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Greetings!

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

Last month we brought you a special feature on America and the 3rd November US elections that included an [Editorial article briefing written by Dave Kubal](#) which we are sure you will continue to find useful as you cover this important time for the nation in prayer. We are including some extra resources, prayer points and a link to Dave's video on [Praying for the US Elections](#) in John's article below.

This Autumn marks the 30-year anniversary of Germany's unification. We thank God for blessing their nation with a strong economy a democratic government and freedom to worship Him without persecution. Our colleague, Werner Nachtigal recently reminded us of the prayers that brought the wall down, and that we can all be in prayer to see re-unification across other nations such as North and South Korea where it almost seems impossible. But with God, all things are possible, Amen! Let's especially be in prayer for One Korea at this time.

Our Editorial article this month is a timely, encouraging reminder of the story of Evan Roberts and the 1904 Welsh Revival, brought to us by Jason Hubbard. Over three years, 250,000 responded to the Gospel message. In his memoirs, Evan wrote - "Before men I might reach a limited few, but before God I could reach the whole world!" To see a number of other inspiring [#teachustoprayer](#) 15-minute devotionals by Jason documenting 'The wildest stories of the Praying Church from Acts until 2020' [Click Here](#).

The Covid-19 pandemic has now affected 45 million people worldwide with 1.1 million now losing their lives. We bring you up to date information on this along with prayer points and links to various resources.

Thank you for continuing to partner with us in mobilising and informing 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
John D Robb – Chairman
International Prayer Connect

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01 Editorial: Evan Roberts and the Welsh Revival - Dr Jason Hubbard

Evan Roberts was the central figure in the Welsh Revival, in Wales, often described as one of the purest, movements of the Holy Spirit in the history of the church.

Evan grew up in a coal mining community and quit school to become a coal miner at the age of twelve. At thirteen Evan Roberts received Christ as his Savior. In his teens, he would attend every prayer meeting he could find, often, 6 out of 7 days a week. He read and heard about some of the great revivals that had occurred in Wales and other places and became obsessed with the subject. He stated, "I could sit up all night to read or talk about revivals." As a young man he was once forced out of his rented room by his landlady, who would hear him pray and preach in his room for hours on end, and concluded he was dangerous and quite likely insane.



At the age of 25 he woke up one night and found himself in the presence of God. His fellowship with God was so real, he stated:

"I found myself with unspeakable joy and awe in the presence of the almighty God ... I was privileged to speak face-to-face with him as a man speaks face-to-face with a friend."

This deep communion went on for four hours, and then he fell asleep again. He was surprised to find that the same experience occurred the next night, again resulting in an extraordinary fellowship with God that lasted again for four hours. This continued every night for the next three months, as God revealed Himself in dramatic fashion to this young man, preparing him for his great calling that lay ahead.

Even after these experiences with Christ he continued to be burdened for more of God. He spoke with his friends and wrote, "I have built the altar, and laid the wood in order, and have prepared the offering; I have only to wait for the fire"

He understood that fire falls on sacrifice ...

Roberts attended a series of small meetings held nearby by the famous evangelist, Seth Joshua. Seth was also a man of prayer and used to prayer walk for hours asking the Lord of the Harvest to send out laborers into his harvest fields. The Lord answered his prayer by raising up Evan Roberts. Seth prayed at the end of one of the services, "O God, bend us." These words shook Evan Roberts to the core. Roberts recorded, "I felt a living power pervading my soul... It took my breath away and my legs trembled exceedingly. This living power became stronger and stronger as each one prayed, until I felt it would tear me apart... I fell on my knees with my arms over the seat in front of me. My face was bathed in perspiration, and the tears flowed in streams. I cried out, "Bend me, bend me!" It was God's commending love which bent me ... what a wave of peace flooded my bosom..."

This mighty baptism in the Holy Spirit transformed Evan. Before that time, he was quite serious and had a gloomy personality, but after this he radiated joy. Before he had been a timid and hesitant speaker, but now spoke with an authority and boldness that could hardly be resisted.

During a church service soon afterwards, Roberts saw a vision of himself speaking to the young people at his home church in Loughor and decided to head home. His parents were puzzled to see their son home from college, and more puzzled still when he announced he had come to speak to the church (without being invited by the pastor) and

was considering going through all Wales preaching and soul winning. The pastor of their home church didn't quite know what to do with Evan. He decided to play it safe and allowed Evan to speak only after the main prayer meeting was over. Sixteen people and one little girl decided to stay and hear what he had to say.

