JULY 2019



1 Peter 4:8-9 (NIV)

"Above all, love each other deeply, because love covers over a multitude of sins. ⁹Offer hospitality to one another without grumbling."

1. Monday: Rescheduling Two Recording Projects in Mexico

Pray for two recording projects that the ASM Mexico Team has had to reschedule because readers are unavailable. Plans are to begin recording the Rincon del Sur New Testament and dub the Genesis video into the Zapotec language in August.

2. Tuesday: Mozambique Audio Bible Distribution

Pray for an audio Bible distribution that will soon take place in a sensitive location in Mozambique. Pray that the people receiving the audio Bibles will be open to listening, and that these great tools will help open doors for new ministry opportunities in that area.

3. Wednesday: 2019 North America ION Gathering

Please pray for the 2019 North America International Orality Network (ION) gathering to be held 3 months from today in Toronto! This gathering is open to all people interested in sharing the Gospel and making disciples of Jesus Christ. Please pray for ASM Executive Director Naomi Frizzell who is serving as Program Director, and ASM Communications and Development Manager Joshua Harrison who is serving the Program Team. Learn more at www.oralitycanada.com

4. Thursday: United States Independence Day

Today is the 4th of July holiday in the United States to celebrate the Declaration of Independence made in 1776, and the birth of the U.S.A as a nation. Pray that leaders at all levels of American government would seek God and serve with humility, integrity, and wisdom.

5. Friday: Health for Mother of WCOI Team Member

ASM's partner in India, WCOI, asks for prayer for Vasantha—the mother of team member, Jim, who has been battling cancer and has gone through 33 cycles of radiation so far. After 4 months of hospital treatment, they are finally returning home! Ask the Lord to give Vasantha strength as she recovers, and awaits her next appointment on 10th September.

6. Saturday: Travel Safety

Several members of the ASM Mexico Team will be traveling extensively in the US and Mexico in the coming weeks. Ask God to guide and protect them on their way.

7. Sunday: Pray Together Sunday

Today is "Pray Together Sunday" in the United States—an opportunity for churches to join in prayer asking God to help us to be people who love God and love others well. Jesus told His people in Matthew 22:37-40 (NIV) that the greatest commandments are to "Love the Lord your God with all your heart..." and "...Love your neighbor as yourself." Learn more about Pray Together Sunday at www.nae.net/praytogether

8. Monday: Mozambique Bridge Repair

Praise the Lord that a "bypass" has been made around an important bridge in Mozambique that was severely damaged by Cyclone Idai. The Compassionate Care Team can once again get their car across the river to make their visits! The repairs are not a long term solution, so pray the bridge holds up so people can continue to have access to resources, and patients can be visited.



9. Tuesday: India Audio Bible Distribution

Pray for a distribution planned for a large group of visually-challenged people in South India. WCOI is expecting around 500 people to attend this distribution! Pray for the India Team as they prepare the audio Bibles, and also for the event organizers as they work hard to bring all these people together.

10. Wednesday: Gotthi Koya Recording in India

Pray for the recording that is scheduled for the Gotthi Koya language this month in India. Pray for the team who will travel to Bangalore to work on this recording, as well as the WCOI Team who will host them.

11. Thursday: ASM Board of Directors

Praise God for ASM's wonderful Board of Directors who together consider prayerfully how best to move the ministry forward. Ask God to provide each board member with wisdom, clarity, vision, and refreshment as they work.

12. Friday: Mozambique Container

Pray for God's provision as ASM collects agricultural equipment, medical supplies, and audio Bibles to fill a 20 foot shipping container to send to the Mozambique Team in response to the devastation of Cyclone Idai. Praise God for the volunteer who is leading this project! Pray that the container contents will support new and ongoing ministry efforts in Mozambique, including audio Bible recording and distribution, the recently-launched "Farming with God" agricultural program, and the Compassionate Care program. Learn more at www.audioscripture.org/mz-container

13. Saturday: Grace for Effective Communication

Pray for ASM's Communications Team as they share the stories of God at work, and encourage additional people to pray for and provide audio Bibles for those who need to hear God's Word. Pray for new opportunities to share this vision and need with church groups and potential partners, so that together, more people can hear the Gospel of Jesus!

14. Sunday: Scripture Listeners

Ask the Lord to bless all who are listening to His Word around the world today. Pray the Holy Spirit would bring the Words to life—providing encouragement, spiritual growth, and the power to become "doers of the Word" (Jas 1:22, KJV).

15. Monday: New Audio Resources for the Compassionate Care Team

Praise God that the Compassionate Care Team has successfully launched a new audio Bible program for their patients. Now, audio players will include Christian health teachings, newly recorded Christian songs, and many Old and New Testament Bible stories in the Tewe language. Pray for those listening to be encouraged in new healthy habits—physical and spiritual.

