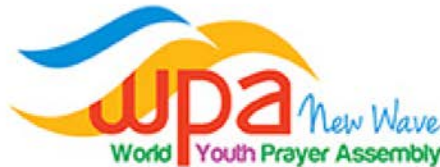


International Prayer Connections

A Monthly Journal to Guide Intercession for Our World



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Greetings!

We are pleased to bring you IPC Connections for July 2020.

In this month's edition, we are bringing you an inspiring editorial article entitled 'The knowledge of the Glory of the Lord' written by Dr Jason Hubbard, our Executive Coordinator. In it, he encourages and teaches us about our role as 'messengers of the hope' that we all have through Christ's Glory (Hab 2:14). Our Hope is in Christ Alone, Amen! Do [download](#) the full article from our website.

In the midst of a global pandemic, we have seen a massive increase in prayer and unity in the body of Christ. It has been astounding to watch so many come together in an expression of John 17 'oneness' across nations, denominations, and generations for the fulfillment of the Great Commission. Only Jesus gets the credit. He is the One who is leading the global prayer and mission's movements.

Jason has prepared a dynamic narrative report with details on the various global initiatives that have taken place between [Passover and Pentecost 2020](#). These are exciting statistics to read that suggest a huge shift towards prayer and massive numbers seeking (and sharing) the Hope that we have in Jesus. Global Voice of Prayer have compiled a short review video of some of the impacts and testimonies of our various partner networks during Pentecost. Feel free to view it [here](#).

Let's continue to be [praying](#) for the [GO2020](#) initiative which seeks to reach 1 billion worldwide for Christ!

[Watch the GO 2020 Video](#) | [Download the Brochure](#) | [Download the July Prayer Guide](#)

The vision and mission of GO2020 continues with the [90 Days of HOPE](#) which runs through to August 2020, which encourages us to continue to put our prayers into action with evangelism and sharing our faith. [Download the Flyer Here](#)

The covid-19 pandemic has just passed 10 million identified infections worldwide. The situation has brought massive challenges to every nation of the world. In this edition, we bring some top level updates, prayers and links to partner organisations resources. Many of us are assisting brothers and sisters who are serving the Lord as pastors and mission workers in lesser-



developed countries. As well as praying, we are conscious of a massive humanitarian impact that the lockdowns are causing that demands our practical and sacrificial [financial responses](#).

Holy Spirit

*Holy Spirit, from creation's birth,
Giving life to all that God has made,
Show Your power once again on earth;
Cause Your church to hunger for Your ways.
Let the fragrance of our prayers arise.
Lead us on the road of sacrifice
That in unity the face of Christ
Will be clear for all the world to see.*



This 'collab' arrangement of the song [Holy Spirit](#) – by Keith Getty and Stuart Townend was put together for Pentecost Sunday 2020 by IPC colleague Andy Page along with friends from Christ Church, Weston-super-Mare, UK. It nicely weaves in the 'Gabriel's Oboe' theme from the film - 'The Mission' as the intro. At a time when we could perhaps be a little overwhelmed with the prayer needs of the nations, let's be encouraged as we listen to this beautiful ensemble singing these affirming words. Click this link to play it: <https://youtu.be/bJDc0MKMfxY>

We are keen to get to know our 'network of networks' better and to understand how we can best keep you connected and informed. Over the next ten days, we will be emailing all of our contacts to invite you to let us know a little more about you and your organisation. The info that you provide will only be used by IPC. We won't be selling or sharing it with anyone else. We will be providing 2 free gifts to say thank you for responding. Thank you in advance for your participation!

International Prayer Connections is produced and distributed freely each month to inform God's praying people around the world. We are grateful to those who have given generously to enable this to happen and continue to need such support for this and our other transformational prayer initiatives.

If you can make a gift towards our costs by giving to our funding arm, the Transformation Prayer Foundation, we would appreciate it. Please [click here](#).

Thank you for continuing to partner with us in catalysing united prayer across nations, denominations, movements, and generations for the fulfilment of the Great Commission.

May we express grateful thanks to Andy Page and the IPC Editorial Team who put this email together each month.

Wishing you His continued blessings,

Jason Hubbard - Executive Coordinator
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Editorial

01 Editorial: The Knowledge of the Glory of the Lord – Dr Jason Hubbard

Isaiah Declared It!

Isaiah 11:9 (ESV), “They shall not hurt or destroy in all my holy mountain; for the earth shall be full of the knowledge of the LORD as the waters cover the sea”

Our Hope is rooted in the promise that the earth will be ‘full of knowing the Lord as the waters cover the sea by filling it to the fullness of it’s capacity. The premise is that everywhere God will be present and in every place the knowledge of him will be enjoyed to it’s fullest expression!

Habakkuk Repeated It!

Habakkuk 2:14 (ESV), “For the earth will be filled with the knowledge of the glory of the LORD as the waters cover the sea”

Habakkuk was complaining to the Lord, asking the Lord why he was allowing evildoers to judge his people? God’s answer to Habakkuk’s complaint settled it. God works in the world to accomplish his purpose, but God’s purpose goes beyond simply punishing the wicked. God desires that all the world know him. The final verse of the third woe gives an uplifting and positive element to the woes. God will work to make himself known in all the earth. In Hebrew thought “knowledge” means more than information. “Knowledge is seen in fundamentally relational terms.

To know God is to be in a right relationship with him, with characteristics of love, trust, respect, and open communication. Knowing involved intimacy and experience, being used in its most fundamental sense to describe the marriage relationship. For the earth to be filled with the knowledge of the glory of the Lord involved knowing God rather than simply knowing about God. Not to know God for Israel and for the nations invited His judgment (Ps 79:6; Jer 10:25), which was the context here in Habakkuk.

