PRAISE & PRAYER GUIDE

Psalm 31:19 (ESV)

"Oh, how abundant is Your goodness, which You have stored up for those who fear You and worked for those who take refuge in You, in the sight of the children of mankind!"

1. Tuesday: Recording Completed in Mexico

Praise the Lord for another completed New Testament recording in Mexico, bringing the total to 86 different languages recorded by ASM's Mexico studio! Pray that God's Word would bring peace and restoration to the people of Ixcatlan who have experienced great fear and loss due to drug-related violence and civil unrest.

2. Wednesday: God Reopening Ministry Opportunities

Praise God for reopening ministry opportunities for several of ASM's national partners in South Asia. Praise God for how He has protected and sustained these teams.

3. Thursday: ASM Preparing for the New Fiscal Year

Pray for wisdom and discernment for the ASM Team as they develop their goals and budgets for the 2020-21 Fiscal Year. Pray that the Holy Spirit would give insight and boldness for planning, so that more people will hear God's Word. Pray also for the funding needed in each ministry area to accomplish these plans.

4. Friday: Impact on New Harvest Farm

The Bible-based agricultural training program of New Harvest Farm in central Mozambique has been halted due to COVID regulations. Pray that the staff would be able to discover new ways to help the community and their farms during this time.

5. Saturday: Open Job Positions at ASM

ASM is seeking to fill two positions in Holland, MI. Pray that God would quickly provide the right team members so that more people will hear His Word. Learn more about the available jobs at www.audioscripture.org/jobs and pass the word to anyone you know who might be interested!

6. Sunday: Share the Message of Truth

"And you also were included in Christ when you heard the message of truth, the gospel of your salvation. When you believed, you were marked in him with a seal, the promised Holy Spirit..." (Ephesians 1:3, NIV). Pray for more families to be able to hear and respond to the wonderful "message of truth"—to God's glory!

7. Monday: Labor Day Celebration

Today is Labor Day in the U.S. Pray that God would use the work we do together to bring Him honor and glory. "May the favor of the Lord our God rest on us; establish the work of our hands for us—yes, establish the work of our hands" (Psalm 90:17, NIV).

8. Tuesday: International Literacy Day

80% of the world's population are considered oral communicators, by preference or necessity. Today, on International Literacy Day, pray for those who can't read and are unable to access God's Word because the Bible is not available in their own heart language. Pray that Bible translations and audio Bible recordings will increase so that all may hear God's Word and come to faith in Jesus Christ.

9. Wednesday: God to Protect and Provide for His People in Mexico

Pray that God would be with the recording technicians, missionaries, and pastors in Mexico who faithfully serve and share the Gospel with the people of Mexico. Ask God to protect them and their families as they minister and to give them the resources they need as they live a life of faith.

10. Thursday: Travel Restrictions in India

WCOI, a national partner in India, is limiting in-person distributions because state borders have been closed to stop the spread of COVID. Please pray that their staff would be able to mail more audio Bibles to people who need them. Also pray for them as they use this time to focus on Bible recordings.

11. Friday: Preparing for the Annual Report

Pray for the Communications Team at ASM as they prepare a report of what God has done in and through ASM during the last fiscal year. Ask God to use the report to raise up more prayer and financial support for the continuing work.

12. Saturday: Blessings for a Compassionate Care Team Member's Upcoming Marriage

Pray for Rabeca J., a Mozambique Compassionate Care team member, as she gets married soon. We thank God for Rebeca and the blessing that she is to our team and the patients! Pray the Lord will bless her marriage and that she and her husband's faith would be evident to those around them.

13. Sunday: God's Work in Haiti

Pray for ASM's partner Many Hands for Haiti (MH4H) and the new mothers in their "The First 1000 Days" program. MH4H had to put the program on hold in March to comply with safety regulations. Praise God for the Haitian-Creole audio Bibles provided to these young mothers during this difficult time, along with monthly food packages!



14. Monday: Missionaries in Zambia

Praise the Lord for missionaries Jim and Rachel, who begin a new term of mission work in Zambia this month. They will be using ASM audio Bibles in the Tonga language to teach people about the Bible and to teach literacy. Pray for good connections with indigenous leaders in reaching people with the Gospel.

