as: Pastorium, Church auditorium and source of portable water supply that are ongoing on the field. Pray that the believers in our Churches will become true disciples who are devoted, committed and faithful to the course of the Master.

Birthday: Amadi Stanley Ukachukwu

#### **MONDAY, AUGUST 15**

Pray that God will touch the hearts of those whom the devil has recruited to rob, rape, kidnap and to cause civil unrest in Etche and bring them into the marvelous light of God. Ask God to bless the witness of his faithful Evangelists with great harvest of souls into the Kingdom of God. Pray that God will open more doors for missions and raise more faithful mission supporters for the field.

## **TUESDAY, AUGUST 16**

Pray that God will raise more mission lovers/partners in Oke-Ogun Baptist Conference. Pray that God will increase the passion for missions of our leaders and members to participate fully in the activities of missions within and outside the region. Pray that God will help the Government to speed up the international market in Okerete so as to open new roads for easy accessibility by visitors and for more mission opportunities.

**Birthday:** Maje Rabiu, Rev. Dr. Israel Adelani Akanji (President, Nigerian Baptist Convention), Rev. Paul F. Anyasi (Board Member)

## **WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 17**

#### India

India is the world's largest democracy. The current Government has been operating on a Hindutva (Hindu nationalist) platform. This has brought about intensifying persecution of other religions, increasing re-Hinduization/reconversion of Dalit and tribal groups, and the introduction of many barriers of foreign Christian mission in India. There is more human need in India than in any other Country. Approximately 191 million people, 15% of the population, are malnourished. Roughly 50,000 children in India are orphans, and about 22% of the population lives in poverty. The caste system, a once rigid cultural institution that assigned people to a social stratum based on birth, led to many horrific human rights abuses. The caste system remains a major issue. Pray for the cultural barriers of the caste system and Hinduism to be overcome by the Gospel. Pray for the Good News of Jesus Christ to reach every village and town. Pray for justice and hope in a nation plagued by oppression, poverty, and disease.

Birthday: Ajibade Moses Olayode, Praise Olayinka

## **THURSDAY, AUGUST 18**

The Fulanis, Gandos and Taminis are scattered all over Baruten in Okuta- Kwara State, with over 200 settlements and only three Church planters working among them. Illiteracy among these groups is 99%. Poverty is deep among them. Pray that God will raise more laborers to work among these people. Also pray for mission minded educationists, donors and short term Missionaries who will visit the field to meet the literacy need of this people. Thank God for Mrs. Babajide who

served on this field as a retired educationaist on one of the primary Schools in the area. Praise God for our supervising Missionary couple (Rev. & Mrs. Kolade Alli) serving in this area.

#### FRIDAY, AUGUST 19

Pray for more grace and encouragement for all Diaspora field staff. Receive divine healings for Diaspora ministers and families currently going through health challenge "Come against delinquent" spirit in the lives of the children of diaspora ministers and members. Pray for the business/career of many of Diaspora members facing difficult times presently.



Today being a day that the Muslim faithfuls will gather for Jumaat prayer, let us pray that God will reveal Christ to them as He did to Paul on the way to Damascus.

**Birthday:** Jeremiah T. Oluwagbemi, Ojo Caleb Toluwabori

## **SATURDAY, AUGUST 20**

Ask the Lord to send partners to help Diaspora ministry in the areas of infrastructural development and purchase of lands for Church buildings. Pray for God's provision and favour for all partners and sponsors of the Diaspora ministry. Pray for grace, safe trips & sound health for the Diaspora Missionary as he supervises 64 Churches in three States (Ogun, Osun & Oyo).

Birthday: Oluwaseyi Matthew

## PEOPLE GROUP OF THE WEEK

**Kitimi people group** are from Saminaka Local Government Area of Kaduna State. The Tumi speaking people are about 3,800 and they are predominantly Muslims. They have been engaged with the Gospel but

they do not have the Bible translated in their language. Let us pray for the Kitimi people that they will be spiritually liberated. Let us pray that God will provide whatever will be needed for their liberation — this includes the Scriptures in their native language —. Let us ask for special strengths and grace for all that are making efforts for the Kitimi people to be reached, that they will be reloaded with new strength every day.

#### **SUNDAY, AUGUST 21**

Thank God for Global Missions Board's investment in Diaspora ministry and pray for more as the Lord provides. Commit Diaspora programs for the year into God's hands for impact, impartation and attendance as expected.

## **MONDAY, AUGUST 22**

Cultism and other social vices are tools in the hand of the devil to destroy the lives of the Youths. Pray for the proposed 'Youth empowerment scheme' that is to take off January, 2022 with the hope of engaging the roaming youths who are now being reached for Christ. Pray that God will raise partners who will serve the Master in this direction, by providing 10 piece of hair clippers, 10 medium size generators, 10 complete sets of sawing machines, 10 cellophane processing machine, and other necessary items.

**Birthday:** Deacon Prof. Chokor, Boyowa Anthony (Board Chairman)

## **TUESDAY, AUGUST 23**

Pray for the timely harvest of the land of Omuma and the only Baptist Church in that Local Government area of Rivers State (Shalom Baptist Church). Pray that the light of God through this Church will illuminate the entire land.

## **WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 24**

#### Laos

Laos was part of French Indochina until communist forces removed the French in 1954. Since 1975, the Communists have maintained firm control. Closed for many years, Laos is one of the Asia's poorest and most underdeveloped nations. Poverty is most prevalent on 5 percent of the land, where 75 percent of the 6.6 million Laotians live and depend on agriculture and natural resources. Praise God for rapid Church growth, even under Government restrictions and persecution. Indigenous Laotians lead almost all Churches and evangelism efforts. Growth also happens through "underground" house groups. Over 90% of all trained leaders left Laos in 1975, and most Congregations lack a trained Pastor. Pray urgently for leaders both in the recognized Churches and in the house Church networks. Pray that new believers will grow strong in faith, and not fall away. Pray for believers to unashamedly proclaim the Gospel to their neighbors despite close Government monitoring.

Birthday: Bola Toyin Ojo

#### **THURSDAY, AUGUST 25**

Appreciate God for the life and ministry of Rev Noah Adedokun (and his wife) who doubles as the Coordinator of Home Ministry and Missionary of Ogun State Home Mission Field. Ask God to divinely endue him with the power of the Holy Spirit, and fresh unction to function in his ministry. Also, pray for Pastor Mrs. Makinde that is assisting him in the office that God will bless her endeavor and cause His will to prosper in their hands. Ask God to enable them to move the ministry to a higher level.

**Birthday:** Faith Olawale, Olufunmilayo Dorcas Ayanlere

#### FRIDAY, AUGUST 26

Appreciate God for the Missionary couple in Cross Rivers, Rev & Mrs. Ekpenyong. Pray that His grace will continue to lead and guide them as they continue to make His word and His name known among the people with the help of the mission Pastors serving on the field. Ask God to fulfill the desires of the heart.



Pray that the eyes of the Muslims will be opened to accept the once and for all sacrifice of the Lamb of God as they observe their Jumaat service today.

Wedding Anniversary: Rev. & Mrs. Josiah Ige

#### **SATURDAY, AUGUST 27**

Appreciate God for His faithfulness and preservation over the lives of the Missionary couple in Akwa Ibom Home Mission Field, Rev. & Mrs. Royal Ify, and other mission Pastors on the field. Thank God for open doors and uncommon grace for the planting of 3 new Churches in the year 2021 on the field. Appreciate God for the growth of these new Churches and ask God to bless their sponsors.

Birthday: Daniel Fiyinfoluwa Enitan, Ayomide Joseph

#### PEOPLE GROUP OF THE WEEK

**Kupa people group** who also speak Kupa language are from Lokoja and Katcha Local Government Areas of Kogi and Niger States. The 38,000 people who are mostly Muslims and have been engaged with the Gospel of Christ but they are still waiting for the Bible to be translated into their language (Kupa). Let us pray that as a matter of urgency, God will raise men to translate the

Bible into Kupa language. Let us also pray that when the translation has been done, God will make provision for the printing and distribution of the Bibles. In the meantime, let us pray that before these people gain access to the Bible in their language, God will grant them listening ears so that as Missionaries approach them with the message of Christ's love, they will listen, digest it and make decisions for Christ.

#### **SUNDAY, AUGUST 28**

Appreciate God for the lives of our mission partners at Akwa Ibom HMF, their families and Churches, for making themselves available to join God at work on the mission field. Pray that they will not lose their heavenly reward.

Birthday: Ruth Olaniran, Ladi Yusuf Demeh

#### **MONDAY, AUGUST 29**

Thank God for the sustenance and growth of the Churches planted recently on the field. Appreciate God for the lives of Rev. & Mrs. E. A. Udoh Rtd (former GMB Director). Ask for the healing power of the Lord to be made perfect in their lives speedily.

Birthday: Ezekiel Elijah TUESDAY, AUGUST 30

We need Pastors for some of our Mission Churches in Ebonyi Home Mission Field. Also 3 plots of land for the Church at Unwana are needed. Ask God to raise mission minded individuals and Churches that will partner with the field in making these projects accomplished successfully.

Birthday: Akintola Erioluwa Daniella

## **WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 31**

#### Malaysia

Divided into two landmasses by the South China Sea, Malaysia is both physically and socially split by culture, language, and ethnicity. The diversity of the Malaysian people is both a blessing and a curse. Malaysian society faces an uncertain future. The gap between rich and poor has increased. At the same time, minorities feel frustrated with the discrimination and Government corruption. The Malaysian Church has the resources and cultural knowledge to reach them, but it also needs the courage and commitment. The Malays are one of the world's largest unreached groups. Some now worship in house groups and multi-ethnic Churches, but no public congregation of ethnic Malays exists. Pray for religious freedom that would facilitate a loving and persistent witness to Muslims. Pray for the Malay people, one of the world's largest unreached people groups, to be evangelized both at home and abroad. Pray for an end to the ever-increasing pressure on Malaysians to adopt shari'a law

Birthday: Theodore Eniola Olopade

## THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 1

As missionaries, our people work in different places, with different cultures, world views, beliefs and values. Ask for grace for these missionares to be able to adjust to culture shock and to be willing to adapt to cultural variations as missionaries go from one place to another in their work of the Lord.

**Birthday:** Oketola Ronke Ololade, Fiyinfoluwa Ajala, Fogofoluwa Ajala, Ruth Dupe Ajibade

#### FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 2

Commit the missionaries into the hands of God that they will enjoy good health, divine health, perfect healing and recovery from every kind of sickness (es). Pray that God will preserve them from epidemics and sicknesses associated with the environment/communities where they minister. (Exd 15:26). The work of a missionary in some places involves meeting every need of the people they work with. Some see them not as preachers of the Good News alone, but as health workers. Pray for more grace in the life of the missionaries so that they will be sources of encouragement to both believers and unbelievers alike on the mission fields. Acts 4:36-37



Intercede for Muslims as they observe their Jumaat prayer. Pray against every physical or spiritual attack on the body of Christ.