Roberts wasted no time in getting to the heart of his message. He spoke about a fullness of the Holy Spirit that was available for Christians, but declared that they must fulfill four conditions:

- Confess all known sin to God.
- Put away all doubtful habits.
- Obey the Holy Spirit promptly.
- Confess Christ publicly.

On that first night, October 31st 1904, his teaching was accompanied with a deep sense of Holy Spirit conviction. By the end of the night all sixteen young people and adults had confessed Christ. So powerful was this first meeting that Roberts was given a second night to share, and then a third.

In one of those early meetings, Evan led the small group of people in what he called a chain prayer. He began by praying: "Send the Spirit now for Jesus Christ's sake." He then told everyone else in attendance to pray the same prayer out loud, one at a time. And so the prayer went around the room. After they had all prayed, Evan started a new section of the prayer: "Send the Spirit powerfully now for Jesus Christ's sake." Again, the prayer went around the room. Now as it was being prayed, the Holy Spirit began to fall on some of those in attendance. Evan prayed again: "Send the Spirit more powerfully now for Jesus Christ's sake." After that prayer went around the room, Evan prayed the final section of his prayer: "Send the Spirit still more powerfully now for Jesus Christ's sake."

That chapel meeting went on for hours and hours. Within the next few days, hundreds of people were attending the meetings. Within a few more days, a massive revival swept across Wales; changing the entire culture of the country and spreading to nations all across the earth.

He continued to lead meetings in his hometown each night at nearby churches and saw a total of 65 conversions that week. Some of the meetings in the early weeks of the revival started at 7:00pm and continued on without any breaks until 4:30am the next morning. After just two months of meetings (from November 8 to December 31st 1904), there were over 34,000 conversions recorded. Two months after that, by February 28, 1905, there were 84,000 conversions recorded. It was an average of over 5,000 conversions a week! From Wales, the revival began to spread to scattered cities in England, Scotland, Ireland, and the Isle of Man. It also spread as far as New Zealand, Madagascar, India, North America and Mexico, along with several countries within Europe, Asia, and Africa.

There was also great cultural transformation in Wales as the revival spread. Shops closed down early so the workers could get a seat at the revival meetings. Bibles flew off the shelves in the bookstores. Longstanding debts were paid off, drunkenness and crime drastically declined, and relationships were reconciled. One night at a football game, the whole crowd broke out singing one of the revival worship songs! So radical was the change in the coal miners that there was a slowdown in the mines. The pit ponies, so used to being cursed at and screamed at by the ungodly miners couldn't figure out what to do when their transformed masters spoke kindly to them."

Over a three-year period, approximately 250,000 souls came to Christ as a direct result of the Welsh Revival. After these revival years, Evan Roberts stepped down from public ministry and dedicated himself to a life of intercession. He wrote in one of his journals,

"Before men I might reach a limited few, but before God I could reach the whole world!"

For the Supremacy of Christ in all things,

**Dr Jason Hubbard – Executive Coordinator
International Prayer Connect**

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Prayers for the World

02 Covid-19 Pandemic Prayer Update – November 2020

Excerpts from our full November prayer report looking at Covid-19 Hot Spots and Progress with developing Vaccines - with Prayer Pointers and Links to Resources:

As of 30th October, the total global figure for people infected by Covid-19 stands at 45.1 million according to [Johns Hopkins University](#). In addition to this, the recorded number who have died totals 1,182,272.



Covid-19 hot spots

The US continues to be the country with the highest numbers confirmed cases and deaths related to Covid-19 globally with figures at around 8,947,830 and 228,675 respectively. The daily infection rate has increased over the past month to around 80,000 new cases per day and new deaths are projected at around 800 a day according to [Worldometer](#).

Latin America is now the worst-hit region in the world, along with Asia. Brazil has had more than 4.5 million confirmed cases - the third highest tally in the world after the US and India - and has had the most deaths after the US. Mexico, Argentina, Colombia and Peru have also had major outbreaks, and are in the top 10 countries with the most confirmed cases.

Russia [confirmed](#) 18,283 Covid-19 cases Friday, bringing its official number of cases to 1,599,976 and setting a new one-day record for infections. In the past 24 hours, 355 people have died. All of Russia's regions are currently experiencing shortages of doctors to fight the coronavirus, Kremlin spokesman Dmitry Peskov [said](#) Friday. Russia's coronavirus vaccine faces equipment shortages that could delay it from entering mass production, President Vladimir Putin [said](#) Thursday as reports suggested that developers have paused clinical trials due to the shortages. Russia has no plans to introduce nationwide lockdown measures, Putin [said](#), saying "justified, targeted" measures would allow the economy to stay open.