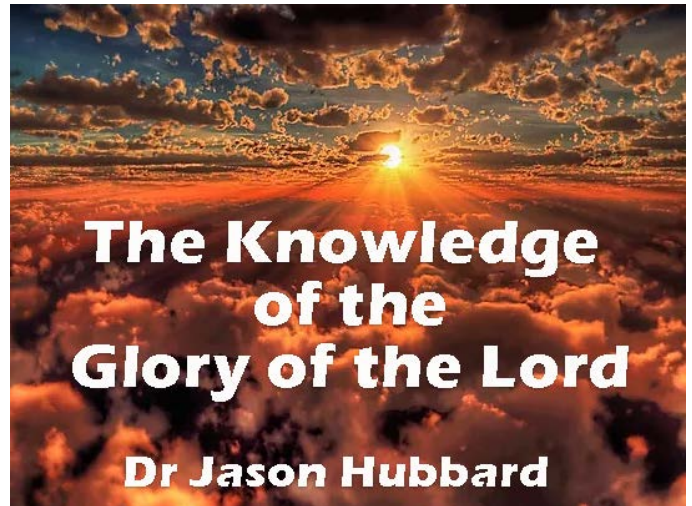
Jeremiah also pictured a knowledge of the Lord coming in a New Covenant that transcended geographical borders or conventional barriers (Jer 31:31–34).

Ezekiel repeatedly uses the recognition formula, “and you shall know that I am Yahweh” to show that all God is doing has divine purpose behind it. That purpose is to introduce himself to Israel and to the nations.

In the Old Testament “glory” is a “technical term for God’s manifest presence” (see Exod 16:7), or his “revealed excellence” often connected with the cloud (Exod 16:10) and with the Ark of the Covenant. It was represented as a consuming fire (Exod 24:17). All the earth would be filled with the knowledge of the manifest presence of God.

Israel expected God’s glory to fill their place of worship (Exod 40:34, 35; 1 Kgs 8:11; 2 Chr 7:1–2; Ezek 10:4; 43:5; 44:4). Habakkuk joined a prophetic chorus calling for more. God’s glory should be recognized as filling the entire universe (Num 14:21; Ps 72:19; Isa 6:3), letting all the people of the world experience and respond to God’s manifest, weighty presence. The prophet wanted the knowledge of God to be as pervasive as the waters that fill the seas. For Christian believers the verse takes in mind and heart to the work of Christ, who came into the world to make God known in the most unique way possible (cf. John 1:14; Eph 1:17). Through Christ the earth will be filled with the knowledge of the glory of the Lord.

David Sang It!



Psalms 72:19 (ESV), “Blessed be his glorious name forever; may the whole earth be filled with his glory! Amen and Amen!”

Psalms 22:27 (ESV), “All the ends of the earth shall remember and turn to the LORD, and all the families of the nations shall worship before you”

For David, the whole earth would be filled with God’s glory in the context of worship-saturated prayer in the ‘tent’ or ‘tabernacle of David’ David, the man after God’s heart (1 Sam. 13:14; Acts 13:22) saw the intimate details of God’s dwelling place in heaven –the perfection of beauty (Ps. 50:2; 119:96), along with its’ governmental order of worship around His throne (1 Chr. 28:11-19). David was commanded to replicate this liturgical pattern on earth (2 Chr. 29:25). The heavenly order of worship that David received by revelation was God-centered (Ps. 27:4), relational (Ps. 149:3-4), continual (1 Chr. 9:33), musical (1 Chr. 15-16), and antiphonal or responsive (Neh. 12:8-9, 24).

Due to David’s all-consuming desire to dwell in God’s immediate presence within the heavenly temple (Ps. 27:4; 28:2), he vowed to establish a dwelling place for God on the earth, as it is in heaven (Ps. 132; Mt. 6:10). Around 1000 BC, David set the Ark in the tabernacle that he pitched for it in Jerusalem (2 Sam. 6; 1 Chr. 16:1), where he employed 4000 musicians (1 Chr. 23:5) and 288 singers (1 Chr. 25:7) to minister to God in day and night prayer with worship, as a full time occupation (1 Chr. 16:37). Thus began the “Davidic order” of worship with prophetic music and singing, centered on encountering God’s beauty, as it is in heaven.

David’s Song is found in 1 Chronicles 16:8-36. Throughout the song there are multiple verses related to all the earth and the nations. About a third of the verses in David’s song had to do with the nations or publishing the Good News. For example, the very first verse of the song (v. 8) reads: "Give thanks to the Lord and proclaim his greatness. Let the whole world know what he has done" (NLT). Verse 9 continues “Tell everyone about his wonderful deeds.” Note also verses 23-24; 29-31;35-36.

Malachi Proclaimed It!

Malachi 1:11 (ESV), “For from the rising of the sun to its setting my name will be great among the nations, and in every place incense will be offered to my name, and a pure offering. For my name will be great among the nations, says the LORD of hosts”

Malachi proclaimed that from the rising of the sun to the place where it sets, the name of the Lord will be made great! He proclaimed that in every place on the earth, incense (prayers of God’s people) will be offered to his name together with a pure offering of worship! And again the purpose was so the ‘Name’ of the Lord of Hosts would be made great in the nations of the earth!

Read the full article on our website, or [download the PDF HERE](#)

As messengers of Hope may we ...

Seek Jesus more fully for all He is by how we pursue and encounter him through prayer which leads us to Savor Jesus more fully for all He is by how we praise him and treasure him in worship which leads us to Speak of Jesus more fully for all He is by how you talk about him with other believers which leads us to Show Jesus more fully for all He is by how you imitate him in word and deed -which leads us to Serve Jesus more fully for all He is by how you minister to others for his sake -which leads us to Share Jesus more fully for all He is by how we introduce unbelievers to him as Lord and Savior!

For the Supremacy of Christ in all things,

Dr Jason Hubbard
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Prayers for the World

02 Covid-19 Pandemic Prayer Update

A prayer report looking at Covid-19 Hot Spots, Flattening the Curve, and Hopes for a Vaccine with links to resources.

As of 1st July, the total global figure for people infected by Covid-19 stands at 10.3 million according to the [World Health Organisation](#). In addition, the current death toll stands at over 500,000.

Covid-19 hot spots



Brazil has been hugely impacted due to a blend of inconsistent and incoherent rules, and economic inequality making access to healthcare difficult for poorer citizens. This has given the country the highest number of deaths globally over recent weeks and second in confirmed cases. To make matters worse, the true number of cases is likely much higher due to their low rate of testing with [a study by the University of Sao Paulo Medical School](#) estimating that the true rate of infection is 15 times greater.