#### **SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 3**

Thank God for the advisory committee of the Training, Media and Research Ministries. Bless the name of the Lord on behalf of the Chairman of the committee -Rev Prof. Emiola Nihinlola, the other members of the committee- Rev Dr Wilson Osikoya, and Rev Job Adeyemo. Pray that God Almighty will continue to bless them with sound health and wisdom as they sacrifice their time and energy to see to the progress of the ministries. Pray that their pieces of advice will continue to be relevant to the growth of the Board through their involvement with the ministries.

#### PEOPLE GROUP OF THE WEEK

Kyangakwai and Kamba Local Government areas of Kebbi State, Nigeria, harbors the Kyanga people group. They are mostly Muslims and they speak Kyanga. The 22,521 people have been engaged with the Gospel but

they are waiting for the Bible to be translated into Kyanga language. Let us pray for these people that their souls will not be lost forever. More Kyanga souls need not die in sin, let us pray that Christians around these people will be strengthened to make exploits for God in their midst. Let us also pray for Missionaries that are working with them that they will receive divine help for more souls of the Kamba people to be reached with the Gospel of Christ in Jesus name.

#### **SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 4**

Many kinds of issues are placed before Missionaries on the fields, some physical, others emotional or psychological or financial and some are even spiritual in nature, Ask that God will make the Missionaries to be spiritually sensitive so that they can easily identify those to be discipled and mentored. (Acts 18:24-26)

#### **MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 5**

Pray that God will financially bless the Missionaries to be able to meet up with every financial challenges on their fields. Ask God to raise men of affluence who will support the ministry and families of the Missionaries financially. (Luke 8:2-3). Each mission field has a need or another, pray that God will raise up people who will willingly reach out to help concerning these needs.

**INTERNATIONAL DAY OF CHARITY.** Appreciate God for people who give care, gift and cash to the less privilege on the field. Pray that more charity organizations will be support missions in 2022.

# TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 6

Commit the wives of the Missionaries to the hands of God to endow them with grace, power of the Holy Spirit and wisdom to build their homes and be able to handle the ministry to women, children and teenage girls. Ask God to equip the Missionaries' wives for better service in His vineyard, so they can complement the works of their husbands.

**Birthday:** Akintola Grace Titilayo, Oluwanifemi Bolaji, Christiana Oyetola Oyelude, Josiah Ige

#### WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 7

#### Myanmar

Myanmar's military junta (1962-2011, 2021) was ruthless. Their policies brought poverty to a land rich in resources. They reacted violently to protests, put their opponents in prison, and implemented forced labour. A policy of violence against certain minorities led to destruction of villages, rape, torture, displaced populations, and international condemnation. Buddhism has a strong hold on the Burmese majority, as well as over the Shan, the Rakhine, and the Mon peoples. Most children receive education in Buddhist monasteries. Burmese Buddhism mixes occult beliefs, superstition, and fear of the spirits. The Church must learn to understand the Buddhist mindset, and must also minister in spiritual power, in order to see a breakthrough among the majority of the people. Reportedly, thousands of Buddhist monks have quietly become believers and many study the Gospel and listen to Christian radio stations and programs. Pray for this quiet movement of Buddhists to Christ, to keep spreading, growing, and deepening.

# THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 8

The life of a Missionary is a very delicate one. His every action is read and taken seriously, hence the need to live a Godly life. Ask that God will cause the family of the Missionaries to enjoy peace, unity, and joy so that they

will indeed be an example to the people on the field. Pray that their lives will not be stumbling blocks to those they are trying to reach for Christ.

Birthday: Ayanlere Aanuoluwa David, Ijaola Ayomide

#### FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 9

Pray for continual insight, inspirations, visions, and revelations for the Missionaries, that they would not lack words for due seasons. (1 Samuel 3:1-3). Ask God to use the Missionaries to speak words that edify and build up so that the people on the fields will not only learn to use such Godly words but that the words spoken will bring life to revive and renew dead and dying souls on the mission fields.



Pray that God will bring many of our Muslim brothers and Sisters to (the point of) accepting Him into their lives before the end of this year as they meet in their Mosques today.

Birthday: Moyosoreoluwa Matthew

## **SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 10**

Commit the Missionary families into the hands of God that they will continually be victorious over principalities, powers and territorial forces of darkness ruling over the communities where they serve. Pray that they will not be casualties and victims of spiritual attacks.

#### PEOPLE GROUP OF THE WEEK

We have the **Kir people group** in Bauchi Local Government Area of Bauchi State of Nigeria. They speak Kir – Balar and are predominantly Muslims. Their population is about 5,000 people. They have already been engaged with the Gospel but the Bible is yet to be

translated into their language. Let us all commit the Kir people into the hands of God, that just as He did with Paul on His way to Damascus, God will meet with these people miraculously, in ways that we least expect. Let us pray that God will make their conversion miraculous in Jesus name. Let us pray that they will have an encounter with God and that when they do, they will be able to say by themselves that they saw Jesus Christ.

#### **SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 11**

Lord Jesus, help the Missionaries to be faithful stewards in every area of their lives and ministry. (1 Cor 4:2, Luke 19:16-19.) Entreat God to raise for Himself a great army of Mission practitioners, Mission partners, and intercessors in the coming year for greater harvest of souls into the Kingdom. Ask God for protection, guidance and deliverance from power of darkness for Global Missions Board mission supporters and the entire Baptist family.

Birthday: Ejimadu Ibe Johnmark

# **MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 12**

According to Colossians 4:17, ask that God will help the Missionaries to take heed to the ministry which they have received and that they should fulfill it (2 Timothy 4:5). Pray that none of them will be a disgrace to the ministry or drag the name of the Lord in the mud.

Birthday: Rev. Dr. Emiola Nihinlola (Board Member)

## **TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 13**

Pray for grace for the missionaries to be able to break new frontiers and advance the Gospel of salvation in Christ Jesus so that he will occupy more territories. Pray also that the frontiers that have been opened will never be shut again.

## **WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 14**

# Philippine

Once the second richest Country in Asia behind Japan, the Philippines political instability and poor economic decisions by Filipino leaders over the years have transformed the nation into one of Asia's poorest. Roughly one third of the population lives in poverty. The gap between the wealthiest two percent and the nation's poor is a wide one. The Spanish brought Roman Catholicism to the Philippines in the early sixteenth century. Centuries later, Christianity in the Philippines is widespread, with over 90 percent of the population having Christian beliefs. Most Filipinos are Roman Catholic and the Church and its leaders exercise a powerful influence on politics and daily life. The Evangelical Christian Church is growing and denominations are working together to advance the Gospel. Filipino Churches across all denominations are training and sending Missionaries around the world. Pray for more Filipino Churches to raise up and send out Missionaries committed to worldwide evangelism. Pray for honesty, justice, and fairness to replace corruption and greed in the Government. Pray for the Church to stand firm on Biblical truth and to be unified with one another

Birthday: Akintola Bezalel Oluwaseunbabara

## **THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 15**

Ask that the Lord will baptize the Missionaries afresh with the Holy Spirit and endow them with gifts to be able to be witnesses for Him. (Acts 1:8.) Pray that the witnessing will be a lifestyle affair and not just waiting to preach the word alone.

**Birthday:** Peter Oloyede Oyelude, Ajala Taiwo Adegbola, Ajala Adegbola Kehinde

#### FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 16

Pray that the Missionaries will continue to enjoy safety and journey mercies as they travel within and outside the mission fields, whether on foot, motorcycle, by vehicles, on the sea, on land or by air. Psalm 121:8. Ask that God's promise, never to leave or forsake us will always be applicable to the lives of the Missionaries, the mission Pastors, the Evangelists, Church planters and all their families too.



Pray that God will reveal unto the Muslims the truth that will set them free from the bondage of religion as they observe their Jumaat prayer service today.

Birthday: Oludare Bisola Glory

## **SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 17**

Pray that the labour of the Missionaries will not be in vain but will abide forever and that they will be rewarded of the Lord for every labour of love in His Vineyard. Ask that the lives invested on the fields will not die, but that they shall bear fruits that will last.

**Birthday:** Akintayo Christiana Boluwatife, Mary Akintayo, Ejimadu Deborah Chukwudiebube

#### PEOPLE GROUP OF THE WEEK

At Karin Lamido Local Government area of Taraba State, we have the Magdhi otherwise known as **Swidala people group** who speak Magdhi. The predominantly Muslim people group is about 3,700 and they have been engaged with the Gospel of Christ. However, there is no Bible translation in Magdhi language yet. Let us pray for Swidala people group this week that the hands of the

Lord will be so strong on them that they will notice His presence and give Him their attention. Let us ask that men will be raised for the Great Commission to the Swidala people. Let us pray for the mission organizations already working with them that they will receive help from above. Let us also pray that the Bible will be translated to their language as soon as possible.

#### **SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 18**

One of the most difficult things to convince people for support for, is Missions. No matter how much one markets it, those who are not interested will not see reasons to be part of it because the reward is not seen as it would be for other services to God in the Church. It is the responsibility of the media unit of GMB to sell our Missions work to people around us. Let us pray that the God of missions will give us insight and great ideas that will drive the work of God in our hands.

#### **MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 19**

Our social media platforms are one of the many tools that we use as the Board to reach out to Baptist members, telling them about the things that we are doing and reaching out to our Missionaries alike. We also have Whatsapp groups for mission updates, mobilization materials and prayers. Let us ask God to use these platforms to drive the work of His in our hands for greater fruitful results.

Birthday: Oketola Kolawole

Wedding Anniversary: Mr. & Mrs. Aderibigbe

## **TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 20**

Let us pray for all the staff members in the Media Unit of the Global Missions Board. There are lots of responsibilities accorded to them. Let us pray that God will grant them the wisdom that they need to get things done. Let us pray that with the wisdom, God will also grant them zeal to do all that there is to do for the propagation of the Gospel of Christ

#### WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 21

## **Singapore**

Singapore is a multi-religious society, with Buddhism (40 percent), Islam (13 percent), Hinduism (4 percent), and Christianity (16 percent). Religious tolerance and harmony are Government priorities and resolute action is taken when these are threatened. The Church is growing, though Christians struggle to maintain their spiritual fervor in the highly materialistic, competitive, and achievement-oriented culture. The Church in Singapore has grown steadily since 1970, especially among evangelical and charismatic groups. Mission Schools and effective campus ministries draw many of Singapore's educated people to faith. As a result, many believers have influence in society, as well as good opportunity to work as Missionaries in professional roles around the world. Praise God for the positive impact of the Church in Singapore. Pray for wisdom, boldness, and freedom to openly speak of Jesus Christ. Pray for more ministry directed to largely poor immigrant labourers.

