

PRAISE & PRAYER GUIDE

"Enter His gates with thanksgiving and His courts with praise; give thanks to Him and praise His Name" (Psalm 100:4, NIV).

1. Wednesday: ASM Team Retreat

Praise God for all He did at the ASM Team Retreat, concluding today in Michigan. The team prayed, studied Scripture, and focused on increasing prayer and Gospel partnerships so that more people will hear God's Word, come to faith in Jesus Christ, and grow in discipleship and obedience to God's Word.

2. Thursday: Bible Storytelling about the Stars

ASM Bible Engagement Director Tara Rye is working on a Bible storytelling set that illustrates how God interacts with *the stars*. This will equip leaders in Asia to teach a Biblical worldview in regions where the stars are worshipped as gods. Pray for God to give wisdom as this story set is developed, discussed, and shared.

3. Friday: Huave Families Now Hearing God's Word

Praise the Lord for more than 300 additional audio Bibles that were placed with Huave-speaking families last month by ASM Latin America Directors Jim and Jamie Loker and a short-term mission team from Florida.

4. Saturday: God's Word in East Africa

Pray for Gospel Partner Pastor S* in East Africa as he distributes 250 solar speakers with audio Bibles loaded on SD cards. Pray for protection and a great spiritual harvest as people hear and respond to God's Word.

5. Sunday: Rooted and Grateful

Pray Colossians 2:7 over the members of your church. Pray that each would be, "rooted and built up in [Christ], strengthened in the faith as you were taught, and overflowing with thankfulness." (NIV)

6. Monday: Gratitude and Prayer for Those in Need

For many, November is a month to focus on gratitude. Serving in Mozambique, ASM Compassionate Coordinator Dara Vanden Bosch reminds us that in many places, people still lack access to basic needs like health care and clean water. Let's thank God if we do have those good things, but also pray for those in need!

7. Tuesday: Prayer for the Middle East

Pray for those in Israel and surrounding regions as many face the effects of terrorism and violence. Pray for peace and reconciliation. Pray those who have lost loved ones will experience God's comfort in their grief.

8. Wednesday: God's Word in Guatemala

Praise God for the recent trip to Guatemala that Gospel Partner Paradise Bound took at the end of last month. Pray that all who received audio Bibles would respond to the truth and hope found only in Jesus.

9. Thursday: Recording in Makua Shirima

Pray for the Old Testament recording in the Makua Shirima language that is currently taking place in Mozambique, where ASM Africa Director Chad Vanden Bosch serves. Pray for the readers and the recording team as they begin the lengthy process of recording the 23,145 verses that comprise the Old Testament.

10. Friday: Equipping Partners to Share God's Word

Praise God for the great interactions ASM Resource Coordinator Jonathan Stoimenoff had as he shared the mission and vision of ASM at a denominational gathering last month. Pray for good Gospel fruit from these meetings and for more people to see ways they can help share God's Word in audio.

11. Saturday: New Listeners Among Four Language Groups

Pray for the families who received audio Bibles last month in four different languages of Oaxaca, Mexico: Mixtec, Mixe, Huave, and Triqui. Pray the devices will be used well in the villages where they were placed.

12. Sunday: Peace to Replace Political Tension

Pray for peace in Mozambique. Contested municipal election results last month have stoked political tension throughout the country. Pray for peaceful resolutions that wouldn't plunge the country back to the brink of war, as has happened many times in the past.

13. Monday: So Many Blessed by Ron Beery's Work

Praise God that Tara's visits to partnering churches have been fruitful. On two occasions, Tara even met people who, years ago, heard ASM founder, Ron Beery, present on "TapeTalk" (hand-crank) audio Bibles. Praise God for the decades of Ron and Alice's work, which influenced so many. Pray the vision will keep growing so all will hear!

14. Tuesday: Compassionate Care Team Continuing Their Visits

Praise God the Compassionate Care team is all back to work together again. Praise the Lord for restful maternity leaves and healthy babies for the growing families of our team and pray for their work ahead.

15. Wednesday: Those Needing Physical and Spiritual Food in the DRC

Pray for those in the Democratic Republic of the Congo (DRC) who continue to experience food insecurity amid continued conflict and displacement from their homes. Pray for the distribution of audio Scripture materials in the DRC by our partner Global Recordings Network (South Africa) in collaboration with ASM.