[Elsewhere in South America](#) Chile, French Guiana, and Peru have recorded among the top 10 countries in the world for confirmed cases per 100,000 population despite stricter lockdown restrictions than Brazil's.

These statistics may be in part explained by differing test rates between countries [making international comparisons](#) difficult. The same issue applies to how deaths are recorded in different countries.

The US has the most confirmed cases in the world, growing to almost 2.6 million as a result of a recent big increase in the rate of infection in southern and western states after many regions loosened lockdown restrictions prematurely.

Over Europe the rate of infection has stabilised to a confirmed case number of 130,000 per week; half of the rate at its peak of the virus. Hotspots on the continent can be found in Russia where the new daily cases remain around 7,000, and with smaller regional outbreaks within the likes of Ukraine, UK, France, and Germany.

Other countries around the world struggling to contain the virus include India, South Africa, and Saudi Arabia, where the numbers of new cases and deaths are strongly rising.
Has the curve flattened?

In some countries around the world where good social distancing has been practised, masks worn where necessary, efficient testing and quarantining has taken place, and test-and-trace systems have been implemented, the rate of infection has been shown to fall and in some places be reduced to 0. This has been fully enacted by small countries and island nations and has seen positive results from larger countries such as New Zealand, [Taiwan, and Iceland](#) where the virus was once prominent.

In other countries, there has been impatience during lockdown, not waiting long enough for case rates to fall before reopening. This prevents a reduced rate of transmission, which doesn't work towards the eradication of the virus. Through further restlessness and more easing of lockdown restrictions, the rate of

transmission has increased again producing a so-called '[second spike](#)' as shown by the recent dramatic increase in cases in the US or Iran.

The efforts that have been put in place by countries all over the world have reduced the impacts of the virus, though. Without the measures such as social distancing designed to reduce transmission, the new numbers of cases would likely not have dropped, and the death toll would have been much higher by now.

Vaccine update

[Two drugs have received emergency use authorisation](#) from the Food and Drug Administration for use in clinical trials on patients to test their effectiveness in treating coronavirus. The first of these, hydroxychloroquine, had this authorisation removed after studies showed the drug not to be effective, and the second, remdesivir is awaiting data. It will likely be months before a treatment drug can be proven, and longer before it can be widespread.

Numerous vaccine trials are taking place around the world including one [produced by the University of Oxford](#) taking place in Brazil with 5,000 participants, and a smaller [trial in Germany](#) generating positive results in its initial phases.

Let us continue to declare that the novel coronavirus is defeated by the blood of Jesus.

We pray for divine intervention and for God's name to be glorified even as each nation and government tries its best to flatten the curve and finally arrest this epidemic.

We release wisdom, skill, and integrity upon our leaders.

We pray for protection, wisdom and strength, for those working to bring treatment and comfort to the sick and their families.

We pray special grace and help for the vulnerable population and nations. We pray for refugees and displaced peoples. We pray against domestic violence and other crimes that have become rampant during lockdowns.

We pray for a safe, effective, and affordable vaccine to be released soonest.

We continue to release faith, hope, and love over the peoples of the world. May the Church seize this opportune time to manifest Jesus our Lord and Savior to those who are seeking answers and peace.

Pray: Lord God, the One who has Almighty power, we agree according to your promise in Matthew 18:18-20 that this virus will be stopped in its tracks. That the medical researchers will get a download from Heaven on how to quickly develop a vaccine to counteract COVID-19 and a cure for those who have become infected.

We also agree in prayer, asking that the Body of Christ worldwide will rise up in love and boldness, trusting in your blood to cover and protect us and throwing off fear, so that we can be available to serve, bless, and bear witness to those around us who are terrified and depressed at being infected.

Let us seize this unprecedented opportunity to make you known to those without hope in Christ!

Thank you for your promise that surely, you will be with us "always, even to the very end of the age" so that we can carry on with the mission you have given us for our world (Matthew 28:20).

Join in Online Prayers:

[World Prayer Centre, Birmingham, UK – Virtual House of Prayer](#)

[iHop Kansas Prayer Room](#)

[247 Prayer Coronavirus Prayer Room](#)

Additional Prayer Resources for Coronavirus

[A coronavirus prayer from Pete Greig](#)

[19 Things to Do in response to Coronavirus](#)

[Prophecy Today UK's Responses to Coronavirus](#)

[PrayerCast Video and Prayer Briefing](#)
[CSM Nigeria Article](#)
[Lausanne Resources](#)
[Operation World EBook on the impact on Mission](#)

[WW11 Veteran Gets 180k Praying](#)

Reporting from John Hopkins University: <https://coronavirus.jhu.edu/data/mortality>

Further data on Europe and the world: <https://www.ecdc.europa.eu/en/geographical-distribution-2019-ncov-cases>

03 Afghanistan: Covid Crisis amidst increasing attacks

This prayer update is based on input from a contact of IPC's who is living in the region...

Thank you for your faithful prayers for Afghanistan.

COVID-19 spreads like wildfire and it looks like the whole country is penetrated by this virus. We received reports that it has now reached the mountainous areas whereas it was mostly contained in the larger cities.

Many people are dying because of lack of medical facilities. People are poor and cannot afford to buy [oxygen cylinders](#). A big number of brothers and sisters, expats and locals have become quite seriously ill. Some are also suffering from tiredness, anxiety and depression.



Deborah Lyons, Head of the [United Nations](#) Assistance Mission in Afghanistan ([UNAMA](#)), told the Security Council on Thursday that the novel [coronavirus](#) outbreak is casting "a huge shadow" over Afghan daily life. Under the leadership of the Afghan government, the United Nations is supporting a coordinated response that includes setting up a nationwide network of laboratories and the provision of personal protective equipment, she said.

Pray that the desperately needed medical aid will reach as far as the rural hospitals and clinics. Pray that sufficient oxygen can be supplied to relieve the suffering of all of the patients, regardless of circumstances.

