



CHRISTIAN SOLIDARITY WORLDWIDE USA

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PRAYER CALENDAR December 2018

December 1: Please pray for Vietnam. Local officials are determined to stop the spread of Christianity in parts of Vietnam. Pray for safety of Christians living in daily fear and intimidation.

December 2: Pray officials in Vietnamese government would respect and uphold religious freedom. Open the hearts and minds of those in authority to the injustices taking place.

December 3: The Vietnamese government continues to treat human rights defenders very harshly. They are detained, harassed and beaten for exposing repeated violations of freedom of religion or belief. Pray for human rights defenders in Vietnam.

December 4: Six Vietnamese human rights defenders were recently sentenced to lengthy prison sentences. Four of the men appealed their sentences, but they were upheld. Pray they will all be released and charges against them dismissed.

December 5: Lord, watch over the six human rights defenders in Vietnam facing lengthy prison sentences. Thank You for their courage to stand up for human rights. We pray you will move powerfully to secure their soon release.

December 6: The recent case of six human rights defenders in Vietnam sentenced to prison shows the danger many face during the course of their work. Pray for their safety and for their families.

December 7: Praise God for the release of Vietnamese human rights lawyer, Nguyen Van Dai, sentenced unjustly to 15 years in prison and five years under house arrest.

December 8: Please pray for the release of Pastor A Dao, sentenced in 2017 to five years in prison for helping people illegally leave Vietnam. He denies the charge.

December 9: Dear God, protect and embolden Your Church in Vietnam. There are alarming reports of police storming church services and attacking congregations, then refusing to allow the injured to go to the hospital.

December 10: Please pray for children in Vietnam who are being forced out of school because their parents are Christians. Almighty God, keep these families safe from danger and violence.

December 11: Pray for Vietnamese Christians and churches fighting pressure from the government as they seek to share the gospel. Pray for Christians forced to flee their homes and separated from their families because of violent threats by police for their faith.

December 12: New Christians in Vietnam can come under pressure not only from the authorities but also from their family and friends. Pray the Vietnamese government ensures the right to freedom of religion or belief is fully guaranteed by law.

December 13: Please pray for safety of Christians and their families in rural Vietnam who are under pressure to recant their faith. Pray for new Christians being pressured to leave their homes from hostile neighbors.

December 14: Pray for safety and courage for Christians in Vietnam. Although the Vietnamese Communist government claims to respect religious freedom, many officials continue to harass and persecute Christians.

December 15: As Christians worldwide prepare to celebrate the birth of Jesus, in many places, this season of joy may bring harassment, brutal attacks and even death. Please pray for protection of persecuted Christians.

December 16: Please pray for Christian's worldwide whose families are torn apart by persecution that they may know God's comfort and peace. Pray for safety and courage for persecuted Christians as they prepare to celebrate the birth of Jesus Christ.

December 17: Pray for Christians facing intimidation from local authorities during the Christmas season. Peace on Earth is a distant promise for Christians in many parts of the world.

December 18: Pray Christians in vulnerable communities worldwide will be a beacon of hope during the Christmas season. May they express God's message of peace, love and salvation.



December 19: Praise God for the compassionate outreach of Shevet Achim, which means Brothers Dwelling Together. This organization, based in Israel, brings desperately ill non-Israeli children to Israeli hospitals for lifesaving medical care. Pray friendships formed bring wider reconciliation between Palestinian and Israeli peoples.

December 20: Dear Jesus, Prince of Peace, we pray for Christians for whom this Christmas will be far from peaceful. Watch over their celebrations and dwell among them as they gather.

December 21: Please pray congregations of forcibly closed churches will find safe places to celebrate Christmas in peace. Pray Christmas services are allowed to take place without intrusion or violence.

December 22: Almighty God, as we prepare to celebrate the birth of our Lord Jesus Christ, we pray for those who are unable to worship and celebrate in safety. Be close to them and protect them from all evil.

December 23: Pray for protection and peace upon Christians worldwide meeting together to celebrate the birth of Jesus, God's amazing gift of love and salvation.

December 24: Please pray for Christians who have nowhere to gather for Christmas because local authorities have closed their churches. Pray they can find somewhere safe to celebrate the birth of Christ in peace.

December 25: Bethlehem, the birth place of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, is encircled by the Israeli Separation Wall. Please pray for peace in this ancient city where the Prince of Peace came to bring salvation to the world.

December 26: Pray for vulnerable Christian communities worldwide facing threats of attack, violence and imprisonment this time of year. Pray for Christians unable to openly celebrate Christmas for fear of persecution.

December 27: Pray for God's blessing upon the work of Musalaha, an organization in Jerusalem which brings together Christian Palestinians and Messianic Jews in friendship activities. Pray these teenage desert pilgrimages, youth camps, women's conferences and Christian events build bridges for peace in this war-torn region.

December 28: Dear God, thank You for answered prayer and for guiding the work of CSW in 2018. May all that is done to combat Christian persecution be to Your Glory and according to Your will.

December 29: Thank God for His provision in 2018 and for the knowledge that He has amazing things planned in 2019. Praise God for all the breakthroughs and prisoner releases. Pray CSW continues to be used as a voice for the voiceless.

December 30: Pray for persecuted Christians who are feeling discouraged as they suffer for their faith. Pray they would be given renewed spiritual inspiration and courage in the New Year.

December 31: Pray Christians imprisoned unjustly for their faith will be freed and for all unjust laws to be overturned. Pray 2019 would truly be a new dawn for religious freedom around the world.

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