Birthday: Rachael Awolola

## **THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 22**

We have a beautiful plan to mobilize more people with the use of documentaries. We plan to produce documentaries for all our mission fields and mission programs. Let us pray that the lord will help us in the actualization of these dreams and aspirations. Let us ask that provision will be made for these productions, (Mobilizations through documentaries). We are making efforts to look into Mobilization through Global Missions Board App. Let us pray that as we nurture this dream and work towards actualizing it, the Lord will help us achieve it and make it a success. Let us also pray that the real essence of this app creation will be achieved.

Birthday: Iyeoluwa Ayandokun

### FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 23

The Training, Media and Research Ministries have a lot of tasks relating to all the other ministries of the Global Missions Board, Pastor Grace Olabiyi is one of the staff in this department, pray that God will bless the works of her hands and make her efforts fruitful for the growth of the Board and the glory of God's name.



Ask that the Spirit of God through Jesus Christ will make positive changes in the hearts of the Muslims as they observe their Jumaat Prayer today.

Birthday: Ayomiposi Bolaji

## **SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 24**

We look forward to Partnerships in the production of our documentaries, booklets, fliers and other materials as the need may be. Let us pray that God will raise men for this purpose. Let us ask God to help us make contacts with the right people who will be willing to help us financially and materially for these productions.

Birthday: Priscilla Michael

#### PEOPLE GROUP OF THE WEEK

The Mandara, otherwise known as **Wandala people group** are situated in Borno State. They are located in

Mayo – Sava Division, East of Mora Local Government area and they speak Wandala language. They are predominantly Muslims and are about 19, 000 people. Although they have been engaged by one or more mission organizations, they do not have the Bible in their language yet. Let us pray for these people, that God will send them help this week. Pray for help that will lead them to Christ, help that will open their eyes to see the Son of God - Jesus Christ, help that will point them to the cross where true salvation exists.

## **SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 25**

Let us commit all the gadgets used by the media unit of the Global Missions Board in the hands of God. Let's ask that none of them will malfunction or pose a threat to the work of missions to the officers using them in Jesus name. Let's pray that these gadgets will be used to the glory of God and the service of humanity.

### **MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 26**

Let us appreciate God for how far He has helped the media department of the Global missions Board to enhance the work of God in the hands of the Global Missions Board. Let us appreciate God for the progress they have been able to make so far. Let us ask for more open doors for ministry through the media unit.

## **TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 27**

Let us ask God for more wisdom for the staff of the Media Unit of Global Missions Board: Rev. Allen Olatunde and Mrs. Grace Akintola. Let's pray that God will continue to give them the wisdom and the creative knowledge needed for the work of God in their hands. Let's pray that they will not grow weary of doing God's work this year and beyond.

**Birthday:** Ojo Joshua Toluwase, Olawale Ibukunoluwa, Patience Peter Saba

## **WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 28**

#### **Thailand**

Thailand was traditionally a stable Country in a troubled region. From time to time, power struggles emerge between political parties. Occasionally these bring the nation to a halt, until the military steps in. Traditionally, the royal family enjoyed highly revered status – a status quickly eroding under the current monarch. Violent activity among Muslims in the south at times brings further upheaval. The fact that 99% of Thailand remains unreached by the Gospel is staggering. The Thai people are 85% Buddhist, 8% Muslim, and only 0.5% Evangelical Christian. With an overwhelming Buddhist majority, many Thai people are bound to an intricate belief system that mixes Buddhism, folk animism, and Occultism. Thai Christians remain around 1% of the population, even after 400 years of Missionary work. Most of Thailand's Churches are small (30-50 members). Pray for the Gospel to effectively permeate this culture of Buddhism, spiritism, and the occult. Pray for moral conviction to fall on those who oppress others for profit via the sex trade. Pray for explosive growth in the Church to reach all 80,000 villages.

## **THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 29**

Social media has taken over the global space. Almost everyone uses it to interact daily. Pray that God will touch Christians to use social media positively as a tool to reach unbelievers for Christ. Pray for sanity and godliness in the use of social media that it will not lead anyone to eternal doom. Pray for Christian ICT experts to produce software applications and platforms that will

help Christians preach to the global world on social media.

Birthday: Praise Iyinoluwa, Oluwafemi Adebola

### FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 30

Missionaries need assistance of professionals in developing strategies and tools for missions in a time like this in the world. Pray that God will raise men and women with passion that will develop evangelical tools for mission efforts on our mission fields. Pray that linguistic translators, app developers, programmers for education, health and mission surveyors, and others, will rise up to assist Missionaries on the field. **INTERNATIONAL TRANSLATION DAY.** Pray to God to raise linguistic believers that will translate Bible into languages of the Unreached and Unengaged People Group in the world. Pray for financial resources for the translations.



Pray that God in His mercy will today visit Muslim youth with His salvation and recruit them as last hour Evangelists for the salvation of many Muslims waiting to be converted as they meet for Jumaat service today.

## **SATURDAY, OCTOBER 1**

Nigeria, through divine providence is 62 today after independence! It is a day of praise and thanks to the only One who has kept the Nation through thick and thin. Celebrate the God of our several National milestones. Appreciate God for the blessings of peace, tolerance and progress we have. Thank Him for what He will still do for the unity of this nation. Ask God to move our nation forward and give us peace.

Birthday: Oluwatoyin A. Ayokunle, Funmi Usman

### PEOPLE GROUP OF THE WEEK

Pa'a Afawa people group of Ningi and Bauchi Local Government areas of Bauchi State are about 15, 000 people who are mostly Muslims and African Traditional Religionists, engaged with the Gospel but without the Bible translated in their language, Pa'a. Let us pray for the Paa speaking people that the Lord will open doors for the Bible to be translated into their language in no distant future. Let us also pray for them that the Lord will reach out to every lost Pa'a Afawa soul in Bauchi State, so they may know the risen Saviour.

### **SUNDAY, OCTOBER 2**

Job 30:31 "This is the way God governs th nations, and provides food in abundance" And God is the Government among all the Nations. He rules in the affairs of men. Intercede that God will use all our political agendas from Local, State and National levels to govern the Nation in a Godly manner.

## **MONDAY, OCTOBER 3**

Job 36: 5. God is mighty, but does not despise men, He is mighty and firm in His purpose'. There is no wisdom, counsel or plan that can succeed against God. Ask God to show forth his might in our nation, to frustrate all the counsel, plan, strategy and wisdom of men and prevail over them to establish His own purpose.

Birthday: Victoria Ishaya

## **TUESDAY, OCTOBER 4**

Genesis 49: 22. 'Joseph is a fruitful vine, a fruitful vine near a spring, whose branches climb over a wall. Because the hand of the mighty one of Jacob was with him, because of the shepherd, the rock of Israel,

because of the almighty who blessed him, with the blessing of heavens above, and blessing of the deep below, and with the blessings of the breasts and womb. Pray that God will raise up for us men like Joseph, whom God will use for us, men like Joseph, whom God has already prepared and blessed to provide a good governance and leadership for our nation. Men full of wisdom and power of the Holy Spirit to strategize and forge a good course for the nation.

Birthday: Victoria Matthew

Wedding Anniversary: Rev. & Mrs. Adedeji, Rev. & Mrs. Dogo

### WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 5

#### Vietnam

Vietnam is one of the few Communist nations left in the world. Although it has employed capitalistic economic principles to fuel much of her recent growth, its people still suffer with continous oppression and increased social problems such as drug addiction, HIV/AIDS, prostitution, and the exploitation of women and children. This land has known great violence in past decades, and although peace now prevails, much division and mistrust exist among its peoples. The deepest spiritual loyalty in Vietnam is the worship of ancestors, at a level that is more than Communism, and even more than the mixture of Buddhism, Taoism, and Confucianism traditionally practised by Vietnamese. Freedom of religion is constitutionally guaranteed in Vietnam, but new regulations in 2005 required religious groups to register with the Government. Most Churches have been denied registration and have faced harassment and even persecution. Pray for effective witness from believers in prison for their faith. Pray for

freedom from Government repression of unregistered house Churches. **WORLD TEACHERS DAY** 

Birthday: Abosede Mary Ajala

### THURSDAY, OCTOBER 6

Genesis 49:22 "Joseph is a fruitful vine, a fruitful vine near a spring, whose branches climb over a wall. Because the hand of the mighty one of JACOB was with him, with the blessings of heavens above, and blessing of the deep below, and with the blessings of the harvest and womb". Pray that God will raise up for us men like Joseph whom God has already prepared and blessed to provide good governance and leadership for our nation. Men full of wisdom and power of the Holy Spirit to strategize a good course for the nation.

#### FRIDAY, OCTOBER 7

Ask God to give the Church in Nigeria an upper hand and raise a voice for the nation that will be reckoned with. Pray that God will raise Godly men for us during the 2023 coming election. Let us also pray that God will deliver Christians from the ideology that politics is a dirty game. Ask that God will raise His children to go and sanitize the system.



May God reveal Himself through signs and wonders to our Muslim brothers and sisters during their Jumaat service today consequently making them to become His disciple. As they remember the birthday of the prophet (Id-el-Malud) may the prince of peace be indisputably revealed to them.

## **SATURDAY, OCTOBER 8**

Pray that God will encourage all Christians to be involved and to participate in the coming election so that

we can vote in men after God's heart into our Local, State and National levels of administration. Let us pray also that God will do a thorough work of cleansing and purging in our political arena. May He remove the troublers of our nation and usher in men after His heart. As they emerge, pray that we will vote for those He has chosen to do His will.

Birthday: Folasayo Odetunmibi

#### PEOPLE GROUP OF THE WEEK

A critical look at the **Panawa people group** reveals that they are about 4,900 people, who are predominantly Muslims, engaged for the Gospel, but with no translation of the Bible in their language yet. The panawa speaking people group are in Toro and Bassa Local Government areas of Bauchi and Plateau States. Let us pray for Panawa people group that the Lord of missions will make the work of missions possible in their midst and successfull too. Let us ask God to empower every mission agency working in their midst, to provide all that they need for the success of their mission work. Let us ask God to make the translation of the Bible into Panawa language swift and easy.

## **SUNDAY, OCTOBER 9**

Let us pray for the Nigerian Government that God will write His heavenly vision and plan for Nigeria in their hearts and may He enable them to run with it. Let us also pray that they will receive divine wisdom, knowledge and understanding to lead and direct the nation in the way of God.