The other great challenge is the strong attacks of Taliban and ISIS against the army and police. They killed and wounded over 400 soldiers in one week. The National Security Council called it the bloodiest week in 19 years.
<https://aje.io/q3gru>

Please continue to pray for an end of the fighting and that the Taliban and ISIS movements would come to an end. Despite these attacks, the U.S. government is committed to withdraw their troops.

Pray that Afghans in their great desperation would call on the Name of the Lord and will encounter and start to follow Him.

Pray also for continued boldness for those in the country to witness and share the gospel.

Sayed Mukhtar 13, an Afghan teenager who was [trained by the Taliban for a suicide attack](#), has surrendered to the Afghan security forces in Kunduz province, the Ministry of Interior said on Thursday.

The teenager claimed that he spent five years in a Taliban camp and pursued military education and tactics for suicide attacks. Sayed Mukhtar was due to detonate explosives strapped to his body in a marriage gathering two days ago, but he changed his mind and surrendered to the Afghan security forces.

“This is one of the examples of how the Taliban has resorted to such brutal acts over the past decade-and-a-half. they could have devastated tens of youngsters and youths,” said Tariq Aryan, a spokesman for the Ministry of Interior.

Pray that these despicable attacks will be stopped in their tracks and for the youngsters who have been brainwashed – that they will reject the instructions to cause devastation and the loss of innocent lives, like Sayed did.

UN Article More: <https://news.un.org/en/story/2020/06/1067162>

04 Syria: Top UN officials report ‘shocking’ scale of suffering

The UN chief called on the world to step up “financial, humanitarian and political commitments”, to help end nearly a decade of brutal conflict and suffering across Syria, in a video message delivered to the fourth Brussels Donor Conference on Tuesday.

“After nearly a decade of war and economic hardship, the scale of suffering remains shocking”, said [Secretary-General António Guterres](#).



The conference received pledges of \$5.5 billion in funding, to support humanitarian, resilience and development activities in 2020, and \$2.2 billion for crisis response in 2021 and beyond. In addition, multilateral development banks and bilateral donors pledged up to \$6.7 billion in loans.

Hundreds of thousands of people have been killed; half the pre-war population, or over 12 million Syrians, are displaced, including 5.6 million who fled the country; millions are going hungry or are malnourished; and 90 per cent of the population lives in poverty.

And all of this is being further compounded by the [coronavirus](#).

UN in solidarity

Currently over 11 million Syrians need emergency assistance just to survive, many of whom rely solely on the UN and its humanitarian partners. “We provide life-saving food, healthcare, sanitation facilities, education and protection services, to millions of Syrians every month”, the UN chief said. “We help to address their trauma and provide legal advice so they can start to rebuild their lives” – all of which depends on “generous” donor support.

Since only “a political solution can end the suffering in Syria”, he urged “all those with influence” to help Syrians find common ground.

Downward spiral

Emergency Relief Coordinator Mark Lowcock [noted](#) that the Syrian crisis is “approaching the length of the combination” of the two World Wars, as it wreaks havoc and acute economic strain across the region. He painted a gloomy picture of the Syrian economy in “a dramatic downturn” with prices of essential food, medicines and fuel “soaring” as the Syrian pound “fell to a record low against the US dollar this month”.

The UN official cited estimates from the World Food Programme ([WFP](#)) in revealing that an “unprecedented level” of 9.3 million people there are food insecure and almost half a million children suffer from stunting, a consequence of malnutrition.

“And now we have COVID-19, which has the potential to cause much more suffering and loss, with preparations to tackle it inside Syria wholly inadequate in the light of the degrading of the health system through the years of crisis”, added the humanitarian coordinator.

Mr. Lowcock elaborated on how the UN was supporting the situation on the ground, including by providing food assistance to more than 3.2 million people; nutrition support for half a million children; critical water and sanitation for 1.3 million people; and four million medical procedures.

“The humanitarian assistance we provide across Syria and in the region depends on the generous support of the States and constituencies represented here”, he flagged.

Stolen educations

Noting that “one of the most tragic consequences of the horror story of the last decade has been the robbing of millions of children of their right to a decent education”, he foresaw major long-term consequences, “for more than fifty years”.

“One of the major challenges is funding”, Mr. Lowcock said and asked donors to prioritize pledges to the education of these children, saying it is “in your own interests, but most importantly in theirs”.

‘Unlocking’ a political process

Syrian Special Envoy Geir O. Pedersen reiterated his call for “a nationwide ceasefire”, along with the need to be vigilant about [COVID-19](#), the importance of [resolution 2254](#), which calls for a ceasefire and political settlement, and the challenges posed by groups listed as terrorists by the Security Council.

Moreover, he again appealed for the Syrian Government and other parties to “carry out large-scale, unilateral releases of detainees and abductees, and meaningful actions on the missing persons”. Mr. Pedersen expressed his hope that the Syrian-led, Syrian-owned Constitutional Committee facilitated by the UN in Geneva “will be able to meet on a regular basis throughout the rest of the year”.

Acknowledging that a constitutional discussion would not address the full range of dire realities Syrians grapple with, he maintained that the Committee’s work can be “a door-opener to unlock a broader political process”

Pray: For a negotiated ceasefire and a political settlement.

Pray: With thanks for the pledges of loans and donations to support the humanitarian aid, education and covid-19 relief efforts. May further funds be released to scale up all of these initiatives.

Pray: for the organisations delivering the aid and medical assistance, for protection, good health and free access to those who need their help.

Pray: For the many people who have been displaced by this war, that they will find safe refuge amidst the challenges and hardships.

Pray: for the UN and countries with influence, that they will bring about lasting peace to Syria and the region.

More: <https://news.un.org/en/story/2020/06/1067482>

05 An Urgent Call to Pray for the United States of America

Conveyed by Brad Long of Presbyterian Reformed Ministries

The United States of America is at a historic inflection point, transcending the political sphere. From where we stand in the present moment, you and I are in the hour of a great move of God and the hour of the power of great evil



being unleashed against it. It is the role of the intercessor to stand in the gap and pray through God's will for the discipling of the nations.

