

Faith

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Guide for Praying for the World

- 1. Start with Thanksgiving:** Begin by expressing gratitude to God for His love, salvation, and the gift of the Gospel. Acknowledge His sovereignty and thank Him for the opportunity to be part of His mission in the world.
- 2. Pray for the Spread of the Gospel:** Ask God to open doors for the Gospel to reach every corner of the earth. Pray for the message of Christ to be heard and accepted in places where it has not yet reached or has been resisted.
- 3. Intercede for Missionaries and Evangelists:** Lift up those who have dedicated their lives to spreading the Gospel. Pray for their safety, effectiveness, and for open hearts among the people they reach. Ask God to provide them with the resources, both spiritual and material, they need.
- 4. Seek Guidance for the Church:** Pray for the global Church, that it may be a shining light of Christ's love. Ask God to guide its leaders and members in effectively witnessing and living out the Gospel in their communities.
- 5. Empowerment of Believers:** Pray for believers worldwide to be emboldened and equipped to share their faith. Ask God to use each follower of Christ in unique ways to spread His message, whether in their local communities or beyond.
- 6. Pray for Unity and Love:** Request that God fosters unity among Christians around the globe, enabling them to work together in spreading the Gospel. Pray that their actions would be marked by Christ-like love and compassion.
- 7. Ask for God's Will in Expanding His Kingdom:** As Jesus modeled, submit to God's will, asking Him to use His people to expand His kingdom on earth. Pray for a global awakening to the truth of the Gospel and for many to come to know Christ as their Savior.
- 8. Pray for Global Issues with a Gospel Perspective:** Intercede for peace, justice, healing, and reconciliation in the world, asking God to use these challenges as opportunities for the Gospel to bring hope and transformation.
- 9. Closing with Praise:** End your prayer by praising God for His ongoing work in the world and the promise of His kingdom's ultimate fulfillment.

Prayer Request:

Pastor Paul has been a part of the Malian workers among the Wassulu since the group's origin. For decades, he was a staunch Muslim, and he has lived his adult life away from the Wassulu region, but his relationship with God through Jesus Christ gave him a deep passion for sharing the gospel. Paul, now age 70, is "old" for a Malian man and has had more health issues in recent years, making the village trips more difficult as well as affecting his daily quality of life. Most recently, he needed extensive dental work, for which support was provided by the Lord. Pray today for Paul as he heals, as well as for his wife and family. His desire and prayer to the Lord is to continue actively sharing and teaching until he is 80, including in the Wassulu villages. Please ask for God to grant mercy in Paul's life physically and also spiritually, as he hopes for a long, fruitful life for God's purposes.

Prayer Chart:

PRAYER STEP	Focus for Pastor Paul and the Wassulu People
1. Thanksgiving	Thank God for His work in Pastor Paul's life, his conversion from Islam, and his dedication to spreading the Gospel among the Wassulu people.
2. SPREAD OF THE GOSPEL	Pray for the effective spread of the Gospel in the Wassulu regions of Mali, Guinea, and Côte d'Ivoire, and for the hearts of the people to be receptive.
3. MISSIONARIES AND EVANGELISTS	Ask for strength, health, and continued zeal for Pastor Paul as he evangelizes; pray for other workers in the field to be supported and encouraged.
4. GUIDANCE FOR THE CHURCH	Seek God's guidance for the local churches in these regions to be beacons of Christ's love, especially in predominantly Muslim areas.
5. EMPOWERMENT OF BELIEVERS	Pray for the Wassulu believers to be strengthened in their faith and to become effective witnesses to their communities.
6. UNITY AND LOVE	Request unity among Christian believers in the area, transcending cultural and denominational barriers, to effectively collaborate in God's mission.
7. GOD'S WILL IN EXPANDING HIS KINGDOM	Submit to God's will for the growth of His kingdom in the Wassulu region, praying for a spiritual awakening and a strong local church presence.
8. GLOBAL ISSUES WITH A GOSPEL PERSPECTIVE	Intercede for peace and reconciliation in the region, and for the Gospel to bring transformation in the midst of various challenges.
9. CLOSING WITH PRAISE	Praise God for His ongoing work among the Wassulu people and for His providence in Pastor Paul's life and ministry.

Example Prayer:

Heavenly Father,

Thanksgiving: We come before You with hearts filled with gratitude for Your work in Pastor Paul's life. Thank You for transforming him from a staunch Muslim to a fervent follower of Christ. We praise You for his dedication to spreading Your Gospel among the Wassulu people of Mali, Guinea, and Côte d'Ivoire.

Spread of the Gospel: Lord, we pray for the effective spread of Your Gospel in the Wassulu regions. May Your Word reach every corner, and may the hearts of the people be open and receptive to Your truth.

Missionaries and Evangelists: We ask for Your strength, health, and continued zeal for Pastor Paul as he carries Your Word. Uphold him in his evangelistic efforts, and grant him healing and renewed vigor. Bless and encourage other workers in the field, providing them with the resources and support they need.

Guidance for the Church: Guide the local churches in these areas to be strong witnesses of Your love, especially amidst a predominantly Muslim context. Empower them to be beacons of Your light, showing Christ's love through their actions and words.

Empowerment of Believers: Strengthen the Wassulu believers in their faith. Equip them to be effective witnesses in their communities, sharing the hope and salvation found in You.

Unity and Love: We pray for unity among Christian believers in the Wassulu region. Break down cultural and denominational barriers, enabling them to work together in harmony for the advancement of Your kingdom.

God's Will in Expanding His Kingdom: We submit to Your will, Lord, and ask for a spiritual awakening in the Wassulu region. May Your kingdom grow, and may a strong, vibrant local church presence be established.

Global Issues with a Gospel Perspective: Intercede, O God, in the midst of conflicts and challenges in the Wassulu region. May Your Gospel bring peace, reconciliation, and transformation to these communities.

Closing with Praise: We praise You, O Lord, for Your ongoing work among the Wassulu people. Thank You for Your providence in Pastor Paul's life and ministry. We trust in Your continued guidance and blessing upon him and his mission.

In Jesus' Name, Amen.