16. Thursday: Faithful Stewardship of Resources

As a part of ASM's core value of stewardship, an annual independent audit is conducted each fall after the fiscal year-end. Pray for our auditors as they complete this important work and report on ASM's financials.

17. Friday: Sharing God's Word in Ghana

Pray for a team from Scotts Hill Baptist Church (Wilmington, NC) traveling to Ghana. They will take 205 audio Bibles to people still waiting to hear God's Word. Pray for God to provide open doors and guidance.

18. Saturday: Peace in Persecution

Pray for Christians being persecuted daily for their faith in Jesus. Pray specifically for believers in South Asia facing increased physical attacks, that they would be strengthened by God as they take refuge in Him. "But the Lord has become my fortress, and my God the Rock in whom I take refuge." (Psalm 94:22, NIV)

19. Sunday: Give Thanks to the Lord

This Thanksgiving, let's "Give thanks to the Lord, for He is good; His love endures forever" (Psalm 107). We serve a good God, whose love and help remain with us, even when we face difficult circumstances.

20. Monday: Old Testament (OT) Recordings in Mexico

This month marks the beginning of the Mayo OT recording in the northern state of Sonora, Mexico, and possibly the OT in Mixtec of Jicaltepec. Pray for the ASM team at Que Todos Oigan studio as they continue recording the OT in Nahuatl, and the Pentateuch in two Zapotec translations in the Isthmus of Oaxaca.

21. Tuesday: Sharing Testimonies of God at Work

Praise God for opportunities to share testimonies at several partnering churches this month. Pray for God to raise up more laborers for His harvest field (Luke 10:2), excited to pray, give, and share God's Word!

22. Wednesday: New Harvest Farm in Mozambique

Pray for the nine team members working at New Harvest Farm in Mozambique, and for Chad as he leads the team. Pray they could make the most of the short rainy season to establish more test plots to serve the community with their Bible-based agricultural training program.

23. Thursday: Giving Thanks Together

"Come, let us sing for joy to the Lord; let us shout aloud to the Rock of our salvation. Let us come before Him with thanksgiving and extol Him with music and song. For the Lord is the great God, the great King above all gods ... Come, let us bow down in worship, let us kneel before the Lord our Maker; for He is our God and we are the people of His pasture, the flock under His care." (Psalm 95:1-3, 6-7, NIV). Happy Thanksgiving!

24. Friday: Bible Distribution in South Asia

Praise God for increased audio Bible distribution in an unreached people group, through an ASM partner in South Asia. Pray for those hearing God's Word and Bible stories in their own heart language, that their minds and hearts will be open to the truth of the Gospel. (Luke 24:45)

25. Saturday: Safe Travels on Treacherous Roads

Pray for safety as the Compassionate Care Team in Mozambique navigates precarious roads this rainy season. The potential for mud and further deterioration of the roads make travel dangerous and difficult.

26. Sunday: Perseverance in Difficult Places

Jesus promised that His followers would face persecution, but He would be with us (John 15:20). Pray for Gospel opportunities and God's strength for ASM's national partners facing persecution on several fronts.

27. Monday: Growing With God in Central Mozambique

Pray for the "Growing with God" program taking place in the village of Mapisse. This training program brings Biblical truth and agricultural techniques to provide a holistic outreach to the subsistence farmers in the area. Pray for open hearts and minds as the 70 participants apply God's Word in their homes and fields.

28. Tuesday: Giving Tuesday—Provision to Share God's Word

"The truth is, that it is beyond the realm of possibilities that one has the ability to out-give God"—Charles Spurgeon. Today, on Giving Tuesday, pray that God would use His people to pour out His generosity so that more funding is available to record and distribute the Bible in audio and provide Bible Engagement training.

29. Wednesday: Web-Based Training Tools

Pray for wisdom for Tara as she develops an online curriculum and materials for Bible Engagement training, and for the ASM team as they leverage web-based learning tools to equip more people. Pray these tools will help prepare many new leaders to share God's Word through Story-centric Discipleship.

30. Thursday: Old Testament Recordings Needed

There are no completed *entire Old Testament* recordings yet in the indigenous languages of Mexico, but the Lokers are preparing for several in 2024. Pray for the logistics of scheduling such lengthy projects. Also, pray for additional qualified recordists who can travel to remote locations.