America is a center of the spiritual battle right now with global consequences for the nations and for the advancement of the Kingdom of God. Rejoice with us in the opportunity given by the Holy Spirit to intercessors from all nations to uphold the United States and its leaders during its time of crisis!

A Call to Prayer for the USA

The Lord is calling intercessors to pray for the Holy Spirit to Anoint Key People in the Trump Administration to be the Means of National Healing and the Restoration of the United States of America to the Best of its Founding Principles.

After the prayer call on June 4, 2020, I felt that there was a shift in the heavenlies. Space has been made for national leaders, called by God for such a time as this, to step into an anointed role, not only to restore the foundations of liberty and equality before God upon which the nation of the United States was founded, but to pray the prophetic dream of Martin Luther King Jr. into fulfillment. We are invited to intercede for the constraining hand of the Holy Spirit against anarchy at high levels that would destroy that order, and for the emerging move of the Holy Spirit beyond merely restoring order, a move that is sure to bring deep healing to the racial and political divides in the nation.

I felt the Holy Spirit giving me a break and was very peaceful as I went to sleep. However, as I was drifting off, the Holy Spirit fell on me and I started to speak in tongues, and over and over again I heard the Lord saying to me, "Your assignment has changed. Now you are to pray for the team that I am raising up around President Trump who will be anointed to bring healing to the nation."

Suggestions for Prayer

Let the Holy Spirit guide you as you pray, but here are some suggestions for prayer:

Pray that President Donald Trump would be, and continue to be, willingly, consciously, and humbly submitted to God and to God's law.

Pray that a recognition and Biblical fear of the Lord – the knowledge of the Glory of God prophesied in Habakkuk – would be established as the center of American society.

Pray that all ideologies seeking to dethrone God in the nation – left, right, or center – would be unable to gain any ground in the United States.

Pray for national healing to begin to happen as the United States of America discerns and restores the best principles stated in its founding documents.

Pray that God would continue to raise up truth-tellers – and truth lovers – among the media and those watching and listening in the United States and throughout the world.

Pray that the Word of God would be lifted high within the land and would become central to the hearts and lives of Americans.

Pray for the protection of the United States' form of government, and pray that the Lord would break the deceptions and thwart the intentions of those who would seek to replace that government with forms of tyranny.

Pray that all who curse would find themselves compelled instead to bless.

Pray that violent attacks against churches and synagogues in the land would come to an end and for there to be reverential respect for houses of worship.

So, I started praying into that, for the Lord to raise up the Aarons who can speak for President Donald Trump into this crisis and through them can come the means for healing the nation.

Well, the Lord showed me this picture and said, "These are the Aarons!! Pray that they with the President will be anointed to speak, as Aaron spoke for Moses."

Suggestions for Prayer

Let the Holy Spirit guide you as you pray, but here are some suggestions for prayer:

Pray for those the Lord has raised to advise and influence President Trump in this work of restoration and national healing, including: Mike Pence, Mike Pompeo, Ben Carson, William Barr, Mark Meadows, Kayleigh McEnany and others who are called but whose names we do not yet know.

Pray that the Lord would anoint them for the task to which he has called them.

Pray that, like Aaron, they would be able to articulate and communicate well.

Pray that the Lord would bring national healing through His words, that God as with Samuel would "let none of them fall to the ground," and for His works "laid out before the foundation of the World".

Brad Long

Presbyterian Reformed Ministries

More: <https://discernwith.us/an-urgent-call-to-pray-for-the-united-states-of-america>

06 Hong Kong - 'Heartbreaking' day as Beijing imposes national security law

Christian human rights campaigner Benedict Rogers has spoken of his heartache for the future of Hong Kong after Beijing passed the contentious national security law.

Rogers, East Asia Team Leader at Christian Solidarity Worldwide, said the passing of the legislation was "heartbreaking" and represented a "grave threat" to the freedoms of the territory.

The development, he added, has left Hong Kongers "in fear" for their future, safety and freedoms.

"Twenty-three years ago today, Hong Kong was handed over to China with the promise that Hong Kong's way of life, basic freedoms and the high degree of autonomy would be protected under the 'One Country, Two Systems' principle ... that is valid for the first 50 years after the handover until 2047," he said.



"And yet today, less than halfway through the lifespan of that promise, the Chinese Communist Party has flagrantly broken that promise to the people of Hong Kong and breached that international treaty.

"The imposition of the national security law on Hong Kong poses a grave threat to Hong Kong's basic freedoms, which have already been seriously eroded over recent years."

Rogers criticised the way in which the legislation was passed by China's National People's Congress rather than the Hong Kong legislature, saying it "seems to bring an end" to the high degree of autonomy promised to the region.

However, he went on to share a message of hope with the people of Hong Kong as he spoke of the "unexpected" victories that he had encountered in his many years of campaigning for human rights.

"Even though you may be entering into a period of great darkness and grave danger, do not lose hope," he said.

"History shows that no dictatorship lasts forever. I've been involved in other struggles for freedom and freedom has come sometimes when we don't even expect it. Unexpected victories, unexpected dawns come.

"I've seen countries freed [where] I didn't necessarily think [that] would happen. And I believe the same can happen for the people of Hong Kong, and for all the people of China."

Pray for the people of Hong Kong – that they will remain resilient amidst the pressures and uncertainties that this new law has imposed.

Pray for democracy, the 50 year promise and freedom of speech to be respected in Hong Kong.

Pray for the Christian clergy, many of whom have campaigned for the pro-democracy movement – that they will not be detained or put on trial.

See also:

<https://www.christiantoday.com/article/fears.for.hong.kong.clergy.under.beijing.national.security.law/135081.htm>

07 Caribbean Region - Urgent Prayer Requests & Online Camp

The following request was received through Maria Harbajan, IPC's Regional Director for the Caribbean:

1. URGENT Pray for Curacao.

Curacao is a Lesser Antilles island country in the southern Caribbean Sea about 65 km (40 mi) north of the Venezuelan coast.

The Nation has been under siege from within.