## **MONDAY, OCTOBER 10**

Let us pray that God will raise for the nation Nigeria, men and women like Daniel, Nehemiah, Deborah, Samuel, David, Solomon and Esther, who will be ready to lay down their lives for the cause of the Gospel and expansion of the kingdom of God. Let us pray for good governance for our chosen leaders, that they will discern the will of God and that they will shepherd the nation with integrity of heart and skillful hands.

**Birthday:** Kolade Praise Emmanuel, Dns. Folaranmi Foluke (Board Member)

#### **TUESDAY, OCTOBER 11**

Nigeria has suffered from bribery and corruption for long. Intercede that God will raise up men of changed heart to change Nigeria for the best and to fulfill all the words of God's prophecies. Pray that God will enable the Nigeria Government and the economic managers to make the right economic decisions that will boast our economic, in order to bless our Mission Donors and Mission Investors the more consequently making them to contribute more for Missions.

Birthday: Bunmi Akindele

## **WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 12**

#### Saudi Arabia

Saudi Arabia is the birthplace and stronghold of Islam. From Mecca, Islam holds influence over billions, and touches many cultures worldwide. Billions of oil dollars go towards promotion of Islam around the world every year. A spiritual breakthrough for Jesus Christ here would transform Islam and all who follow it. All Muslims must pray with face towards Mecca's direction 5 times daily, and over 2 million Muslims make the pilgrimage (Hajj) to Mecca every year. Pray that many who seek God might encounter the living Christ. Saudi Arabia's record on religious freedom and human rights

is probably the world's worst. People of faiths other than Islam can live in Saudi Arabia, but they cannot practice their religion openly or even gather privately. Authorities watch Christian expatriates all the time, and those caught meeting even in homes can face beatings, prison, expulsion, or even execution. Pray for strength, wisdom, and courage for the community of foreign believers. Pray also for a witness to Christ among all foreign workers, that many might come to Jesus while in this land. Pray for the epicenter of Islam to become a launching pad for the Gospel to the Muslim world.

### **THURSDAY, OCTOBER 13**

Job 3:23 "The Almighty is beyond our reach and exalted in power. In His justice and great righteousness, He does not oppress" in all their affliction, God is being afflicted and the angel of his presence saved them. Intercede that God will rise up in His justice and righteousness, hear the cry of people being kidnapped, people who have fallen victims in the hands of the Boko — Haram, kidnappers, Herdsmen, Terrorists, armed robbers and Bandits. Ask the Lord to rescue and deliver them.

Birthday: Andrew Yusuf Demeh

## FRIDAY, OCTOBER 14

Psalm 22:12–21. Let us read this passage as we intercede that God will deliver our nation, Nigeria from the hands of all trouble makers, wicked men and women, and those who have sold their hearts to the devil.



As our Muslim brothers and sisters observe their Jumaat service today, may God reveal himself to them as the only true God through the Lord Jesus Christ. Birthday: Joseph D. B. Shada, Tolulola Joshua

### SATURDAY, OCTOBER 15

Act 19:20. Let us use this passage to plead with God for the Northern land of Nigeria that God will cause a great revival that the Church and Gospel will not die in the land. Pray that the Gospel will flourish and spread widely like bush fire and that the Church will grow in God's power more than ever before. INTERNATIONAL DAY OF RURAL WOMEN. Pray for improved livelihood for the rural women. Pray that Government will remember them with social amenities. Pray for the salvation of their souls as they live to provide for the families.

Birthday: Oluwatosin Ajani

#### PEOPLE GROUP OF THE WEEK

The Gana - Gana people group of Lokoja Local Government of Kogi and Niger States are about 143, 000 people. The predominantly Muslim Gana - Gana speaking people have been engaged for the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ but they are still waiting for the Bible to be translated into their language. Let us pray that the Lord God Almighty will make a way for the Bible to be translated in Gana – Gana language. Let us ask that God will help the missionaries working among the Gana – Gana people to win more souls for the Lord. Let us pray that the Lord will give them insight on what to do and how to go about their strategies for winning souls for God.

# **SUNDAY, OCTOBER 16**

Being together as a nation till today is purely out of God's love. Appreciate God for the vision of our founding fathers. Thank Him for vision fulfilment

witnessed so far. Bless His name for greater things He has in store for the nation. Celebrate God with songs of praises. Ask God to lead our leaders to properly fund education at all levels. Pray that those saddled with the responsibilities of implementation of educational policies be men and women of impeccable character and love for the citizenry. WORLD FOOD DAY. Pray against drought and famine in Nigeria. Pray that the Gospel of Christ becomes food of life for all. Pray for hunger of His word in all our Churches.

Birthday: Dorcas Oyeleke

Wedding Anniversary: Mr. & Mrs. Awonugba

#### **MONDAY, OCTOBER 17**

Our heroes and heroines have contributed in no small measure to better the lots of all and sundry in the Country. Pray that the labour of our leaders (past and present) will not be in vain. Pray for sustainability of what has been built. Pray for the coming generations to love and protect Godly legacies of our past leaders.

Birthday: Bolaji A. O. (Mrs.), Ejimadu Emmanuel Chukwuemeka

Wedding Anniversary: Mr. & Dr. Mrs. Adewale Bolaji

## **TUESDAY, OCTOBER 18**

Many Nigerians have lost hope in the Nigerian project for several reasons. Intercede that God revives our love for the Nation. Pray that God's purpose for keeping this entity together all these years will come to manifestation. Pray for sincere love for one another. Pray for renewal of trust for and in our nation Nigeria. Ask God to continue to shield the nation against food insecurity in the coming days. Pray for bumper harvest through God's help. Pray that the weather condition be favourable for increased yield as the years go by.

Birthday: Ayanlere Olutunde, Adeola Adegoke

## **WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 19**

#### Kuwait

Foreign ethnic minority groups form most of the workforce in Kuwait. Most are men from Arab lands who leave families for work. Workers also come from Asia (India, the Philippines, Indonesia, others) to provide housework and childcare for Kuwaiti Arab families. Many feel lonely, and receive unjust treatment. Sunni Islam is the official religion of Kuwait, and 60% of the people follow that faith. Twenty-five percent are Shi'a Muslims, and 14% are Christians. The underground Church is growing quickly in numbers and maturity. Between 2005 and 2010, Christianity in Kuwait had an annual growth rate of nearly 6%. Christian meetings are allowed, but only in certain designated compounds. More space is needed. Christian satellite TV, radio programs, and websites are effective tools that are reaching numerous Kuwaitis with the message of Christ. Many Kuwaiti students who study abroad encounter Christian witnesses and become followers of Jesus. Pray for God to use His unlimited resources to make Himself known to Muslims. Pray for the salvation of Kuwaitis studying in nations where the Gospel is openly proclaimed. Pray for expatriate believers to be fearless speakers of truth.

## **THURSDAY, OCTOBER 20**

Several religious and non-religious bodies have embarked on impactful community social responsibilities which have made better the lots of several citizens. Ask God to keep such spirit alive in all the nooks and crannies of the Nation. The negative

aftermath of Covid 19 pandemic is still so much with us with new variants. Still, Covid-19 comes with new waves of deadly attacks. Pray that God brings a total end to the global pandemic. Pray for divine protection on this nation. Pray for divine immunity for the unreached people in the rural areas with little or no health resources, as well as the populace in the towns and cities.

Birthday: Felix Ajibade, Miracle O. Orogun, Oluwadamilola Ajani

Wedding Anniversary: Mr. & Mrs. Ayanlere

### FRIDAY, OCTOBER 21

## Quatar

Nearly 80% of the population of Quatar is Muslim, and it is forbidden to criticize the ruling family or Islam or to share the Gospel. Many expatriates have been forced to leave the Country as a result of speaking about Christ. Immigrant Christians are allowed to practice their faith, though they are considered second hand citizens. It is also difficult for Christians to gather together, as Government policy strictly regulates the meetings. Even so, land has been offered up to Christian communities to build the first Churches in Qatar since the spread of Islam. Pray for open doors for Muslims to hear and receive the Gospel. Pray for a recognition of spiritual need amid such material wealth. Pray for the birth of an indigenous Church focused on sharing the Gospel with all Qataris.



As the house of Islam worships this Friday, may the veil that is covering their faces be removed so that they can see and embrace the living God the father and Jesus His Son.

Birthday: Eunice O. Amusan, Samuel Kehinde Ajala, Aderanti Racheal Abegunde

## **SATURDAY, OCTOBER 22**

Nigerians are passing through a very tough time economically. The times are hard. Pray for economic recovery in a no distant time. Ask God to bless our leaders with all divine abilities needed to turn the fortunes of the nation around.

#### PEOPLE GROUP OF THE WEEK

Kamba, Argungu and Birnnin Kebbi local government areas of Kebbi and Niger States harbour the Zarma otherwise known as the Dgerma people group. They are about 143, 000 people who speak Zarma. They are predominantly Muslims, although engaged by one or more mission agencies and the whole Bible has been translated in their language. Let us pray for these people that the Lord will make the word of God that has been written in their language to enrich their hearts. Ask that the Lord will make the Scriptures available to them and that it will make a positive impact in their lives. Let us ask God for strategies needed to reach these people.

## **SUNDAY, OCTOBER 23**

Several calculations and permutations are already on ground as the nation prepares for the general elections in the year 2023. Pray that the will of God prevails before, during and after the forthcoming general elections.

# **MONDAY, OCTOBER 24**

Ask God to expose and incapacitate all evil machinations and their perpetrators all over the Country. Intercede that every evil planned against the entire citizenry will not see the light of the day. Jesus Christ remains the Light of the world. Pray that the light of Christ permeates all the nooks and crannies of this nation. Ask God to speedily dispel darkness in all its ramifications.

### **TUESDAY, OCTOBER 25**

Some politicians are scheming to rule this nation to enrich themselves at the expense of all the masses. Ask God to turn their machinations against them. Pray that the righteous will flourish in Nigeria.