India has become the second country to record more than eight million coronavirus cases amid fears of a further spike due to a series of upcoming Hindu festivals - including Diwali. The health ministry's most recent figures reported 49,881 infections and 517 deaths in the past 24 hours - bringing the overall case count above 8.04 million and the death toll to 120,527. While nationally the daily infection rate is dropping, [India's](#) capital of New Delhi saw its worst day on record on Wednesday, with 4,853 new [coronavirus](#) cases - having managed to get below 1,000 per day last month.

Vaccine update

Since [coronavirus emerged in January](#) almost 200 vaccine candidates have been put into development, with at least 15 in human trials. Vaccines being developed by Oxford University and in Germany are the [most likely candidates to be ready this year](#), experts have said, but there are also candidates being tested in the US, Russia and China. [There are also some signs that China is pulling ahead in the race](#). A German vaccine backed by Pfizer could be ready to distribute before Christmas, the company's chief executive said.

However, a major new study has found that [immunity to coronavirus may only last a matter of a months](#), which could hinder the rollout of a successful vaccine.

A study by Imperial College London, which involved 365,000 people, showed that antibodies in the population fell by more than a quarter in just three months. Scientists said the findings suggested a "rapid" decline in immunity – which could mean that even if a successful vaccine is found, it might have to be administered twice a year.

It comes after the head of the UK's vaccine taskforce has warned that any jab is likely to be only 50 per cent effective. Kate Bingham said any vaccine capable of immunising against the coronavirus will likely only be as effective as the flu vaccine.

Read the full report for November with links to resources on our website

Let's Pray...

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, prevent and lessen the impact of second spikes 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 and lesser-developed 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 but without including aborted baby cells in its creation, neglecting proper testing protocols, and without including any digital ID tracing ("health passport") which could bring about totalitarian control.

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.

03 USA: Prayers for America and the Elections

What a tumultuous time in which we are living with the most significant election for America in our lifetimes happening a few days from today on November 3. The outcome will affect not only the USA but the whole world.

We have collated a few resources and prayer points to guide you as you intercede for our country at this crucial moment in our history.

Election Prayer Guides and Resources

[Watch Dave Kubal's video 'Interceding for our National Elections' from the National Prayer Assembly.](#)

Find lots of Resources and Election Prayer Guides at:
<https://ifapray.org/>

[Read Dave Kubal's article written for IPC Connections last month: 'America Needs Your Intercession'](#)

[Use Steve Hall's 'United Prayer over America' – calling down the supremacy of Christ on a nation in crisis.](#)



Song with Prayer Points

In case you would find [this video](#) helpful that colleagues associated with the National Prayer Assembly (Terry and Barbi Franklin, worship leaders, and Eric Teitelman, videographer) and I have developed, it is yours to use to mobilize your church, prayer group, or prayer network to pray for America. Several general prayer concerns are attached to the video at the end as well.



As one ministry leader put it, we are "staring into the abyss" if unprincipled Leftist-Marxists who have been already trashing our cities with rioting were to win the presidency and other public offices also. Let's continue to pray and do so with all our hearts for the Lord's intervention and mercy to be upon the USA once again!

[Watch this beautifully captured video](#) of a sung prayer for America - for the Healing of our Land - followed by some prayer pointers as we pray for America in the run-up to the 2020 Presidential elections:

Hand in Hand we Declare - Jesus is Lord!

As one we stand... Amen!

7 Prayer Pointers for the Elections

Please Pray:

1. That we Americans will humbly repent of our many sins before God. (2 Chron. 7:14)
2. That forces of evil seeking to divide us and overthrow our nation will be bound. (Matt. 18:18-19)
3. That corruption in political leaders will be further revealed and covered truthfully by the mainstream media and tech companies.
4. For the many Christians running for office and serving in government to be strengthened in grace and truth.
5. That all will be moved to vote for life and Judeo-Christian values in our November 3 election.
6. for the election of leaders who will govern in fear of God, truth, and hating covetousness.
7. That America will be delivered and enabled to fulfill its God-given destiny and calling for the future.

Thank you for "standing in the gap" for America.

John Robb – Chairman
International Prayer Connect

04 Germany: Giving thanks for 30 years of re-unification

This year is the 30th anniversary of the re-unification of Germany. Our friends at European Evangelical Alliance have invited us to share in some prayers and thanksgiving for Germany at this time.