It began with mass demonstrations versus the Government over economic issues. They stormed the City and broke into the Government buildings. It has escalated with criminal elements now burning buildings all across the nation, attacking security facilities and threatening government officers.



Dutch troops were sent into the island to assist local police in keeping unrest in check, broadcaster NOS stated on Saturday. The move follows days of violent protests against Covid-19 layoffs which saw demonstrators looting stores and storming the government palace on the island.

The addition of Dutch troops to the island is expected to allow local authorities ease the 9:00 p.m. to 6:00 a.m curfew it has held in place in recent days. A reporter for the broadcaster said that there were dozens of fires set leading into the early morning hours of Saturday, and that the authorities seemed to have a difficult time preventing them from happening.

Unrest on the island was ignited on Wednesday after the local government announced that a number of garbage collectors on the island would be laid off. Protests ensued, which quickly turned into riots that culminated in the storming of the government center Fort Amsterdam on the island's capital city, Willemstad. In addition, large numbers of storefronts in Willemstad were looted, with fires being reported across the island.

A total of 48 people were arrested on Wednesday alone, many of whom were young people suspected of theft and vandalism. According to the local authorities, a number of gangs also took advantage of the chaos in order to run roughshod.

There was concern that the presence of the Dutch military might make matters worse with the imagery reminiscent of the island's history as a Dutch colony.

The Prime Minister has summoned a meeting with Pastor Bakhuis and the Council of Churches to meet with him.

Let's be in prayer that calm can be restored and financial assistance can be brokered for those whose livelihoods have been adversely affected by the pandemic.

Pray also for the over-stretched medical staff on the island as they handle the covid-19 situation.

More: <https://nltimes.nl/2020/06/27/dutch-deploy-troops-quell-curacao-riots>

2. Update on Guyana:

Beloved , Guyana now awaits judgement at the level of the Caribbean Court of Justice concerning the March 2 Elections results which are still pending.

The hearing will be on July 1st. Of course, we are looking to The Righteous Judge of all the Earth for His judgement. The stakes are great. The warfare Intense, lots of propaganda & misinformation.



We would greatly appreciate your prayer. Both major political parties have grieved the Lord. But God's will & purpose for us, a Church which has failed Him in many ways, is the important factor. We plead for His mercy.

3. Event: 'Intercessors at the Summit... Soaring like Eagles'

We have an Upcoming Intercessors Camp 2020 which is going ONLINE using Zoom. The theme will be: "Intercessors at the Summit...Soaring Like Eagles." Date: July 31 - Aug 1 2020 starting each day at 9am (Jamaican time).

More info will be available shortly at www.nipnoj.org

08 Malawi: Christian Opposition leader becomes president

Opposition leader Lazarus Chakwera has won Malawi's latest presidential race, defeating incumbent Peter Mutharika with 58.57% of the vote. Chakwera is a theologian, pastor and former President of the Malawi Assemblies of God.

Following his victory, the new president said the election — which was a rerun following last year's poll being scrapped due to voting irregularities — was "a win for democracy and justice". He is the first opposition leader in Northern sub-saharan Africa to win a voting rerun after a result has been overturned due to fraud or irregularity.

He said his heart was "bubbling with joy" at the result.



In his speech after being sworn in, Chakwera said: "Time has come for us to go beyond dreaming, time has come for us to wake up, to arise from slumber, and to make our dreams come true.

"With your help we will restore faith in having a government that serves; not a government that rules, a government that inspires, not a government that infuriates, a government that listens, not a government that shouts but a government that fights for you and not against you."

Mr Chakwera worked as an instructor at the Assemblies of God School of Theology from 1983 to 2000 before becoming the Principal in 1996. He was given the name Lazarus following the death of his two older brothers when they were infants -- convinced that his son was going to live, Chakwera's father named him after the Biblical character who was famously raised from the dead by Jesus Christ.

Speaking to the BBC after being sworn in on Sunday, Chakwera promised to unite the troubled African nation and root out government corruption.

He said: "There's no cause for fear because I will be your president and my policy for inclusivity means we are building a new Malawi for all of us. I'm not a president of a faction, I'm a president of everyone in the country. I want to provide leadership that makes everybody prosper, that deals decisively with corruption and theft of public funds and a leadership that will follow the rule of law."

The new president added: "I do feel like Lazarus, I've come back from the dead, it's been a long journey and we feel vindicated in a way."

Following his victory, on Twitter, he simply wrote: "Thank you, my Lord Jesus."

Praise God for the election of this Christian President who honours and publicly professes his faith in God. Pray that President Chakwera will quickly win the trust and confidence of all of the people of Malawi. Pray for God-given wisdom for Lazarus Chakwera as he appoints his government and implements his manifesto. Pray that the President will develop and strengthen the Malawi economy so the country will not need to depend on foreign aid.

Watch a video of Lazarus Chakwera telling his testimony to God's grace:

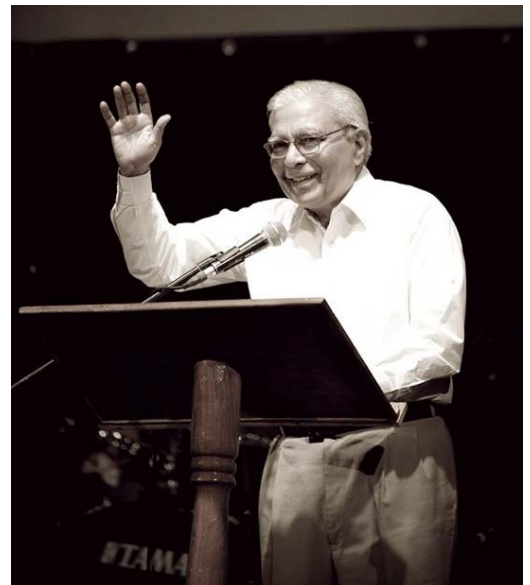
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=HhVXxgByaZk>

Prayer News & Events

09 (India) Tribute to Mr. M. Patrick Joshua (1939-2020)

He is affectionately called Patrick Annan; He accepted the Lord Jesus Christ as a child and went on to become a powerful intercessor even as a child. Filled with the baptism of the Holy Spirit, he operated in the gifts of the Holy Spirit especially in Words of Knowledge and Prophecy. I remember him saying that he prayed overnight and the Lord brought his mother back to life from the clutches of death.