### **WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 26**

Bahrain enjoys greater freedom than almost all the Gulf Countries, and therefore is spiritually strategic. Praise God for the local believers. Some worship with the various established Churches, and others gather in more informal networks. Pray especially for unity and cooperation among these groups, as a testimony to their fellow Arabs. Bahrain sits in a strategic position among Arab gulf nations. With a greater sense of freedom, Bahrain has opened its doors to some Christian influence. Preaching remains illegal, and local Christians struggle to freely practice their faith with some worshipping in secret. With religious freedom for expatriate believers, one will find quite a few Churches within these borders. With 83.2% of the population claiming to follow Islam and 9.8% claiming Christianity (predominantly foreigners), Bahrain still remains desperately in need of the Gospel. Pray for Bahrainis to discover Gospel-proclaiming media resources. Pray for a united, vibrant, and mature national Church. Pray for Christian expatriates to boldly and creatively share the Gospel with Bahrainis

Birthday: Opavinka Mercy Oreoluwa

Wedding Anniversary: Mr. & Mrs. Gbemiga Kayode,

Rev. & Mrs. Alli

#### **THURSDAY, OCTOBER 27**

Appreciate God for the Nation Nigeria. Thank God for keeping us together as one, despite our differences. Give glory to God for not permitting civil war, famine, economic inflation, Terrorism, Violence, Fulaniherdsmen attack, or any other evil plan of Satan to scatter the Nation. Bless God for the lives of our Spiritual and Political leaders at various levels. Ask God to direct their hearts to do His will always. Pray that God will give them wisdom and revelation on how to lead the Nation into the path of justice, equity and righteousness. Intercede that God will lead the Nation to fulfill His plan of Salvation for Humanity.

#### FRIDAY, OCTOBER 28

It is very saddening and alarming how lives are being wasted on daily basis on the ground of armed banditry and kidnapping. Pray that God will expose those behind these dastardly acts and for God to make the nation peaceful again. Insurgency and armed banditry have led to increased School drop- outs especially in the North Eastern axis of Nigeria. Intercede for lasting peace and an upsurge in School enrolment in no distant time.



As Muslims observe Jumaat prayer today, pray that God himself will visit them with His salvation.

Birthday: Olusegun Makinde

## **SATURDAY, OCTOBER 29**

The family unit is becoming polarized on several grounds. This portends very great danger for the future of the Country. Pray that the family unit be made stronger and united than ever before.

Birthday: Oluwadamilola Alade, Lois OjurereOluwa

Awonugba

#### PEOPLE GROUP OF THE WEEK

The Puku People Group who are also known as Fakanchi people are situated in Zuru, Fakai distict and Sakaba Local Government areas of Kebbi and Zamfara States. They speak Ut – ma and they are predominantly African Traditional Worshipers (ATR). The 67, 000 people have been engaged for the Lord by mission agencies but the Bible is yet to be translated into their language. Let us pray for the Puku people that the God of missions will touch their hearts and give them a miraculous shift for God. Let us bind all territorial powers that could be working against the propagation of the Gospel that the Lord will render them powerless. Let us pray that the word of God will be made available to them in their language in no time.

### **SUNDAY, OCTOBER 30**

The rank and files of our Military outfit has been infiltrated noticeably thus leading to leakages of operational strategies. Ask God to fish out all saboteurs in the midst of our Military, Police and Para Military apparatus.

Birthday: Augustine Usman

Wedding Anniversary: Rev. & Mrs. Solomon Lanzah

## **MONDAY, OCTOBER 31**

Appeal to God in Christ to assign, anoint, and empower His committed followers to go and carry out spiritual mapping of the communities under the siege, bondage, and control of devil and his cohorts. Debo Daniel discloses the benefit of spiritual mapping as he writes, "It is a supernatural vision that shows us the enemy's lines, location, numbers, weapons and above all, how the enemy can be defeated." Claim in the name of the Lord God the defeat of the enemy and victory of Jesus for the benefits of all peoples in the target communities and for the glory of God in Christ Jesus. *Birthday:* Kolade Alli

### **TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 1**

Rev. Dr. Festus Akinola is the chairperson of the Advisory Committee of International Frontier Ministry. Pray for God's protection upon his life, ask God to grant him and other members of the committee insight and divine revelation that will help them to take the right decisions that will advance the course of the Kingdom through the ministry. Ask for divine provision and sound health for them.

#### WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 2

## United Arab Emirates (UAE)

Oil wealth transformed much of the United Arab Emirates (UAE) from a poor, rural region to a haven and playground for the world's ultra-rich country. It has become a choice place of business and finance, as well as tourism. While those at the top live with incredible wealth, millions of migrant labourers often work in terrible conditions of very low income. Injustice, human rights violations, and human trafficking are significant challenges. Islam is the State religion, with a Sunni majority and a Shi'a minority. Of the 43 people groups in the United Arab Emirates, 25 remain unreached by the Gospel, and many of them are indigenous and illiterate. The number of people coming to Christ from other ethnic backgrounds, such as South and East Asians, is rising. However, sharing the Gospel with Emiratis is illegal, and those who do can be arrested, imprisoned, and deported. Medical ministries have been serving in this nation for decades and have consistently provided healing for both physical and spiritual needs. An estimated 8% of the population are followers of Jesus. Pray for the nullification of laws banning people from sharing their faith. Pray for discernment among Christians seeking to discreetly share the Gospel. Pray for more discipleship training for Christian expatriates working in the Emirates.

Wedding Anniversary: Mr. & Mrs. Akinremi

## THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 3

Thank God for His abiding presence over the Missionary's family in Cote d'Ivoire International Mission Field, Rev. & Mrs. Joel Awolola, in the last two years of their working in Cote d'Ivoire Mission Field. Ask God for continued outpouring of the Holy Spirit upon them and the Mission Pastors working on the field. Intercede for the Mission Pastors and their families, that God should provide helpers for them to help cushion the effect of the high cost of living.

## FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 4

Pray for the student- Pastors that the missionary is teaching, that God should help them to be able to assimilate well what they are being taught. Pray that all that they are learning will be used for the propagation of the Gospel in their land. Also, pray for provision for them, that God will meet all their needs during this period of their training. Pray for their instructors, that God grant them wisdom, knowledge and understanding to be able to teach the students aright.



As Muslims observe their Jumaat prayer today, pray that they will experience the true God and turn to serve our Lord Jesus Christ.

Birthday: Kolawole Awonugba, Victoria Matthew

### SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 5

Pray that our God of missions will raise more support (human, financial and material) for the Missionaries and their team in Cote d'Ivoire, to meet the various needs on the field. Pray for God's blessings upon those that have supported the field, that the lord will enlarge their coast and bless the works of their hand.

Birthday: Awofuye Rose Ogechi

#### PEOPLE GROUP OF THE WEEK

Sanga/Asanga people group speak Sanga language and they are from Bauchi and Plateau States. The 33,000 people are predominantly traditional believers although the Gospel has been introduced to them. Let us pray for these people that the Lord will raise more believers in their midst. Let us also pray that the mission work that is being done in their midst will be enhanced by the translation of the Scriptures into their language in no time. Let us pray for the mission organizations, Churches, Christian groups and individuals working with these people to see to the propagation of the Gospel in their midst that God will strengthen them in Jesus name.

## **SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 6**

Rev. and Mrs. Orogun are our Contact Persons in Isoko Home Mission field of Delta State. Pray that their work among the Isoko people will yield much fruits that will abide. Pray that God will bless the works of their hands and establish the Churches for greater exploits in Jesus name.

Birthday: Amadi Clement Chigozi

#### MONDAY, NOVEMBER 7

Thank God for the grace of publishing a new French book by our Missionary, Rev. Joel Awolola. One thousand (1000) copies went to all our mission fields, where French language is spoken. The book is a collection of Bible studies. Pray that as people go through the book, it will minister to them and edify the body of Christ. Pray for God's blessings on his family.

## **TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 8**

Bless the name of the Lord for His loving kindness, faithfulness and protection upon the lives of our Missionary couple, Pastor & Mrs. Peter Adebayo Isaac in Republic of Niger. Pray for divine protection and sound health for them. Also, pray for their children that the Lord will shield and guard them against all forms of attacks and evil. Ask God to grant them wisdom, knowledge and understanding to excel in their academics.

Birthday: Akinremi Ayobami, Grace Oyemike

Wedding Anniversary: Mr. & Mrs. Akindele Akinsanmi

## WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 9

Due to the massive expatriate influence in Oman, people are free to practice varying faiths, and the Government has even given land for places of worship. But, it remains illegal to share the Gospel with Muslims. Islam remains the State religion, claiming roughly 89% of the population. The nearly 3% that claim Christianity are predominantly part of the expatriate community. Praise God that Oman enjoys an open and modern society compared to others in the region. Wealth from the oil industry allowed a greater level of education and economic balance. Pray now for spiritual openness to the Gospel among all peoples of Oman. Pray for a wide open door to the Gospel that would spread to neighboring closed nations. Pray for the Gospel to infiltrate Omani culture, reaching the many who are still unreached. Pray for opportunities and courage for Muslims to become disciples of Jesus Christ.

## **THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 10**

Pray for Niger Republic field, that the Lord should destroy the barriers of Islam, syncretism, nominalism and other spiritual stronghold of the devil that are causing great threats to the Gospel in the land. Pray that the Lord will open the hearts of the people to respond positively to the Gospel. Ask God to send more labourers into the field to work among these less reached and unreached groups in Niger Republic. WORLD DAY FOR PEACE AND DEVELOPMENT. Pray for true peace in every warring countries. Pray for lasting tranquillity and development in Afghanistan and other nations in 10/40 windows.

## FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 11

Commit the Nation – Niger Republic into God's hands. Ask God to raise people like Joseph and Daniel in the land, who have the spirit of excellence in them, so that they will be able to direct the affairs of the nation in the land. Also pray, that God will give the few national believers boldness to share Christ with their friends, neighbors and families.



As our Muslim brothers and Sisters observe their Jumaat service today, ask God to make them to hunger and thirst for the true way consequently making them to seek for the reality of God found in the Gospel of Christ.

Birthday: Oluwasemiloore Ayokunle, Boniface Ishaya

### **SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 12**

Pray that the animistic beliefs and the wisdom of Islam will look foolish to the people when the Gospel is presented. Pray that those who hear the Gospel and see the truth of the Gospel will have the boldness to come out of Islam and accept Jesus Christ into their lives. Ask God to grant the national believers in Niger Republic grace to pray ceaselessly, study the Bible and to be able to stand firm in the face of persecution.

Birthday: Kayode Samuel

### PEOPLE GROUP OF THE WEEK

Let us together pray for Teme people group who reside in mayo Balewa Local Government of Adamawa State. They are African traditional religionists who have been sensitized with the Gospel of Christ. They are about 5,600 people who have no access to the Bible in their language. Let us ask that God will make the translation of the Bible into Teme language possible and fast so that these people will have access to the Bible in their Language. Let us as well pray for the land in which the Teme people reside that the Lord will occupy this land for His glory. Let us pray that the people will experience and respond positively to the love of the Prince of Peace, the Lord and Saviuor Jesus Christ.