Our recent national holiday was a time to celebrate and to thank God. After the fall of the Berlin Wall on November 9th, 1989, and the rapid political changes within one year, the accession of former East Germany (GDR) to be within the scope of the Basic Law of the Federal Republic of Germany was sealed on October 3rd, 1990.



Since then, as a reunited German nation, we have trodden a historic path, from two very different political entities and a divided nation after the Second World War into a common identity as one nation. This path has not been without pain and has required sacrifice and grace on both sides - so that it can best serve all our people and indeed other nations.

On this anniversary we want to celebrate and be thankful for our united Germany, and above all for reunited families, for the new marriages, families, friendships and relationships that have occurred since the fall of the Berlin Wall, for the new generation of children born, and for the freedom and prosperity throughout Germany.

As we thanked God for our Basic Law at the prayer conference in Bonn last year, let us now thank God for the abundant blessing that we have received.

At this time, when much is being put to the test and shaken, God again wants to show us as a nation his ways of salvation that go beyond our prayers and understanding (Psalm 50:23).

- **Praise and thanks for 30 years of unity. (Psalm 98)**
- **We lay down before the Lord everything that we have achieved. Our land belongs to Him. (Psalm 24)**
- **After the political turn-around 30 years ago, we ask the Father now for Germany to turn around to Him, so that He can set us free to fulfil our calling as a nation. (John 8:36) (-KH-)**

The calling of Berlin

The history of Berlin, now our capital and the seat of government in our country, goes back to the 13th century.

German history was made in Berlin in so many ways. Many cultural and political debates as well as ideological disputes have their origin here in Berlin and this is still true today. The city has had to live through many times of upheaval.

The division of Germany, with the construction of the Wall, was not experienced so directly anywhere else than in Berlin as a tangible and painful reality.

With the reunification of Germany, God has opened a new chapter and Berlin has become the “city of unity” and a symbol of God's grace-outpouring and miracle-working.

The message that comes to us from Berlin is that what God has done here, He can do anywhere else in the world. Not only political but also spiritual leadership should be evident in this city, along with a servant spirit and wise understanding.

Berlin needs our love as well as God's help and guidance. The destiny and future of Berlin is important to us all. Let us pray for God's redemptive plans and together bless and set this city free in its calling.

Prayer:

- **For the special protection of God in all the current winds of change and upheaval. (Psalm 27: 1)**
- **That God's salvation plans and purposes for Germany become visible in and for Berlin. (Isaiah 60:18)**
- **We speak out over Berlin: You are a city of unity, of wise leadership ... – a miracle of God. (-AS-)**

More at: www.waechterruf.de/international/

Let's also be in prayer for breakthrough for nations going through divisive political, cultural, economic and other turmoil at this time, including North and South Korea, Armenia and Azerbaijan, and Belarus.

Read the inspirational recounting of [The Miracle of Leipzig](#) by Jeff Fountain, which we highly recommend. (Photo used above is from that article – with thanks)

05 UK / EU: Brexit negotiations move into 2 crucial weeks

This last fortnight of Brexit negotiations has been a bit 'stop-start', but they now appear to be progressing a little more positively with face to face talks. Meetings have been held in London, but are now moving back to Brussels for what many hope will be a constructive and productive closing phase which is expected to last about two weeks.

The president of the European Council has meanwhile insisted that negotiations are at their most difficult stage. Charles Michel, who chairs summits of EU leaders in Brussels, said: "Will we get a deal? I don't know – it will depend on what will be on the table."



Michel said the issue of fishing was proving a major sticking point between the two parties. British Cabinet Minister, Michael Gove told the Welsh Brexit minister that Britain could 'no longer be bound by the Common Fisheries Policy' and won't back down on its demands.

Spain and Gibraltar want a last-minute deal to avoid having a hard border after Brexit. However, a Spanish diplomatic source said they have stumbled on 'a lack of political will' in London.

Ireland's foreign minister claimed that a trade deal is now 'likely' in the next two weeks, while warning 'major trade disruption would be the 'new reality' even if a UK-EU deal is struck.

Bloomberg is predicting, 'Brexit negotiators have made good progress in London this week, raising hopes they could 'inch' towards a deal by early November, Bloomberg quoted people 'familiar with the discussions' claiming the two sides have begun work on the text of an agreement covering level playing field issues, and are close to finalising a joint document covering state aid mechanism.

Please pray for an end to the 'tactical games' on final agreements and for the outcome to produce God's purposes for the nations. (Romans 13:1b)

More at: <https://www.independent.co.uk/news/uk/politics/brexit-news-live-today-eu-deal-boris-johnson-update-latest-b1391746.html>

A Prayer for Brexit:

We come into agreement with Your word in Matthew 17: 20 "you can say to this mountain, 'move from here to there,' and it will move. Nothing will be impossible to you".