He lived a very disciplined life of prayer and bible reading from his teenage days and would spend long hours in personal meditation of the word and prayer. He believed in a lifestyle of prayer, meditation of God's word, and simple, sacrificial living. His second son Jim Elliot died of Malaria in 1994 on the mission field in Jharkhand state, India. Jim was my friend at the university, and played a vital role in my life as a believer.



Mr. Joshua joined Friends Missionary Prayer Band (FMPB) almost from its inception and started serving in various capacities until he was appointed as General Secretary. With his rich experience and expertise, he was able to steer FMPB to new heights and was instrumental in making FMPB one of the most effective and successful indigenous missionary organizations with the highest number of missionaries serving in the remotest parts of India.

While serving in missions for decades, Patrick had a call and personal visitation from the Lord to unite the larger body of Christ for Prayer and Revival, hence the National Prayer Network was born in 2002.

God connected us supernaturally in the year 2002 after my call from the marketplace to ministry. I served along with him and the journey took both of us to around 300 plus cities and several nations to unite and trigger the passion of united prayer and revival.

Since 2002 Patrick played a vital role in the International Prayer Council and his presence in the global prayer gathering with his soft speech drew many to intercession. I also remember that he used to spend much time praying for America, which led us to mobilize prayer for the USA. We travelled several times to this nation visiting many states and encouraging the churches in the USA to pray without ceasing for a great awakening.

It is a sad day for the Christians in India and especially for the prayer movement in India. I lost a spiritual dad and a mentor who recognized the call of God and trusted me to serve along with him in the nations.

What I am now is what he has invested in my life - not with teaching, but by practice.

Surely there is a celebration in the Heavens,

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**Video obituary from Dr Jason Hubbard, IPC's Executive
Coordinator: https://youtu.be/YSXaHJ06_9A**



**Video obituary from Tom Victor, IPC's Senior Advisor
and Exec Team Member:
<https://youtu.be/80jM95sYaHM>**



**Video obituary from Pastor Austen Ukachi, IPC's West
Africa Regional Director:
<https://youtu.be/1VW0eQZ4QKA>**



More: <https://efionline.org/2020/06/18/a-tribute-for-mr-patrick-joshua/>

10 GO2020 Kids Story from Global Outreach Day

The original plan for Go 2020 Kids in Africa was to mobilize 1 million children across 31 nations where the Prayer Covenant for Children was active. Each child would be challenged to reach out to 20 students during May with a Prayer Covenant for Children Prayer Card that included the Gospel message, designed by the children, on the other side.



The Pandemic, of course, closed the schools and most to the actual “outreach” part of those plans had to be put on hold until the schools open again. But prayer was mobilized with current numbers showing 700,000 participating by praying for those they want to reach. And new doors opened for Go 2020 Kids to be active, like the radio stations that partnered with the All Africa Baptist Youth Fellowship (21 denominations) to allow

daily “on-air” prayer programs across 19 nations in multiple languages.

Two days of prayer and fasting were observed on May 28 and 29.

Then on Saturday, May 30, children went to the streets to share the Gospel. Here’s one report from Elias about Go 2020 Kids. It represented the activity of just one church in Togo on Go Day.

The experience of children spreading the Gospel was very fruitful as 22,004 evangelistic tracts were distributed by the children in our church in Togo - during May 30 – Go Day!

It was an excellent experience for children to have the opportunity to be part of God’s mission by sharing the Gospel.

They were so excited as they first enjoyed praying for winning souls.



They see themselves no longer as useless people to God. Many Christians, especially youth and adults, saw themselves as lazy as they saw

children committed to share the Gospel

This morning I got a voicemail from one Christian brother who found my number on the outreach cards that children gave out during Global Outreach Day. He confessed that he was very touched to see children committed to evangelism and he was impressed and edified by the tool of the Prayer Covenant for Children evangelism card.





11 IPC Calendar

2020 a year of evangelism across the UK

<https://advance2020.org/>

90 Days of HOPE - 1 June - 31 August 2020

www.go2020.world

Global Day of HOPE – 29 August 2020

www.globalvoiceofprayer.com

**Intercessors at the Summit...Soaring Like Eagles.
July 31 - Aug 1.** (Start at 9am Jamaica time)

www.nipnoj.org

**National Prayer Assembly (USA), Washington, D.C.,
October 14-15**

www.nationalprayerassembly.com



Movement for African

National Initiatives – Abidjan, Ivory Coast, 8-12 March 2021

<https://maniacfrica.com/category/prayers/>

UPRising Events Calendar

UPRISING Chile – November 2020 (Date TBA)

GLOBAL UPRISING Manila, Philippines, Nov 2021

www.unitedprayerrising.com

UPRISING MINDANAO (Mindanao, Philippines)-- dates
TBA

- UPRISING BUKIDNON (Northern Mindanao)
- UPRISING CARAGA (Butuan, Bislig, and Surigao)
- UPRISING DIGOS (Davao Del Sur)



- UPRISING CENTRAL

MINDANAO (South Cotabato, Cotabato, Sultan Kudarat,
Sarangani, and General Santos)

FB: United Prayer Rising Mindanao

FB: United Prayer Rising North Mindanao

IG: @uprisingmindanao

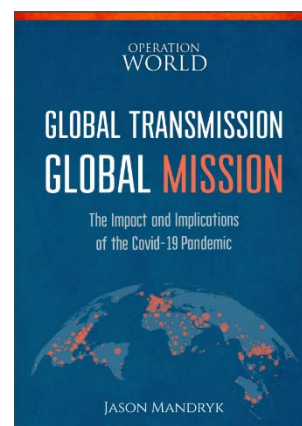
Resources

12 Free eBook: Global Transmission, Global Mission - Operation World

CoVid-19 is proving a disruptive, distressing, and divisive force throughout the world. How do mission-minded Christians respond? What happens to the Great Commission when the world is on lockdown? In this short e-book, Jason Mandryk, the author of Operation World, takes readers through a sweeping overview of the implications of the coronavirus for the global Church, and specifically, its impact on global mission.

