

CMCUS Circle of Prayer: April 2025

Upcoming Events

Please pray for our staff on these key dates!

April 4-11: Group vision trip to the Balkans for those considering ministry in the region April 22-24: Christar staff at The Gospel Coalition conference

Inner Circle Requests

Praise God for all who've listened to the Christar podcast, <u>Mobilizing the Gospel</u>! Pray for ongoing wisdom in producing episodes that help listeners better understand the opportunities and challenges of cross-cultural ministry and that equip them to participate in the Great Commission.

Lift up workers in transition as they seek to discern God's will regarding future ministry options.

Pray for wisdom in preparing for the July RENEW debriefing retreat for workers on home assignment, especially in reworking the schedule to hold this event off site.

Ask the Lord to give us wisdom and patience as we implement a new payroll system.

Pray for U.S. director Jim as he travels throughout North America and Europe this month. Pray he will connect well and be an encouragement as he interacts with Christar workers in seven locations.

Pray for wisdom as the Christar U.S. Board of Trustees searches for new nominees.

Ask that Christar staff participating in The Gospel Coalition conference will connect well with many individuals and churches interested in ministry among the least-reached.

Pray for energy, discipline and clarity for the applicants who are finishing forms and submitting references with the goal of participating in New Personnel Orientation in June.

Ask the Lord to give abundant grace to appointees saying goodbye to family and friends as they prepare to leave for the field.

Continue to pray for our incoming treasurer as he transitions into this new role.

Praise the Lord that the <u>Ministry Expansion Kit</u>, a set of resources to help cross-cultural workers access the help of skilled volunteers, was launched on March 17! Pray that this kit will help workers from many organizations utilize the help of skilled professionals so they can serve more effectively.

Pray Together With XCHRISTAR

Join us in prayer for these needs from partners in the Great Commission.

For Cross-Cultural Workers

Pray for wisdom for workers in the Far East regarding how to distribute a series of recorded Bible stories in the local language, voiced by native speakers.

Rejoice that God has grown a group of spiritual seekers in a Muslim community in the United States into a gathering of believers who are serving others and sharing their faith. Pray for continued wisdom for workers in discipling them.

Ask the Lord to provide a meeting place for a church plant in France.

Praise God for eight Persians in the United Kingdom who were recently baptized! Pray that each one will continue to grow in faith and introduce others to Jesus.

Lift up those in Southeast Asia who've received MP4 players loaded with gospel-focused content. Pray they will watch the videos these players contain and that God will give them the desire to learn more about Jesus.



For Missions-Minded Believers

Praise God for college students who are being mentored in sharing the gospel with Muslims by workers in a South Asian community in the United States. As they practice what they're learning, ask the Lord to lead them to people who are spiritually open.

Ask God to provide a local pastor for a church in Japan.

Lift up a giver who is living with severe nerve pain and muscle weakness due to peripheral neuropathy. Ask God to ease his suffering and give him grace and peace daily.

Ask God to raise up local believers in the Middle East to step into ministry roles in communities where cross-cultural workers have been forced to leave.

Pray for wisdom and opportunities for a national pastor in the Balkans interested in reaching the Deaf in his community.

For Partner Churches

Ask God to prompt more members of a church in Massachusetts to get involved in missions and fill the gaps left after its missions director moved away.

Lift up a Maryland church seeking to increase its efforts to reach the international population in its neighborhood. Ask the Lord to provide good opportunities for ministry and guide members of the church to participate.

Praise the Lord for the century-old congregation in California that's rediscovering what "sending" means as a new generation responds to their role in the Great Commission! Ask Him to guide them as they seek to be involved in His global work.

Pray for wisdom for the leadership team at another partner church in Maryland as they consider purchasing a church building from a declining congregation and using it as a campus.

Ask the Lord to guide a New Jersey congregation as it looks for short-term opportunities that would be a good fit for its members.

For the CMCUS*

Praise God for the launch of the Christar podcast, Mobilizing the Gospel! Pray it will help listeners better understand the opportunities and challenges of cross-cultural ministry and equip them to participate in the Great Commission.

Pray for ongoing wisdom for CMCUS leadership in forming plans and making decisions.

Lift up the CMCUS staff preparing for New Personnel Orientation and Pre-Departure Orientation in June. Ask the Lord to work through the many details and logistics to enable us to equip and encourage new workers well.

Ask God to provide a volunteer team to assist with child care at an upcoming debriefing retreat for Christar workers.

Continue to pray that God will bring a total of 60 new potential candidates interested in serving with Christar through New Personnel Orientation this year.