We declare God desires this nation will display His Kingdom and His Kingship, we decree Righteousness, Justice, Mercy and Truth – moral and spiritual – will be the foundations upon which we will build. God is the Master Planner of heaven and earth, His plans are for good and not evil, greater than every plan of man or of the enemy.

We stand as the Ecclesia in this land, and we speak convergence and completion into all Brexit negotiations, that the next season for this nation will be birthed according to every blueprint held in Heaven, in Jesus Name.

As negotiations move to Brussels for their final phase, we come into agreement with His word in Romans 4:17: He is "The God who gives life to the dead and calls into being that which does not exist."

Over all matters concerning Brexit under discussion, we call forth the strategies and plans of heaven, that will bless both the UK and EU, and we decree His answers to the outstanding areas of free trade, fisheries, security and all other matters. We declare the ground will be prepared for a beneficial relationship between the EU and UK that will prosper everyone in the days to come.

Now Lord, we call business, the haulage industry and exporting companies into a place of preparedness for the exit from EU that movement of goods, services and people will not be hindered.

Father, over all discussions, negotiations and decisions we Hallow your name, praying that across the Continent of Europe Your kingdom will come and Your will be done - across each nation as it is in Heaven.

In the name of Your Son Christ Jesus our Lord, Amen.

With thanks to:

Linda Digby / Prayer-Alert.net | Suzanne Ferrett / Passion for the Nation | Ian Cole / IPC Senior Advisor

06 Armenia-Azerbaijan: Nagorno-Karabakh conflict breaks third ceasefire

BAKU/YEREVAN -- Deadly fighting between Azerbaijani and Armenian forces over the separatist Nagorno-Karabakh region has intensified as both sides blame each other for the collapse of a third attempt at a cease-fire.

Azerbaijan and Armenian reported civilian casualties in urban areas on October 28, two days after a U.S.-brokered cease-fire was to go into effect.

Azerbaijan's Defense Ministry said 21 civilians were killed and 70 injured in Smerch multiple-rocket system attacks on the city of Barda, located in central Azerbaijan outside the Nagorno-Karabakh region. Four civilians were reportedly killed in another attack on the city on the previous day.

The Armenian Defense Ministry accused Azerbaijani forces of attacking civilian areas in Nagorno-Karabakh, including the shelling of a hospital and maternity clinic in the enclave's main city, Stepanakert. The rocket attacks caused damage but inflicted no casualties. One civilian was killed and two others were injured in a rocket attack on the nearby town of Shushi (Susa).

Both sides denied the other's claims that civilians were being targeted.

The International Committee of the Red Cross (ICRC) said urban areas had been hit and that one volunteer from the Azerbaijan Red Crescent Society was killed in the shelling. Two other volunteers were injured.

"Alongside thousands of civilians, the ICRC witnessed intense shelling in urban areas on both sides of the front line today, leading to death, destruction, injuries, and desolation," it said in a statement.

"These latest exchanges signal that the Nagorno-Karabakh conflict risks spiraling out of control," it warned.

Both sides have claimed the other is targeting civilians during a month of intense clashes that have drawn in world powers seeking to halt the worst fighting the region since a 1994 cease-fire.

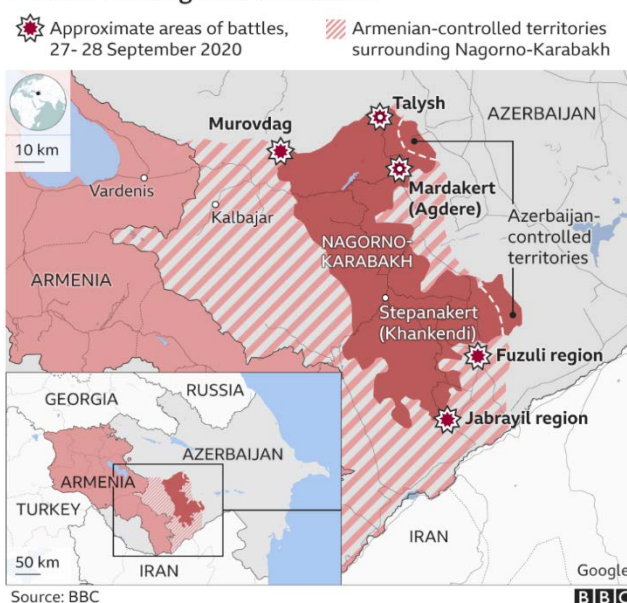
More at: <https://www.rferl.org/a/armenia-azerbaijan-urged-to-seek-lasting-cease-fire-as-diplomatic-efforts-continue/30916763.html>

Pray for the hostilities to cease and for a return to negotiations.