## **SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 13**

Thank God for the privilege our Missionary in Republic of Niger has in partnership with Salam Allah Radio Ministry to preach the Gospel in Zabarma language on radio. The programme is tagged "Yesu Almasihu", which covers three towns, Gaya in Niger Republic, Kamba in Nigeria and Malanville in Benin Republic. Pray that through this platform many lives will be won to the Lord. Also thank God for the foundation laying of the ICT Center, Baptist Union Secretariat, the Mission House and the Guest House by Lighthouse Baptist Church, Ibadan. Pray for provisions for these projects and that it will not be abandoned but that it will receive divine backing from the Lord.

## **MONDAY, NOVEMBER 14**

Give all glory and adoration to God Almighty for His love, faithfulness, mercies and protection upon the lives of our Missionary couple to Chad, Rev. & Pastor (Mrs.) Peter Saba. Thank God for their lives and that of their children. Jabez prayed to the God of Israel "Please bless me, and enlarge my territory...." Ask the Lord to bless the Sabas and help them to possess more territories in Chad. Pray that the Lord will be with them and keep them from anything evil that might cause them pain.

Wedding Anniversary: Mr. & Mrs. Akintola

### **TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 15**

Thank God for the first Church (Eglise Baptiste De La Foi Habbena, Ndjamena) planted by the ministry of the Sabas in Chad. By the grace of God the Church has given birth to four other preaching stations. Pray that these Churches will continue to grow and increase in every ramification: numerically, spiritually and financially. Also, pray for the leaders of these Churches: Pastor Toksouma Alafan, Dn. Philemon Ponga, Pastor Gilbert Amiseme and Mr. Joshua Solomon. Ask the Lord to empower them and bless their efforts.

WORLD DAY FOR REMEMBRANCE FOR ROAD TRAFFIC VICTIMS. Pray for safety on the road, especially for itinerant missionaries and mission pastors on the field. Pray against any form of auto crash. Pray for every Church that will visit mission field to enjoy divine safety.

#### WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 16

#### Yemen

Over 80% of the population is in need of humanitarian assistance - half of them are children. Yemen's famine crisis is one of the worst on the planet. With only 51% of hospitals functional, medications in short supply, and little or no clean water, diseases that should be preventable have claimed thousands of lives. The world's largest cholera outbreak – with around 1 million cases – continues to ravage the population. Yemen has suffered in recent decades from 3 civil wars, tribal conflicts, and war in nearby Countries. Currently Yemen is divided between moderate Shi'a Houthi rebels and Sunni forces supporting the ousted President. Radical Islamist groups like Al Qaeda and ISIS have seized on the chaos to take control of other areas. Many civilians have died in bombings, including people in Schools, hospitals, and prisons. Pray for the longawaited peace, stability, and revitalization of Yemen. Pray for God's mercy, comfort, and provision for the hungry, sick, poor, and exploited. Pray for every Yemeni to have the opportunity to hear the Gospel of Hope.

**INTERNATIONAL DAY FOR TOLERANCE.** Pray for the spirit of tolerance among tribes, ethnic and nations of the world. Pray for every believer to tolerate the unbelievers on daily basis so that Gospel will prevail.

Wedding Anniversary: Rev. & Mrs. Awolola

## **THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 17**

Pray for the issuance of the C of O for the four (4) plots of land that was purchased in Chad by GMB since the year 2018. Pray for the intervention of God so that the certificate of occupancy will be issued. Pray for provision for the construction of a Mega Church on the land, which is ongoing.

Birthday: Barnabas Ajibade

Wedding Anniversary: Mr. & Mrs. Abegunde

#### FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 18

Thank God for His sustaining grace upon the lives of Rev. & Pastor Mrs. Kolade Ojo, our Missionary couple in Benin Republic. Pray that the Lord will guide them continually and satisfy them with His abundant riches. Pray that the Lord will strengthen and empower them for greater exploits on the field. Ask God to grant them insight and passion for holistic mission, that will bring about kingdom transformation on the field.



Today is Friday. As our Muslim brothers and sisters observe their Jumaat prayers today, pray that many of them will encounter the Lord and become His disciple.

Birthday: Ayanlere Olatunde Joseph

## **SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 19**

Thank God for our mission Pastors and their families in Benin Republic. Ask God to fill them with His Spirit so as to guide them in doing the will of God. Ask for the outpouring of the Holy Spirit upon them and their members for fruitful service. Ask God to destroy the barrier of religiosity, division, witchcraft and other strongholds of the devil hindering the spread of the Gospel in the land.

#### PEOPLE GROUP OF THE WEEK

The *Tha* people group of Taraba State resides in Lau Local Government Area of the State. They are about 1700 people who are predominantly African Traditional

Religionists. The *Tha* speaking people have been introduced to Jesus Christ but they do not have a Bible in their language yet. Let us pray for these people that the Gospel that has been introduced to them will make a positive change in their lives. Let us pray that the few coverts in their midst will be empowered and made bold to reach out to others with the peace of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. Let us pray also that resources, wisdom, enablement and manpower needed for the translation of the Bible into *Tha* language be made available to them in no distant time.

### **SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 20**

Pray for more open doors of ministry in Benin Republic, boldness and utterance to faithfully speak God's word and positive response from the people. Ask God to open the heart of the people of the land to respond positively to the Gospel message. Pray that new members will be added to the Churches and those ones in the Churches will be established in faith. Also, pray for provision for all the mission Pastors, that the Lord will meet them at the point of their need.

**Birthday:** Adewumi Adegoke, Miracle O. Orogun, Oluwadarasimi Alade

Wedding Anniversary: Pastor & Mrs. Ayanlere

## **MONDAY, NOVEMBER 21**

Thank God for all our mission partners, ask God to continue to bless them and expand their coast. Pray that the Lord will raise more mission partners and kingdom investors who will partner with our Missionaries on the International fields. Pray that God will provide financial resources to complete all abandoned and ongoing projects on our various fields.

Birthday: Olumide Elizabeth Olawale

#### **TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 22**

Thank God for His divine security and protection over our Missionary couple in Benin Republic including all the mission Pastors and their family members. Ask God to keep them from every form of sicknesses and diseases and for the Covid-19 pandemic. Pray that God's grace will continue to be multiplied unto them and that His grace will shield and defend them from every assault of the devil. Ask God to frustrate every attack against their lives and families.

Birthday: Ajala Adekunle, Oludare Bola Israel

## **WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 23**

## **Niger Republic**

Niger Republic is One of the poorest Countries in the world. The agricultural economy is frequently destroyed by drought, making it insufficient to support the growing population. Slavery is still practiced in isolated areas of the COUNTRY. Nigerian children are trafficked for labour in gold mines, sexual exploitation, and begging. Women are abducted and sold into domestic servitude or prostitution, and young boys are kidnapped for work in stone quarries. A land dispute between Libya remains unresolved and often triggers acts of violence. Christianity grows, but people come into the Kingdom by a drop. Pray for the drop to become a flood. Pressure to stay in Islam, or return to it, prevents many from following Christ. New believers feel isolated. Pray for groups to form, even if small, for those who need fellowship with other believers. Pray for those from Muslim backgrounds who have chosen to follow Jesus. May they persevere and remain faithful amidst all the difficulties they are encountering.

## **THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 24**

Bless the name of the Lord for Rev'd & Mrs. Ladi Fanta Oyelude, our Supervising Missionary couple to Mali. Ask God to continue to protect and shield them from every form of evil. Pray for rapid impact of the Gospel message among the people and the pupils in the mission Schools. Pray that their mission efforts will continue to yield lasting fruits in that land. Pray for the Missionary that as he will soon retire from active ministry work, his strength will not wane.

Birthday: Rev. & Pastor Mrs. Okunlola

### FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 25

Bless the name of the Lord for Brother& Mrs. Jacob Rachel Adeniji, our Supervising Missionaries in Burkina Faso. Pray for God's guidance and protection for the Missionaries and their children. Ask the Lord to keep them focused and grant them the grace to be persistent as they labour in God's vineyard. Pray for bountiful harvest of souls into God's Kingdom.



As our Muslim brothers and sisters observe their Jumaat service today, pray that Christ will be revealed to them as the way, the truth and the life as they religiously seek for God.

Birthday: Opeyemi Ayo Ajani

## **SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 26**

Thank God for the lives of all the Mission Pastors and other workers with their wives and children serving along with the Missionary family in Mali. Ask the Lord to uphold them, grant them sound health and keep them steadfast in faith. Pray that God will continue to prosper the work in their hands. Pray that God will deliver them from every evil work and evil men that may lie in wait to

undo them. Also, ask the Lord to supply all their needs according to His riches in glory by Christ Jesus.

**Birthday:** Makinde Emmanuel Ayobami, Aderibigbe Adeseun

#### PEOPLE GROUP OF THE WEEK

Tiba people group are situated in Ganye Local Government Area of Adamawa State. They speak Gaa and they are about 19,000 people who are majorly African Traditional Worshipers. Although these people have been engaged, they don't have the Bible in their language yet. Let us pray that God will make the Gospel of Christ readily available to Tiba people in the midst of the troubles around them. Let us pray that the Prince of peace will visit them in such a way that they will never forget. Let us also pray that they will gain access to the Bible in their language in such a time as this, so that they will get to know God for themselves.

### **SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 27**

Pray for the expansion of God's Kingdom in all our International Mission Fields. Pray for genuine Christian love, unity and cooperation among believers on the fields. Pull down every stronghold inhibiting the salvation of most Muslims on our fields. Pray that their eyes of understanding might be opened to the truth of the Gospel, and that there will be a rapid impact of the Gospel message resulting in massive salvation. Pray for peaceful and permanent resolution of the lingering crisis in the Northern part of most Countries where we are working. Pray for the peace of God to reign in all Countries where Missionaries are faithfully laboring.

Birthday: Rose Ekaete Ekpenyong

Wedding Anniversary: Rev. & Pastor Mrs. Ojo

## **MONDAY, NOVEMBER 28**

Pray for the Missionaries in Burkina Faso, that the Lord will grant them the needed wisdom they need in handling the issues of trafficking and ministering to ladies in prostitution. Pray for these ladies, that the Lord will minister to them and convict them of their sinful way. Pray for their salvation, that they will accept Jesus as their Lord and personal Saviuor.

## **TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 29**

Bless the name of the Lord for the lives of the Supervising Missionary couple in Togo, Rev. & Rev (Mrs.) Bisi Bose Okunlola. Pray that they will continue to be committed towards the continuity, consolidation and expansion of the mission work in Togo. Pray for divine protection and sound health for them. Pray for their children that the Lord will shield and guard them against all forms of attacks, dangers and evils. Ask God to grant them wisdom to excel in every area of their lives.