Jason Mandryk is a member of IPC's Council and Exec Team.

In compiling this analysis, the Operation World team interacted with ministry and mission leaders in every region of the world, getting input on how to pray for different nations afflicted by CoVid-19 as well as strategic considerations from a wide array of missiological contexts.



Download the eBook

Download PDF (930kb) <http://covid-19.operationworld.org/wp-content/uploads/2020/05/Global-Transmission-Global-Mission.pdf> Browsers, most readers and devices.

Download Epub (172kb) <http://covid-19.operationworld.org/wp-content/uploads/2020/05/GTGM-epub-1.zip>
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More info: <http://covid-19.operationworld.org/global-transmission-global-mission/>

13 Download the GO2020 40 Days of Prayer Prayer Guide

The theme for the guide for 10 Jun to 20 July is 'CONSERVING the HARVEST'

[DOWNLOAD IT HERE](#)

Practical Tips

Pray on the go... to work, out and about, take the name of the unreached group of the day, or the 5 friends you are praying for, put a marker on your phone to remind yourself to pray for the lost around you.

A moment in your day... take a moment to open the 40 days of prayer guide, Listen to Jesus, what is He saying about those in your Jerusalem, Judea, Samaria and ends of the earth?

For more information on the Unreached People Group of the Day, go [HERE](#)

Download the [Mobile App](#) on your phone

Pray for 5 ?? (neighbors, co-workers, friends, family members)

www.ipcprayer.org

IPC Connections – July 2020

Go 2020 2020 Year of the Upper Room		
(19 seasons: 40 days Prayer/Fasting/Worship/Word Acts 1:8 for the lost in our "Jerusalem, Judea, Samaria & ends of the earth")		
Season 5: 10 June - 19 July 2020 • 40 Days to Keep the Harvest		
"...and gather the wheat into my barn." Matthew 13:30		
My 5 to pray for and share with:		
	10 June - Day 161 DOES NOT DIMINISH Psalm 107:37-38 1M Jambi Malay Muslim of Indonesia	Father, You have said it's by Your blessing harvests multiply. Because of You, it will not diminish but will remain and even increase. God, show us what it looks like to plant and multiply the harvest that You have given us!
	11 June - Day 162 ESTABLISH YOUR CHURCH Nehemiah 13:30-31 1.1M Batak Mandailing Muslim of Indonesia	Father, establish Your church in Asia that is holy and a model of the kingdom of heaven for the whole earth to see.
	12 June - Day 163 ESTABLISH YOUR THRONE OF JUSTICE Psalm 9:7-8 67K Muli Muslim of Indonesia	Father, establish Your throne of justice in Asia. Take up the cause of new believers who face persecution. Look and be near to those who have no one to defend them.
	13 June - Day 164 BUILD UP THE BELIEVER Colossians 2:6-7 3.4M Palembang Muslim of Indonesia	Father, cause those who come to know You to be rooted and built up in You and Your Word. Let an abiding faith grow in the hearts and lives of young believers.
	14 June - Day 165 GUARD YOUR CHURCH 2 Thessalonians 3:1-5 3.2M Malay Muslim of Indonesia	Father, look after Your saints in Asia. Establish them and guard them against the evil one. Protect them from spiritual attack and from evil people who want to do the Church harm. Let the word of God speed ahead of them and be honored and glorified.
	15 June - Day 166 BE READY James 5:7-8 931K Orang Negeri Minangkabau Muslim of Malaysia	Jesus, let the Church be full of the knowledge of Your second coming. Let urgency and faith arise in Your children to believe for great things and act accordingly, with confidence that Your promises will surely come to pass.
	16 June - Day 167 FULL ARMOR OF GOD Ephesians 6:11 1.3M Maguindanao Muslim of Philippines	Father, may Your Church in Asia put on the belt of truth, breastplate of righteousness, feet fitted with the Gospel of peace, shield of faith, helmet of salvation, and sword of the Spirit so they may be ready to stand against the devil's schemes.
	17 June - Day 168 CAST YOUR BURDEN ON THE LORD Psalm 55:22 938K Rohingya Muslim of Bangladesh	Father, sustain the believers in Asia as they cast their burdens on you. May they fully know the steadfastness and faithfulness of your love toward them.

PRAY WITH OTHERS: In your triplet, or small group, even online, have a moment for a time of repentance (personal and for the sins of our nations), a time to focus on others and the lost, and a time to yearn and long for God's Kingdom to come on earth as it is in Heaven.

About IPC

14 About International Prayer Connect (IPC)

OUR VISION:

"Compelled by God to seek Christ's glory worldwide for the blessing, healing, and transforming of the nations, International Prayer Connect exists as a coalition of prayer networkers and mobilizers working together to motivate, develop and equip national movements and local churches to fill all nations with prayer for the fulfilment of the Great Commandment and the completion of the Great Commission."



HOW WE OPERATE:

The IPC is not an organization as such. We are a fellowship of people involved in mobilizing prayer throughout the world. We function as an international "network of networks", connecting international, regional, and national prayer ministries and networks. We also arrange or support special prayer initiatives that bring prayer leaders together from time to time to pray for matters of regional and global concern to the Body of Christ. Regional prayer summits have been arranged or supported by the IPC in most regions of the world as well as international prayer initiatives for the United Nations, Hollywood, and other issues.

The IPC is led by an international leadership team, now called the International Prayer Council, is composed of twenty leaders who coordinate regional prayer networks or international prayer initiatives of various kinds. We seek to be catalysts and connectors within the global prayer movement towards the fulfilment of Habakkuk 2:14- that "the earth will be filled with the knowledge of the glory of the Lord as the waters cover the sea."

We do not have an official membership but connect with individuals and networks through IPC Connections, a periodical newsletter distributed via e-mail to give prayer information to interested people. Please share this newsletter with prayer coordinators, prayer network leaders, and others who have an interest in the global prayer movement so that they can be informed about different prayer initiatives, existing prayer networks, and how to participate in them.

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