Pray for the safety of civilians living in the disputed regions.

Pray that external interference will be brought to light and that this war does not escalate further.

Conflict in Nagorno-Karabakh



Please, earnestly pray for the people of these countries, so that God's peace may descend on the borders and reconciliation may be established between the neighboring fighting countries.

07 Afghanistan: Al-Qaeda still 'heavily embedded' within Taliban, UN official warns

Al-Qaeda is still "heavily embedded" within the Taliban in Afghanistan, in spite of a historic US-Taliban agreement earlier this year, a senior United Nations official has told the BBC.

Earlier this year, the US signed an agreement with the Taliban committing to withdrawing all American forces from the country by next summer if the Taliban ensured groups including al-Qaeda were not able to use Afghan territory to plot international attacks.

But Edmund Fitton-Brown, co-ordinator of the UN's Islamic State, Al-Qaeda and Taliban Monitoring Team, has told the BBC that the Taliban promised al-Qaeda in the run-up to the US agreement that the two groups would remain allies.



"The Taliban were talking regularly and at a high level with al-Qaeda and reassuring them that they would honour their historic ties," Mr Fitton-Brown said.

He said the relationship between al-Qaeda and the Taliban was "not substantively" changed by the deal struck with the US. "Al-Qaeda are heavily embedded with the Taliban and they do a good deal of military action and training action with the Taliban, and that has not changed," he said.

Eliminating the threat from al-Qaeda and overthrowing the Taliban regime that had harboured them was the original basis for the US invasion of Afghanistan, following the 9/11 attacks. At the time, President George W Bush vowed to hunt the militants until there was "no place to run, or hide, or rest".

Al-Qaeda's strength and ability to strike the West has significantly diminished over the past decade, but its leader Ayman al-Zawahiri is believed to still be based in Afghanistan along with a number of other senior figures in the group. The Afghan intelligence services announced on Saturday they had killed Husam Abd al-Rauf, a high ranking Egyptian al-Qaeda member, in an operation in Ghazni province. Mr Fitton-Brown told the BBC that despite its lower profile, al-Qaeda remained "resilient" and "dangerous".

How the Taliban's relationship with al-Qaeda develops could determine the future of the Afghan peace process. The Taliban's commitments on international terrorism are the most tangible demands that need to be met as part of the US-Taliban withdrawal agreement. However, the issue is likely to prove divisive, with Taliban hardliners thought to oppose any measures cutting their links with al-Qaeda.

It is feared the Afghan peace process is in any case losing its momentum. Despite the beginning of long delayed negotiations between the Taliban and an Afghan government-led delegation last month in Qatar, violence has continued and even intensified in recent weeks.

The negotiations have stalled amid attempts to resolve preliminary issues, with major issues such as a ceasefire or power-sharing arrangement yet to be discussed. There are fears that if US troops are withdrawn next year, before an agreement has been reached, the violence could intensify and the Taliban push for a military victory.

Mr Fitton-Brown warned that, were the peace process to fall apart, al-Qaeda and the Islamic State group could attempt to further exploit "ungoverned space" in Afghanistan.

"Both of those groups have an avowed aspiration to pose an international threat," he said.

Extracts from an email received from a humanitarian organization serving the people of Afghanistan:

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

While the Taliban are in Doha now since one month to presumable talk about peace with high officials of the Afghan government, the fighting continues unabated and yesterday the Afghan Ministry of Interior (Mol) reported that 180 civilians have been killed and 375 have been wounded over the last month in a spate of violence across Afghanistan.

Many Afghans were expecting that a cease fire would be announced or fighting would slow down, but the Taliban have increased their attacks on the government, Army, police and civilians throughout the country.

“Where is peace? Which peace? While we are going to Doha for talks, you witness a wave of suicide attacks, there are explosions, soldiers are being killed - we do not need this kind of peace,” said Najibullah Kabuli.

Fighting was also reported close to the capital and to the city where our team from the North East is based and also in the west of the country fighting has increased and many other parts. The Taliban try to get into a stronger position as they negotiate with the government.

Please pray that the Taliban would be pushed back and defeated and they would not make any further success!

Please continue to pray also for the so-called peace talks in Doha/Qatar.

The Taliban will definitely try to get a big influence on the present government which could really change the society again into strict Sharia rules.