Birthday: Rev. Akinola (Board Member)

## WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 30

The landlocked African nation of Chad has more than 200 ethnic groups and 120 different languages and dialects. The north is dominated by the Sahara and occupied by Muslims, while the south is lush, tropical, and mainly occupied by Christians and animists. The nation has been ripped apart by civil war, and 80% of the population lives below the poverty line. Medical care and services are greatly lacking in this Central African nation, and with the prevalence of HIV/AIDS, the Republic of Chad has the fifth highest death rate in the world. Many Muslims have heard the Good News. New groups of believers from Muslim backgrounds have emerged. Bible storytelling and Chadian Arabic Christian radio help spread the Gospel in culturally relevant ways. Pray that Christians will learn to reach out to the Muslims around them. Pray for the Church to be both burdened and equipped for evangelism among an increasing Muslim majority. Pray for pioneer Missionaries to persevere in difficult places in order to reach the unreached.

Birthday: Pastor Miss Grace Olabivi

#### THURSDAY, DECEMBER 1

Pray for the field of Togo, that God should stand against the barriers of syncretism, nominalism, individualism, division, traditionalism, Islam and other spiritual stronghold of the devil that are causing great threats to the Gospel. Pray that the Lord will open the hearts of the people to respond positively to the Gospel. Also, pray that God will open more doors of ministry in the land. Ask God to send more laborers into the field to work among these less reached and unreached people groups of Togo Republic.

## FRIDAY, DECEMBER 2

Thank God for the mission effort of GMB in South Sudan. Pray for financial provision for GMB to send a Supervising Missionary to South Sudan. Pray for Victory Baptist Church, Ajah, Lagos, for the mission work they have embarked upon in South Sudan. Ask the Lord to keep upholding the work they are doing in that Country. Pray that the Church planted in the Country will continue to experience spiritual, numerical and financial growth. Pray for the Pastor of the Church, that the Lord will strengthen his hands and grant him wisdom and insight needed to grow the Church. Pray for God's provision and safety for him and his family members.



Ask God to reveal His love to the inner heart of every Muslim as they observe their Jumaat prayer today. Ask that they will respond positively to God's Love.

Birthday: Opayinka Moses Inioluwa

Wedding Anniversary: Bro. & Sis Adeniji, Rev. & Mrs.

Matthew John

#### SATURDAY, DECEMBER 3

Rev. & Mrs. Tunde Jenfa are our missionary couple in London, United Kingdom. Pray that the Lord will empower, strengthen and uphold them. Pray for their children, that it shall be well with them in every ramification. Pray that the word of God shall have a free flow in that land. Pray that every of their efforts in that land will not be in vain. Also, pray that the lord will continue to grant them sound health.

Birthday: Oluwafemi Adegoke

Wedding Anniversary: Rev. Dr. & Rev. Prof. Mrs.

Ayandokun

### PEOPLE GROUP OF THE WEEK

Zarma people group, otherwise known as Dgerma people group of Kamba, Argungu and Birnin Kebbi Local Government Areas of Kebbi and Niger States of Nigeria. They are about 143, 000 people who have been engaged although they are predominantly Muslims. The whole Bible has been translated into their language. Let us pray that God will use the Bible in their language to reach them the more. Let us ask that God will help the people working in their midst to come up with more strategies that will further enhance the propagation of

the Gospel in the midst of the Zarma people.

### **SUNDAY, DECEMBER 4**

Bless the name of the Lord for the life of Pastor Thomas Tarawaille, who is the Pastor of the model Church planted by GMB in Freetown, Sierra Leone. Pray that this Church will continue to grow and increase in every ramification: numerically, spiritually and financially. Ask the Lord to empower him and his efforts.

Birthday: Popoola Olawuyi Samuel

## **MONDAY, DECEMBER 5**

Thank God for the life of the ministerial officer, Frontier Ministerial International, Rev. (Mrs.) Ariteshoma Ijaola and her family. Ask God to endow her with divine wisdom, knowledge and understanding as she does her work. Ask the Lord to strengthen her and shield her from every forms of attack.

# **TUESDAY, DECEMBER 6**

Thank God for the different works ongoing in various parts of the Guffanti Home Missions field. These include: Church buildings, Schools and Pastorium, Pray that all these projects will be completed and used for the glory of God in the lives of the people being targeted for salvation. Ask God to help us not to make these building projects the priority, but that the souls that are intended to be reached would not be missed out in Jesus Name

Wedding Anniversary: Rev. & Mrs. Makinde

# WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 7

## Bangladesh

Bangladesh declared Islam her State religion in 1988. Today 89% of the population is Muslim. The religious freedom guaranteed by the Constitution is beginning to erode. Political parties are split along religious lines and often give in to Islamic and tribal pressures to imprison and confiscate the properties of those who do not conform to local religious or ethnic practices. The Christian population (1%) experiences bouts of persecution and oppression, and Missionaries are prohibited from traveling freely. However, with so many environmental, social justice, and humanitarian needs, many Bangladeshi Churches have practically shown the love of Christ through relief work. God has used their efforts to grow His Church, especially among low caste Hindus and formerly unreached people groups. Pray for long-term transformation in the tragic battle against extreme poverty. Pray for an outpouring of servants willing to reach out to Bengali Muslims in the name of Christ. Pray for God to raise up spiritually mature leaders in the Church who are committed to authentic discipleship.

### THURSDAY, DECEMBER 8

Pray for revival in all of the Churches in Guffanti Home Mission field. Some of these Churches have been organized while others are still waiting to meet the requirements for organization. Pray the there will be love and good working relationships between these Churches, whether organized or not. Entreat God on behalf of the Churches, the Pastors and the believers on the field that they will be the light, shining the love of Jesus Christ to their unbelieving neighbors in all areas of life.

### FRIDAY, DECEMBER 9

Around the Guffanti Home Missions' Field are different people groups that need the Savior. The Laru people group need the touch of the Saviuor. Pray that the Lord

will touch the lost so they can come to salvation through Jesus Christ. The Boko people have a few converts to Christianity amongst them. Pray for these few Christians. Ask that they be grounded in faith and grow in all Godly ways in Jesus Name. Also entreat God on behalf of the other mission agencies working among these people groups that they will not be tired at the slow response of these people groups to the message of the Gospel.



Pray that the hands of the Lord that will lead to salvation will be on the leaders and teachers of the Islamic religion as they gather for Jumaat prayer today. Pray that they will see vision of Christ who died for them and that they will respond positively to the Love of God through Jesus Christ.

Birthday: Isaac AdeOluwa Goodness

### **SATURDAY, DECEMBER 10**

Pray for more open doors for ministry among the other tribes in the Guffanti area. Ask God to strengthen the faith of the Kamberi Christians in the face of injustices against them and several persecutions they encounter from time to time because of their confession of faith as Christians. Pray that these Christians will not deny Christ because of position or money. Ask God to help them to live the words they say, so that they are not trapped by double standard living or words.

Wedding Anniversary: Mr. & Mrs. Asuai

### PEOPLE GROUP OF THE WEEK

In Nigeria, we have the **Shanga people group** situated in Shanga Local Government area of Kebbi State. They are majorly Muslims and they speak Shanga language.

They are about 127, 142 people who have been engaged but they do not have the Bible translated in their language. Let us pray for these people that they will be duly remembered for mission exploits by more mission organizations and mission minded individuals. Let us also pray that as these mission agencies work in their midst, they will reap more souls for the kingdom of God in Jesus name. Let us pray that God will speed up the translation of the Bible into their language so that the shanga people will have access to the Bible in their language.

### **SUNDAY, DECEMBER 11**

This month of December, missionaries around the world are sharing about Christ's birth through Carols, parties, Gospel tracts, skits and more. For some people, it will be the first time they ever hear that God sent his Son to save humanity. Pray for a divine encounter that will result into salvation of this individual. Ask God for revival in the life of Christians including Spiritual awakening among Christians.

### **MONDAY, DECEMBER 12**

Thank the Lord for our past leaders both in the Convention and the Global Missions Board. The Board has metamorphosed through many stages of development since it was launched in 1953 at the annual Convention held in Jos. Thank God for the sacrifices of our past leaders and praise God for the souls that were won through the efforts on the fields. Pray for the current set of leaders; the Board led by the Chairman, the Director and the different ministry heads. Ask that God will make them more fruitful than all their predecessors. Pray that they will enjoy unity of purpose to the glory of the Lord.

Oketola Jesuseun Christianah, Micheal Birthday: Jibril Dogo

### **TUESDAY, DECEMBER 13**

Few of our mission fields have been on for very long periods, with very little physical gains to show for the long periods of engagement. Entreat God to break the hold of the Devil on such places that have been very resistant to the Gospel. These places have not yielded much fruits yet so much labor has been put in and so much money expended. Pray that new workable and result oriented strategies will be given to the Missionaries in such places so they can have a turnaround in the situation on the fields.

Birthday: Akinremi Samuel, Mr. Evans Doibo (Board Member)

### **WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 14**

### Afghanistan

The Afghan people have suffered greatly from over thirty years of conflict both from internal factions and external groups. A devastating civil war, followed by the oppressive rule of the Taliban, an extremist Islamic group, has created a society where over half the population has known nothing but war. One of the least reached nations on earth, Afghanistan is 99.9% Muslim with 72 unreached people groups. There are roughly 48,000 mosques and zero Church buildings. Afghanistan is one of the world's most persecuted nations, where any belief contrary to Islam is illegal. Converting from Islam to Christianity can result in death, and believers gather and worship in secret. Violence by extremists has caused many Muslims to question their faith. Though impossible to document, it is undeniable that the Church is growing, and Muslims

are turning to Christ. Pray for appropriate and expedient solutions to ongoing threats of violence. Pray for Afghans who are seeking the truth to boldly embrace a new identity in Christ. Pray for protection over Afghan believers and perseverance despite suffering.

Birthday: Solomon Adewumi, Adelokoji Ijaola

### **THURSDAY, DECEMBER 15**

The Convention started the Home and Foreign Missions Board in 1953 at the annual session in Jos. In 1998 in the same Jos, the Convention at her annual session reconstituted the Missions organization into the Global Missions Board, to serve as the Mission agency of the Nigerian Baptist Convention. The Board was given a quasi-autonomy, with some level of supervision from the leadership of the Convention. Pray that the vision that God gave our forefathers will not be neglected or abandoned. Ask that new fields will be opened and more lands reached for the Lord. Pray that the older fields will grow in strength and number, so they can stand on their own.

Birthday: Victor Olanrewaju, Dn. R. E. Okosun (Board Member)

### FRIDAY, DECEMBER 16

When the Global Missions Board was reconstituted in 1998, it was given some additional tasks. These includes: To awaken Baptist family members to their responsibility of spreading the Gospel message beyond Nigeria. This has led to the opening of some more International fields. The latest is the Niger International field. Pray that all that is required to accomplish this mandate – the wisdom, the manpower, the finances and other supplies will be made readily available.