16. Tuesday: Mexico Dedication Ceremony and Distribution

Please pray for the Alacatlazala New Testament dedication ceremony in Guerrero, Mexico. Pray for those who will receive written New Testaments and audio Bibles during this celebration.

17. Wednesday: Otomi New Testament Recording in Mexico

Pray for the completion of the Otomi language New Testament recording that is being done in Mexico. The readers have had many obligations in their community and have not been able to work consistently. Praise God that the majority of this project is already complete.

18. Thursday: Church Partnership

Praise God for Scotts Hill Baptist Church in Wilmington, NC! Over the past year-and-a-half, they have faithfully supported Gospel evangelism and training in West Africa by both sponsoring and distributing audio Bibles and Bible-based teachings. Pray for God to bless this church as they share His Word.

19. *Friday: New Listeners in Mozambique*

Praise the Lord for successful audio Bible distributions that took place last month in central Mozambique. The ASM Mozambique Team distributed 700 audio Bibles to families in some of the areas hardest hit by Cyclone Idai. Pray that as people listen to God's Word it would bring peace and joy, despite the difficult circumstances brought by the cyclone.

20. Saturday: Kenya Audio Bible Distributions

Praise God for faithful ASM donors who made it possible for those on a joint team trip between First Reformed Church (Zeeland, MI) and International Needs (Hudsonville, MI) to carry audio Bibles with them in the Swahili, Luo, Gusii, and Kamba languages. The team members traveled to various regions of Kenya to help dig wells and share God's sustaining Word.

21. Sunday: Listening Groups Without a Pastoral Leader

Pray for the many audio Bible listening groups that are without a pastor to oversee them, that God would give wisdom and understanding of the Scriptures. Pray that they would have the earnest faith that pleases God (Heb. 11), and that they would see clear answers to prayers for their loved ones and communities, and bear much fruit for God's glory.

22. Monday: God's Word Received with Joy by Lepers in India

Praise the Lord for a recent distribution of audio Bibles to a leper colony in India. WCOI has been hearing encouraging reports of how these new listeners have been engaging with their new audio Bibles. Praise God for the excitement this distribution was met with and what a blessing it has been to many people.

23. Tuesday: New Language Audio Bible Distributions in Mexico

Praise God that the Tenek and Guevea language New Testament recordings were recently completed in Mexico! Praise God that the first MegaVoice audio Bibles have been distributed to families in both of these language groups this month.

24. Wednesday: Refreshment for the Compassionate Care Team in Mozambique

Praise God for the Mozambique Compassionate Care Team! Pray for rest and renewed strength for the Team, as it has been a very busy first half of the year. Pray as they continue the challenging work, and finish the second half of the year well.

25. Thursday: Mozambique Agricultural Training Center

Praise the Lord for the progress being made on the Agricultural Training Center in central Mozambique. Pray for the Team there as they continue to develop the site and start building the agricultural training curriculum, that God would provide a physical and spiritual harvest.

26. Friday: Use of Audio Bibles in Guatemala

Please pray for renewed awareness, interest, and use of the many audio Scripture materials available in the indigenous languages of Guatemala. Pray that short-term teams visiting Guatemala this summer would add audio Bibles to their ministry tool kits.

27. Saturday: Sharing God's Word in Costa Rica

Praise God for the team from Zion Evangelical and Reformed Church (Garner, IA), that will be traveling to Costa Rica next month in partnership with YouthWorks and Rice & Beans Ministries. These young people will be distributing food packs door-to-door, along with 40 Spanish language copies of God's Word in audio. Pray for them and those whom they serve.

28. Sunday: Psalm 28:7-8

Praise God for His strength! "The Lord is my strength and my shield; my heart trusts in Him, and He helps me. My heart leaps for joy, and with my song I praise Him. The Lord is the strength of His people, a fortress of salvation for His anointed one" (Psalm 28:7-8, NIV).

29. Monday: New Listeners in Vera Cruz

Praise God for the many new churches and missions in Vera Cruz, Mexico that have begun listening to Scriptures on Proclaimer audio Bibles. Pray that these people would develop a love for God's Word.

30. Tuesday: A New Testament Recording in India

Pray for the Adihivasi Odiya New Testament recording that is scheduled to begin next month in India. Ask the Holy Spirit to be at work in the hearts of those in this people group who are waiting to hear His Word in their heart language.

31. Wednesday: Spiritual Insight for Young Listeners

Praise the Lord for the first generation of children growing up in homes listening to audio Bibles. Pray that many children would surrender their lives to Jesus at a very young age. Pray that they would have spiritual insight and wisdom beyond their years, and that entire families would turn to serve the Lord.

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