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*The Word goes local*

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# Prayer POINTS



**“Be still, and know that I am God!  
I will be honored by every nation.  
I will be honored throughout the world.”**

Psalm 46:10 (NLT)

**1 Jam Ma Cluster — Cameroon:** A Kwanay woman named Tabitha lives with her family in a remote village. She was amazed to learn that there are written documents in Kwanay and that it is possible to read and write the language. Tabitha quickly bought a literacy primer and the Gospel of Luke to prepare her family to read and use the New Testament when it is available. Lord, **help this isolated family advance in their literacy skills.**

**2 Bali — South Asia: Praise God** that an eight-year-old girl and a 10-year-old boy started learning to read the Bali language during the weekly project Bible studies. Lord, we **pray the seeds of faith planted in their hearts will grow and produce spiritual fruit.**



**3 Nirgam — South Asia:** Lord, **thank You** for the strong friendship that has grown between the two Nirgam translators, Ishaan and Akash, and the project facilitators. Lord, **continue to be a shield around them!**

**4 Kabras — Kenya:** One hundred booklets based on the Lord's Prayer, titled "Words of Grace," were prepared by the Kabras translators. One hundred Sunday school teachers across the region are using it in their ministry. Lord, **please help children come to You in prayer with confidence and faith.**

**5 Mfumte Cluster — Cameroon:** Father God, on this day of Sabbath rest, **please help** Koffa project staff members Pastor Eric, Shantal, Dickson, Pastor Vincent, Martin and Norvester be still before You. **Thank You** for the way they are honouring You in their community.

**6 Birari — South Asia:** Project facilitator Pranav spent years researching and publishing a linguistic description of the Birari language. Recently, a notable linguist in the country referenced his work online and brought Pranav encouragement in a dark time. Lord, we **pray for continued favour and that the language project would go on impacting this community that needs You.**

**7 Mehra — Highland Asia:** Father, as Prakash translates the books of Ezra and Nehemiah, **motivate him** with a reminder of the joyful tears shed by Mehra believers every time they receive a newly translated book of the Bible. Tears like the those of the children of Israel when they were reunited in their homeland and heard the Word read to them.

**8 Consultant Capacity Building — Cameroon: Praise God** for progress made by the linguistic consultants-in-training. Cyriaque was recently reviewed for certification, Arnie Laure received her PhD, and Albert is advancing in his PhD research. Lord, **please help Cyriaque, Arnie Laure, Albert and other consultants-in-training serve in the work of Bible translation with Your strength.**

**9 Gaba — South Asia:** The Gaba project facilitator, Soban, is attending a workshop now that will help him develop and publish literacy materials and booklets for the Gaba community. Lord, **please help him to apply all he learns, resulting in regular publishing of new materials.**

**10 Sengwer Cherangany — Kenya:** Lord, **provide wisdom and skills** to the Kabras team as they work on a mental health booklet for distribution among the Sengwer Cherangany youth.



**11 Ring Road Cluster — Cameroon:** Lord, **bless Patrick, Victory, Ezekiel, Philip, and Desi**, the staff of the Bamendankwe project, with good health. Protect them also spiritually and physically and give them joy as they serve their community in translation, literacy, storytelling, and Scripture engagement.

**12 Jam Ma Cluster — Cameroon:** Seven churches in the Jam Ma Cluster community were visited by Scripture engagement workers over the past year and three asked the worker to return and lead Bible studies. God, we **pray for these churches to apply what they learned** about praying in their mother tongue and memorizing and singing Scripture.

**13 Kadai — South Asia:** Lord, **please lead** project facilitators Veeru and Nilima to Kadai people who are doubting the religious ways they grew up following, those whose hearts are open to Your truth. God, **build Your church among the Kadai**.

**14 Moloko — Cameroon:** During a trauma healing group session, Youssouf recounted how his motorcycle was stolen from him by someone he knew. Youssouf decided that he must forgive this person. After this decision in the session, he experienced the freedom that comes from forgiveness. Lord, we **pray for protection against aggressive theft** which has risen in the Moloko community.