Please continue to pray for all our foreign and local workers and brothers and sisters for their protection.

08 China: forced birth control of religious and ethnic minorities

China orders hospitals to abort, kill new-born babies of religious and ethnic minorities

Hospitals in Xinjiang were ordered by China’s Communist government to abort and kill all babies born in excess of its mandated family planning limits — including new-borns born after being carried to full term — or face hefty fines, claims a new report.

Hasiyet Abdulla, a Uighur obstetrician who worked in multiple hospitals in northwest China’s Xinjiang Uighur Autonomous Region for 15 years, told Radio Free Asia that maternity wards implemented strict family-planning policies intended to restrict Uighurs and other ethnic minorities to three children.



Abdulla told RFA that babies were aborted even if their mothers were “eight and nine months pregnant,” adding that in some cases, medical staff would “even kill the babies after they’d been born.”

Babies who had been born at the hospital outside of family-planning limits weren’t safe either, she said, adding doctors would “kill them and dispose of the body.”

“They wouldn’t give the baby to the parents — they kill the babies when they’re born,” she said.

“It’s an order that’s been given from above, it’s an order that’s been printed and distributed in official documents. Hospitals get fined if they don’t comply, so of course they carry this out.”

In June, the U.S. Commission on International Religious Freedom argued that the forced sterilization of Uighur Muslims is “evidence of genocide.”

"It's evident from the Chinese government's own data that the Communist Party's policies are clearly designed to prevent population growth for the Uyghur, Kazakh, and other Turkic Muslim peoples," USCIRF Commissioner Nury Turkel said in a statement.

"We urge the State Department to investigate whether the Chinese authorities' deliberate and systematic attempt to genetically reducing the Turkic Muslim population in Xinjiang meets the legal definition for genocide as contemplated in the Genocide Convention."

In a statement to Fox News, Morgan Ortagus said the U.S. State Department is "extremely concerned by reports of forced abortions and sterilization in Xinjiang."

"These reports are consistent with an overwhelming and growing body of information that exposes the Chinese Communist Party's campaign of brutal repression targeting Uighurs, ethnic Kazakhs, Kyrgyz, and other Muslim minorities in Xinjiang. We reiterate our call on the PRC [People's Republic of China] government to reverse its repressive course in Xinjiang, release all who are arbitrarily detained, and to end its draconian and brutal policies to forcibly indoctrinate and intimidate its own citizens."

By Leah MarieAnn Klett, Christian Post Reporter

More at: <https://www.christianpost.com/news/xinjiang-hospitals-forced-to-abort-kill-newborn-babies-born-outside-family-limits.html>

Pray: for this ruthless and inhumane killing of unborn and newly born babies by the Chinese government to be stopped.

Pray: for an immediate cessation of the forced sterilisation and population control.

Pray: wisdom, authority and protection for those who are campaigning and advocating for the Uighur people and other ethnic groups.

09 Turkey: Prayer Request - Populism and Femicide

On 21 July 2020, 27-year old university student Pinar Gültekin (pictured) was murdered by her ex-boyfriend, becoming another victim of Turkey's wave of femicides. Gültekin was declared missing for six days before she was found dead, strangled to death for refusing to reconcile with her former partner.



The news of Gültekin's murder sparked protests across the country, with women taking to the streets in more than ten cities. The largest demonstrations took place across various neighbourhoods of Istanbul, gathering thousands of people. Smaller-scale protests also took place in less-populous Turkish cities including İzmir, Edirne, Mersin and Malatya.

On more than one occasion, women protesting gender-based violence were met with violence themselves. In İzmir, police officers brutally intervened in the protest and several women were beaten. Videos from the event captured scenes of women being manhandled and dragged away by police officers. 12 were taken into custody, although they were later released.

Since the news of the murder of Gültekin, 11 women have met a similar fate. These tragic murders are, unfortunately, in no way isolated incidents. They form part of a larger pattern that has been emerging in Turkey under the country's increasingly authoritarian Justice and Development Party (AKP) government.

Under the AKP, the number of women killed by men has increased rapidly. Since 2010, more than 3,000 women have been murdered as a result of male violence, with the figure more than doubling over the years. The vast

majority of these women were killed for making decisions about their own lives – breaking up with a partner or rejecting men’s advances.

The government’s attempt to turn the Istanbul Convention into a wedge issue has backfired. There is no clear segment of society against it, and according to an opinion poll by Turkey Report only 8.8 percent of the population want to withdraw, and 51.7 percent are not even aware of its contents.