Pray that God's revelation which leads to salvation will be the portion of our Muslim brothers and sisters today as they observe their Jumaat service.

Birthday: Mercy Orogun

### SATURDAY, DECEMBER 17

Another assignment given to the Global Missions Board after its reconstitution is to recommend ways and means of financing the Missions enterprise of the Convention under God. The work is God's assignment given to us and we believe He will provide the resources needed for the task. Pray that people will be willing to join God in what He is doing on our various fields, thereby giving for the work of the Lord. Pray that God will bless those who are regular givers for the work of ministry. Ask God to replenish their sources.

### PEOPLE GROUP OF THE WEEK

Ganjuwa and Ningi Local Government areas of Bauchi State harbor the **Siri people group** who are also known as the Sirawa people group. They are about 5, 500 people who are predominantly Muslims. They have been engaged but they do not have the Scripture in their language up till now. Let us pray for the Siri people that God will liberate them. Let us commit their hearts into the hands of God that as the seed of the Gospel is dropped on their hearts, it will germinate, grow well and bring forth beautiful fruits for God's kingdom. Let us also pray for the Siri people that the Lord will hasten the translation of the Bible into their language in no time.

### **SUNDAY, DECEMBER 18**

In this festive period, some Churches like to celebrate their Christmas on the field. Let us pray for these Churches that as they share the love of Christ with the unbelievers, they will make them know that Christ was born to set the world free. Pray that souls will be won through sharing of the Gospel of Christ in gifts, Jesus films, expression of love materials sharing of food stuffs, etc. May God watch over His children and keep them safe while ministering to others.

Birthday: Oketola Jesufemi Emmanuel

### **MONDAY, DECEMBER 19**

During Christmas, children ministers and teachers make many efforts to make the birth of Jesus real to children. Some of these efforts include Bible stories, drama, illustrative pictures and diagram, films and Bible story clips. Pray that the Holy Spirit will use these medium to save these children. Ask for God's protection on our children as they go about celebrating the birth of Jesus.

Wedding Anniversary: Rev. & Mrs. Noah Adedokun

### **TUESDAY, DECEMBER 20**

The monthly №10 per person scheme has been used of God to meet some strategic needs on some of our fields. This scheme is intended to help make more funds available for mission work. Though №10 seems like nothing, if we all join hands to give, it becomes millions of Naira. Thank God for those who have faithfully given into this scheme over the years. Pray that God will bless them. Pray for those who even give more, that they will not lose their rewards. Pray that more Pastors will embrace the scheme and mobilize their Churches to be involved in it. Pray that the scheme will achieve the purpose for which it was instituted.

Wedding Anniversary: Rev. & Mrs. Ajibade

### WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 21

### Azerbaijan

Located between Russia, Iran, and Armenia, Azerbaijan is the largest nation in the Caucasus region and home to diverse landscapes, from vast mountain ridges to plains and lowlands. Over 86 percent of the nation's nine million citizens are practicing Muslims. While the Azeri constitution grants everyone the freedom to worship, religious institutions are still required to register with the Azeri Government in order to congregate, and religious literature must be approved before publishing. Foreigners are also legally prohibited from evangelizing, making cross-cultural missions more challenging. These strict regulations cause many Churches to both meet and minister in secret. Inspite of these challenges, the Christian Church is beginning to flourish as the number of Churches emerging in Azerbaijan increases every year. Pray for God's love to be proclaimed in the dozens of towns and villages which have never heard the Gospel. Pray for enduring solutions to conflicts with Armenia and Russia

Birthday: Kolade Kalebu Jesufemi

### **THURSDAY, DECEMBER 22**

Recruitment of volunteer mission workers in cooperation with the Ministerial Board is also a part of the responsibilities of the Global Missions Board. This arrangement has helped to raise volunteer workers, especially retired people and some others who use their leave periods to meet various needs on the fields. Pray that more people will key into this scheme and join those who are already on the fields to bring the Gospel message to those who are yet to hear by using the tools God has given to them.

Birthday: Bisi Okunlola

Wedding Anniversary: Mr. & Mrs. Kolade Oluwole

### FRIDAY, DECEMBER 23

### Turkmenistan

With rich deposits of oil and gas, Turkmenistan has discovered great wealth even within the desert. Although the constitution claims religious freedom, the reality is quite different. With Sunni Islam (89%) and Russian Orthodoxy (9%) considered the only two legal religions, persecution of other faiths is prevalent. Unregistered religious gatherings are forbidden, often suffering grave consequences. But persecution and restriction have only strengthened the Turkmen Church. Prior to independence, Christianity was mostly nonexistent, but today there are as many as 1,000 followers of Jesus. With all foreign Missionaries expelled, several Pastors exiled, beaten, or imprisoned, and the Bible not yet fully translated, the spread of the Gospel in Turkmenistan faces great challenges. Yet, the Church continues to grow amid constant threats. Pray for new Bibles for house Churches whose literature has been confiscated and destroyed. Pray for open doors for humanitarian organizations to meet practical as well as spiritual needs. Pray for governing authorities to abandon the strict policies controlling religious activity.



As Muslims meet today for Jumaat prayer, pray that the veil of Islam will fall down from their eyes, consequently leading them to salvation through Jesus Christ.

### **SATURDAY, DECEMBER 24 CHRISTMAS EVE DAY**

Thank God for the successes recorded by the Volunteer

Missions Scheme of the GMB over the years. Thank God for the people who were involved in the past years, especially in the area of education. Pray that those children and adults that were taught will remain grounded in the Lord as they remember all they were taught. Pray for the volunteers who worked tirelessly to make sure that these set of people receive the blessings of the Lord. Ask that God would richly bless them.

Birthday: Emmanuel Peter Saba, Jimoh Asuai

### **SUNDAY, DECEMBER 25**

### **CHRISTMAS DAY**

Thank God for the gift of Jesus Christ. Ask God to help us to know the right reason for the season – Jesus Christ! Pray against the craze for material things that can take our attention away from the real reason for Christmas. Pray that all the evil people get themselves into all in the name of celebrating the season will not get the hearts of our children, youth and even adults this period. Pray For those who are groping about in the darkness of this world. Ask God to use us to bring them to His life on this joyous day that we are celebrating the birth of Jesus The Christ!

### MONDAY, DECEMBER 26 - BOXING DAY

Happy Boxing Day! Though not a well-known or understood day by many people in our societies. The day is meant to serve as the day to open gifts received during the Christmas celebrations. Pray that this Christmas season and Boxing Day, we shall not just be willing to receive gifts from people but that we shall be givers, firstly, of ourselves to the service of God and humanity, then of our substances for His glory. Pray that all evil plans to disrupt the peace of the season will be truncated by the Lord.

Wedding Anniversary: Rev. & Mrs. Akintayo

### **TUESDAY, DECEMBER 27**

Thank God for the work of the Schools of Missions all around the Country. Pray that God will raise more Missions supporters that will join hands to start a Missions School in Okuta area where there is a pressing need to raise leaders for the existing Churches. Entreat God on behalf of this field that the work already started will not suffer any setback. A synergy between the Nigerian Baptist Seminary, Ogbomoso, Emmanuel Baptist Church Ilorin and the Global Missions Board in the School of Missions and Theology, Guffanti, Niger State, has yielded good fruits. We pray for more Churches to join hands to replicate what was done in Guffanti in Okuta, thereby meeting the needs in Okuta Home Mission Field and the neighboring towns up to Benin Republic (as Okuta Mission Field in Kwara State extends to the border of Nigeria with Benin Republic).

Wedding Anniversary: Rev. & Mrs. Opayinka

### **WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 28**

Pakistan is a complex blend of old and new. Ancient Islamic influences predate the Country itself. It is home to Taxila, one of the oldest Universities in the world. Over 95% Muslim, with a Sunni majority, Pakistan is the third largest Islamic nation - and the center of the unevangelized world. Despite constitutional guarantees of religious freedom, this is one of the world's most persecuted nations. Though it is less than 2% of the population, Christianity is the second largest religion. Bible translation remains very difficult, and only a few of the seventy languages have a completed New Testament. With much of the Country controlled by Islamic fanaticism, believers face extreme persecution

and are often among the poorest. Yet, in the face of conflict and despair, prayer movements are rising up, and Muslims are increasingly coming to Christ. Pray for the spiritually oppressed in remote areas to encounter the Gospel. Pray for the Church to multiply in the power of the Spirit as persecution intensifies. Pray for the strongholds of Islamist extremism and terrorism to be demolished and rendered powerless.

**Birthday:** Isaac Temilola Florence, Mrs. Hajaratu D. Arak (Board Member)

### **THURSDAY, DECEMBER 29**

Exalt the name of the Lord who is at work on our various Mission Fields. Bless Him for all He did in the lives of, and through every Missionary. Pray that the name of the Lord will be exalted and worshipped in every region and every people group of our various fields.

Birthday: Oketola Jesutomi David

### FRIDAY, DECEMBER 30

### **Tajikistan**

Magnificent in its rugged beauty, Tajikistan is an oftenoverlooked gem due to its remote and challenging terrain. Fear of radical Islam has led to many religious restrictions. Preaching, distribution of religious materials, and registration of Churches is very difficult, if not illegal. With over 93% claiming Islam, few have had the opportunity to hear the Gospel (61.7% unreached). Despite these setbacks, a Tajik Church is rising, with roughly 1,000 believers. The Bible has been translated into Tajik, and the JESUS film is available in most local languages. Economic hardship has led many to look for religious answers, providing greater opportunities for the Gospel. Pray for many who are still

impoverished from civil war. Pray for Muslims to meet Christ in miraculous dreams and visions. Pray for protected growth of the infant indigenous Tajik Church.



Today is the last Friday in the year 2022, let us thank God for all the Muslim souls that have been worn this year. Let us trust God to win more today.

Birthday: Kolade Ibunkun Opeyemi, Ezekiel Emmanuel

Wedding Anniversary: Mr. & Mrs. Olawale Oyeyemi

### **SATURDAY, DECEMBER 31**

From the rising of the sun to the place where it sets, the name of the Lord be praised. Praise God for how far He has led us this year. God has been tremendously good to Global Missions Board, and the entire Nigerian Baptist Convention family. Worship Him for His faithfulness, loving kindness, mercy and compassion, from January to this point. Thank God for all the Mission efforts of Global Missions Board, and for all the souls He has saved into His Kingdom. Pray that these souls shall be established forever in His kingdom.

Birthday: Olaniran Paul

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2.	Sponsor a Project { }
3.	Be a Self Supporting Missionary { }
4.	Be a Volunteer Mobilizer for GMB { }
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a.	Professional { }
b.	Student { }
c.	Individual { }
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b.	Pastors { }

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