15. Tuesday: Transient People Groups in West Michigan

Pray for Jim and Jamie Loker, ASM Latin America Directors, as they seek native speakers from Guatemala and Mexico currently living in West Michigan and give them God's Word in audio in their own heart language. Pray that God would provide opportunities for more people to hear the Gospel through these devices and that many would turn to Jesus for salvation.

16. Wednesday: Recording Completed in Africa

Praise the Lord for the completion of the New Testament recording in the Makua Meeto language of northern Mozambique. Pray for the team as they make plans to distribute these new audio Bibles.

17. Thursday: Audio Bibles Distributed by a Mission Trip Team

High Pointe Community Church in West Michigan recently sent a mission team to Mexico to build homes and also took Spanish audio Bibles from ASM to distribute. The group was thrilled to see the happy reactions of people who heard the Bible in their own language! Ask that God would use these Bibles to encourage and grow the people who listen to them.

18. Friday: Strength for the Harvest

Ask the Lord of the Harvest to send more laborers into His harvest field (Luke 10:2). Pray for those already working in remote locations, perhaps where there are no known believers. Ask God to strengthen and give spiritual refreshment to every person sharing His Word with others.

19. Saturday: Peace for Mozambique

Pray for people in northern Mozambique who are facing an increase of extremist attacks on villages in the northern province of Cabo Delgado. Around 250,000 people are now living as refugees because of these brutal attacks. Pray that the Lord would bring peace to the region.

20. Sunday: Light in the Midst of Darkness

Praise the Lord for technology that enables people to worship God together even when they can't physically be together! Thank God for the faithful efforts of key partners reaching out with God's Message, the Bible, to staff, caregivers, and other service workers during the pandemic in the US. What a blessing for neighbors to share hope in this broken world!

21. Monday: World Gratitude Day

"I will give thanks to the Lord because of His righteousness; I will sing praises of the Name of the Lord Most High" (Psalm 7:17, NIV). Today on World Gratitude Day, let's praise God together for the gift of His Son, celebrating that all who believe in Jesus may have redemption and freedom from sin!

22. Tuesday: WCOI Board Meeting

Praise God that WCOI was able to conduct its Annual Board meeting after postponing due to COVID. Pray for the staff at WCOI as they adapt to new regulations and ask God to keep them in good health.

23. Wednesday: Staff Members Faithful Service

Pray for two ASM staff members who have recently departed for different career paths. Ask God to continue to lead them in the path He has for them, and pray for God to provide the new team members He has prepared to serve at ASM.

24. Thursday: Recordings in Mexico

Pray for the many recordings in various stages of production in Mexico. Specifically pray for the continuation and completion of the Old Testament in Mixe and for the recording of the Book of Genesis in Ixcatlan.

25. Friday: God's Word Never Returns Void

Praise the Lord for the good reports we have heard from areas in Mozambique where audio Bibles have been distributed. Many people are finding hope and joy in these challenging days through listening to Scriptures.

26. Saturday: Churches and Ministries Adjusting During COVID

Ask God to provide for the churches and ministries that have had to reduce staff or limit outreach due to reduced donations. Pray that these organizations would have the resources they need and for the Gospel to be preached even more than before!

27. Sunday: Reaching Migrants in America

Pray for ASM to continue to make strategic connections with the local churches and ministries who have a heart to reach transient migrant workers. Pray that the Bible recordings we've already completed for dozens of indigenous people groups from Guatemala and Mexico would be put to good use and shared generously in these communities.

28. Monday: Complete Healing for Helena

Please pray for Helena in Mozambique, as the Compassionate Care Team continues to do dressing changes on this precious young girl's burn wound. Pray the Lord will completely heal her and restore the use of her arm for His glory.

29. Tuesday: Recordings in India

Pray for the Tamil and Kannada New Testament recordings that are being produced at the WCOI studio in Bangalore, India. Many other Bible recordings in India have been postponed due to the pandemic. Pray that all the recordings will be able to resume shortly after travel restrictions are lifted.

30. Wednesday: Sharing God's Word

There are at least 2,000 languages identified (as of 2018) that have a definite or likely Bible translation need, according to Wycliffe Bible Translators (Wycliffe.org). Many, if not most, of these people groups comprise oral communicators who also need audio access to the translated Scriptures. Pray for the translators—and recordists—working hard to bring God's Word to more people!