**15 Nawila — East Africa:** Lord, **thank You** for helping Nawila translator Kioni bring five more books of the Old Testament through drafting and review. We **pray for the translation consultant to receive insights from You** during the quality-check of translated verses this week so that Nawila believers can soon benefit from this portion of Scripture.



**16 Gurija — South Asia:** The preparations for a monthly magazine in the Gurija language have been completed, but due to rising persecution in recent months, the team is waiting for the right time to launch. Father, in Your perfect timing, we **pray for this magazine to bring light and hope to the Gurija community**.

**17 Cameroon:** Lord Jesus, we **pray that You will bring an end to widely held tribal spiritist traditions** still practiced among some Christians in Cameroon. Father, **let Your light shine and overcome all darkness, deception, and syncretism**.



**18 Kunama — Ethiopia:** Lord, **thank You** for Amaneul, a new Scripture engagement worker among the Kunama people. **Strengthen his spirit** as he channels Your love to hurting people.

**19 Mfumte Cluster — Cameroon:** Augustine, one of the Kwaja translators, has been teaching a literacy class in a church of a different denomination than his own. In the past, people in these two denominations judged each other, but now the translation and literacy program has united them. They share a common value for Scripture. **Praise God! Lord, continue to use Augustine as an instrument of peace in his community.**

**20 Jola-Felupe — Guinea-Bissau:** Lord, **protect** the Jola-Felupe New Testament books as they travel by boat from the printshop in Brazil to a port in Guinea-Bissau. **Unite the church leaders** in the community as they prepare for the dedication ceremony.

**21 Duvai — South Asia:** Lord, **break through the spiritual barriers**, built by traditional religion over many centuries, that are keeping the Duvai people from acknowledging You as the one true God.

**22 Kassin — South Asia:** Lord, **please guide** Yanak, the project facilitator, to Kassin people who know their language well and are ready to make a commitment to serving their community as translators.



**23 Nomaande — Cameroon:** God, **encourage** the Nomaande listening group leaders by letting them taste some "fruit" from their efforts and see more spiritual hunger in their community for the Bible, the bread of Life.



**24 Kenya:** Churches across Kenya celebrated Bible Translation Sunday in December. Holy Spirit, **help them follow up on the financial and prayer commitments** they made to support BTL, the national Bible translation organization in their country.

**25 Nzime — Cameroon:** Unfortunately, the mentality of receiving instead of giving has impacted the Nzime listening group program. Most of the leaders expect compensation. God, **please help them have compassion** on community members who cannot read and who are eager to join listening groups and hear Nzime Scripture.

**26 Donali — South Asia:** Father, **thank You** for the vision You gave Darsh, the project facilitator, revealing the urgency of visiting his father. Darsh was able to care for his father and spend precious time with him before his passing. Now, Lord, **give Darsh peace and hope** in the assurance that You are with us in both life and death.

**27 Ring Road Cluster — Cameroon:** Lord, we **pray for Laimbue and Njen communities to sense a need to increase the number of people serving on their interchurch committees**, thus increasing community ownership of the project.

**28 OneBook:** Lord, **be a fortress** around investments that OneBook donors have made for the advancement of Your kingdom. **Multiply their offerings for Your glory.**

**29 Ring Road Cluster — Cameroon:** The Koshin oral Bible storytellers have recounted over 20 different stories in their community. Lord, **inspire those who heard these stories to retell them** to others, spreading the promises and instructions of Your Word.

**30 Wambra — Highland Asia:** Lord, as translator Rashan meets with the Wambra revision committee, **help him to understand their feedback. Build the unity and courage** of these church leaders who serve their people in difficult times.

**31 Rabas — South Asia:** After three translators left the Rabas team for security reasons, God brought the project facilitators a new team member: Shimar. Shimar, a teenager in the village, was eager to collaborate despite religious differences. Lord, **may Shimar's example inspire others** in the village to set aside differences and work with the facilitators on the Rabas dictionary and literacy materials.