



CHRISTIAN SOLIDARITY WORLDWIDE USA

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PRAYER CALENDAR

April 2019

April 1: Please pray for spiritual revival in North Korea, a country of more than 24 million. It remains the most dangerous country worldwide for Christians. Being caught with a Bible is grounds for execution or a life-long prison sentence.

April 2: North Korea is the world's only dictatorship worshipped as dynasty and deity. Christianity has been described by defectors as public enemy number one. Almighty God, we pray for Your Holy Spirit to break the spirit of oppression and evil in North Korea.

April 3: Most North Koreans have never met a Christian or seen a Bible. They are brought up to believe that Christians are deranged, and often only know them by the

term "crazy people." Pray for the light of Jesus to shine through the darkness of this oppressed nation and break Satan's hold.

April 4: Pray for continued talks between North Korea, South Korea and the United States. Pray for wisdom and guidance for the international community as they engage in dialogue with the North Korean government, and for genuine progress towards peace.

April 5: While the increased dialogue between Kim Jong-Un and other world leaders is welcome, North Korea remains one of the most repressive regimes in existence. Pray for improvements in the human rights and living conditions of the North Korean people.

April 6: The North Korean regime's severe repression of its people seeks to control every aspect of daily life. Pray for the release of tens of thousands held in the kwanliso prison camps, and for an end to the horrific torture, sexual violence and slave labor perpetrated in these camps.

April 7: Please pray for prisoners in North Korean labor camps who are forced to watch executions. Pray for their hearts and minds to be healed of the trauma they have endured. Dear God, bring comfort and rescue to those suffering under this brutal regime.

April 8: Pray for brave Christians in North Korea, worshipping in secret despite grave risk. Loving God, we pray for Your Church in North Korea. Protect them as they stand in faith, so the minds and hearts of their oppressors can be opened to see Your love.

April 9: Many North Koreans attempt to escape into China. Pray China ends its policy of sending them back and allows them to pass safely into South Korea. Pray God protects all defectors from North Korea in their quest for freedom.

April 10: Pray for safety of North Korean refugees in China who are vulnerable to being forcibly repatriated. Ask God to protect and heal North Koreans who have managed to flee the horrors of their homeland.

April 11: Pray China ends its policy of forcible repatriation of North Korean refugees. Pray refugees who have escaped North Korea find a safe place to live and for their needs to be met.

April 12: Pray for the Holy Spirit to reveal the Truth of the Gospel to the people of North Korea. Please pray they would no longer be brainwashed by the regime's negative propaganda against Christianity.

April 13: Almighty God, we lift up the nation of North Korea. Its regime is under greater pressure to account for its extensive human rights violations. Lord, soften hearts and change minds among those in authority that carry out horrible atrocities.

April 14: Lord, as we live in the mercy and grace of Easter, we remember all that You sacrificed for us. As we approach Easter, place in our hearts a renewed passion for the Persecuted Church.

April 15: Pray for protection of Christians who may face greater threats around Easter. As we remember the sacrifices Jesus made for us, pray those who follow in the footsteps of His suffering know the peace, comfort and presence of God.

April 16: As Easter draws near, we are reminded of the suffering of Jesus. Pray for Christians around the world who are enduring persecution, suffering and violence for their faith in Jesus Christ.

April 17: Praise God for the living hope we have through the resurrection of Jesus Christ. As we anticipate Easter let us join together in prayer for the protection of the persecuted Church worldwide.

April 18: Easter often becomes a flashpoint for conflict in many parts of the world. Pray for peace between different religious groups worldwide and for local authorities to allow communities to celebrate Easter in their own way.



April 19: Almighty God, in this week of observing Your Son's death on the cross and His glorious resurrection, we pray for Christians who approach Easter unsure if celebrating would make them a target. Protect Your children and bring Your peace.

April 20: Please pray for protection against attacks on churches over the Easter weekend. Pray for the Good News of the Gospel to spread and that every person may receive salvation through the love of Jesus.

April 21: Hallelujah, He is Risen! Lord Jesus, today we celebrate Your resurrection and the eternal hope we have in You. As Your Church unites in celebration, please renew hope for all those who are suffering for their faith in You.

April 22: Easter reminds us that Jesus suffered alone for our sins. Pray for those who have been abandoned by friends and/or family because of their faith in Jesus. Ask God to comfort the families of Christians who have been killed for their faith.

April 23: Lord Jesus, our Savior and King, we thank You for bringing forgiveness of sins and life in abundance. We pray for Your mighty power to be poured out upon Christians facing persecution.

April 24: Dear God, we pray for the nation of Egypt and all Egyptian Christians. We pray that You would grant Your children safety and that Egypt would one day be a country of peace for all its citizens.

April 25: The Coptic Christian community in Egypt faces daily persecution. They endure attacks on churches and priests, and discrimination in the law. Pray for protection while they worship and go about their daily lives.

April 26: President Sisi has been the first serving president in Egypt's history to attend Coptic Christmas Mass which he has done several years running. He delivered unifying messages of national solidarity and equality of citizenship. Pray Egypt would be a peaceful country for all its citizens.

April 27: Last August a mob gathered in the village of Demshao Hashem, Egypt, after rumors that a building was going to be converted into a church. The attack resulted in injuries and four properties damaged. Pray for peace between religious communities.

April 28: When Christians are attacked in Egypt, the perpetrators often aren't even put on trial. Justice for the victims is slow in coming, or simply never happens. Pray the Egyptian government takes strong measures to hold perpetrators accountable.

April 29: Terrorists opened fire last November on a bus filled with Christians in Upper Egypt. At least seven people were killed and eleven injured in the attack. The Coptic community has been the target of many attacks in recent years. Pray for healing and God's hand of protection and blessing over them.

April 30: Dear God, we commit the country of Egypt to You. We pray Egypt moves forward with proactive efforts to promote social cohesion and inclusion for all its citizens. Lord, we pray for a new phase of Egyptian history to be built upon true unity, collaboration, and reconciliation.

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