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PRAYER CALENDAR April 2020

April 1: Lord, as we prepare for Easter, place in our hearts a renewed passion for the Persecuted Church. As we live in the mercy and grace of Easter, we remember all that You sacrificed for us.

April 2: As we approach Holy Week, pray for protection of Christians around the world who may face greater threats. Pray for persecuted Christians who worship in unregistered churches, house churches and in secret.

April 3: Dear God, thank You for reconciling us to You through the death and resurrection of Your son, Jesus. As we prepare for Holy Week, watch over all those who are dispossessed by their governments and are crying out for justice.

April 4: The events of Easter include the trial of Jesus. Please pray for Christians who are currently undergoing unfair trials worldwide. Pray justice and freedom would prevail in all these situations.

April 5: "My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?" (Matthew 27:46) Pray for Christians held hostage because of their faith, for whom this verse may ring true. Pray those unjustly detained would know God's comfort and faithfulness.

April 6: "I thirst." (John 19:28) Pray for Christians facing grave injustices for their faith, thirsting for huge institutional change in their countries. Pray they won't lose hope in God's power to transform even the worst situations.

April 7: "Father, forgive them, for they do not know what they are doing." (Luke 23:34) Pray those who persecute Christians would come to recognize what they're doing and would have an immediate change of heart.

April 8: "Truly I tell you, today you will be with Me in paradise." (Luke 23:43) In the hour of His greatest suffering, Christ offered comfort. Pray persecuted Christians facing unimaginable suffering on account of their faith would be comforted by Christ.

April 9: "Woman here is your son...Here is your mother." (John 19:26-27) Pray for Christians whose family members have been detained or have disappeared because of their faith. Ask Christ to strengthen and sustain them.

April 10: "Father, into Your hands I commend My spirit." (Luke 23:46) Jesus humbly offered up His suffering to the Father. Pray persecuted Christians, suffering for their faith, can follow His example by offering them up as a loving sacrifice to God.

April 11: "It is finished." (John 19:30) Loving Lord Jesus, with Your final words on the cross You declared the completion of Your earthly ministry by which You made salvation possible. May Your words bring profound comfort to those working for Your will to be done for Your glory.

April 12: Hallelujah! He is Risen! Love's redeeming work is done. Jesus triumphed over death to give hope and new life. Please pray for the safety of Christians worldwide as Easter is a time of heightened tension with increased risk of violence.

April 13: 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 14: Please pray for persecuted Christians suffering for their faith, particularly those in the darkest of situations, desperately praying for change. Dear God, we pray You would intervene on their behalf and answer their prayers.

April 15: 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 Your children facing persecution.

April 16: Merciful God, we pray for Your Holy Spirit to permeate the nation of Vietnam. May Your mercy and grace bring healing, understanding of Your love and a powerful spiritual revival.

April 17: Pray for new Christians in Vietnam to have the courage they need to be strong in their faith, even when they are pressured to give it up. Pray for the Church to stand strong in unity.

April 18: Pray for families of new Christians in Vietnam who are encouraged by authorities to harass and pressure new believers to give up their faith. Pray for God's peace and strength upon His children as they witness to loved ones.



April 19: Dear Lord, we thank You for the work of human rights defenders in Vietnam. Protect and defend Christians who are unjustly imprisoned and work powerfully for their release.

April 20: Pray for Christians in Vietnam to have safe opportunities to share their faith with family and friends. Lord, open hearts and minds to receive Your message of love and salvation.

April 21: We pray the Holy Spirit will comfort and protect those working for religious freedom in Vietnam. Protect CSW partners and contacts within Vietnam, whose work often puts them at great risk.

April 22: Please pray for the many human rights defenders in Vietnam risking their freedom and safety for the rights of their fellow citizens. Lord, we commit them to You, their vigilant protector and deliverer.

April 23: Almighty God, we pray for Your Church in Vietnam. Legislation makes it easy for authorities to limit the activities of Christian groups with official backing for their actions.

April 24: Christians in Vietnam often experience denial of access to education and public services after conversion. Some are evicted from their homes or detained and tortured. Please pray for their protection.

April 25: Thank God for the 2019 UN Human Rights Committee's review of Vietnam's human rights situation, and their strong recommendations. Pray this will lead to decisive action and tangible improvements for Christians.

April 26: Pray for the youth in Vietnam to be involved in human rights activities and to unite in fight for democracy and freedom. Pray for the Vietnamese government to end harassment of Christians.

April 27: Pray for human rights defenders in Vietnam working in an increasingly dangerous situation. The government targets those who speak up for religious freedom.

April 28: Christians in remote areas of Vietnam suffer the most severe abuses following conversion to Christianity. Ask God to protect them from harm.

April 29: Various countries and institutions are seeking closer trade ties with Vietnam. Pray every opportunity will be taken to raise religious freedom issues with the Vietnamese government and press for real change.

April 30: Dear God, protect and embolden Your Church in Vietnam. Help Your children to be instruments to bring Your peace, justice and spiritual revival in all cities and villages across Vietnam.

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