While the number of femicides has steadily increased, the Turkish government has failed to implement measures to protect women or introduce any reforms to tackle gender inequality. According to the Judicial Records statistics in 2019, most of the complaints made by women of sexual and physical violence do not result in a prosecution. This year, Turkey ranked 130th out of 153 countries in the World Economic Forum’s Global Gender Gap Index. Women’s rights activists are outraged by the deteriorating situation that is worsened by the proposal to withdraw from the treaty, with many arguing that it was never properly implemented in the first place.

Source: <https://blogs.lse.ac.uk/mec/2020/08/17/populism-and-femicide-in-turkey/>

Pray that Turkey’s wave of violence against women and femicides would stop immediately

Pray that the current Turkish government would take more actions and responsibilities to prevent these murders

Pray that all Turks would find the true women’s right and equality in Jesus Christ and His Gospel of peace

Prayer News & Events:

10 Global Outreach in 2021: GO 21!

We have exciting news for you! We will continue reaching people with the Gospel in 2021!

GO 21 is the first step in our efforts to reach the whole world with the Gospel and the kick-off of the GO Decade (2021-2030). After what we have seen with **GO 2020**, we believe it is possible to reach the whole world by 2030!

We are dedicating the month of May 2021 to prayer and evangelism to reach people with the Gospel. Many denominations and ministries have agreed to be part of **GO 21** to mobilize 100 million believers to reach 1 billion people with the Gospel of Jesus Christ.



Please help us to get the word out!

We encourage you to share this flyer with the cause of reaching people with the Gospel with your whole network. Please help us to spread the news. Let’s stand together to mobilize as many believers as possible.

The main goal of Global Outreach is to train, equip, and mobilize believers to share their faith and develop an evangelistic lifestyle. This effort can’t be accomplished with just one organization. We all know that only together can we achieve this goal.

[Download the Info Pack](#) | [Download the Flyer](#)

Werner Nachtigal - Global Outreach Day / GO 21 / Go Decade

11 CONTEND! Prayer Campaign - Nov 4th-25th

Are you ready to spiritually contend for an increase of mission mobilization in the global Church?

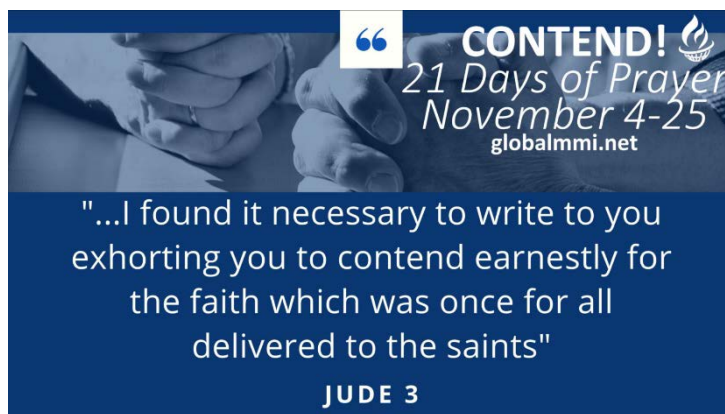
In the midst of a global pandemic, God is provoking His global Church to pray and prepare for a great advance in cross-cultural mission. The Holy Spirit is orchestrating circumstances to rearrange the global Church's priorities, aligning her with His own vision and will in this hour.

This includes increasing an emphasis on mission mobilization across His global Church, enabling denominations, church networks, and sending agencies from every nation to mobilize, equip and send laborers to the unreached and unengaged peoples, proclaiming the Gospel of the Kingdom and multiplying Church Planting Movements.

Contend! is a 21-day prayer campaign seeking God for a breakthrough in His global Church surrounding an increase of mission mobilization vision across ministry structures, moving mission from the periphery in the Church to its rightful place at the core.

[Watch the Promo Video](#)

More info, Resources and Sign Up: <https://www.globalmmi.net/contend-prayer-campaign>



12 Watchmen: Standing with America – Nov 3rd

We feel the Lord's jealousy over the United States of America and its Godly destiny.

We know the results of their upcoming national elections will carry reverberations on a global scale. We want to stand in prayer with our family in America for His will to unfold this November.

We invite you to join us on Tuesday, November 3rd at 5:00AM PT (Vancouver) as we gather to align with all that is being declared over America from the gates of Heaven at this hour.

More at: <https://watchmen.org/upcoming/2020/11/3/standing-with-america>



13 International Day of Prayer for Africa - 6 Nov 2020

Cover Africa in Prayer - from Cairo to Cape Town and from Madagascar to Cape Verde -

As part of the International Day of Prayer for Africa, One God – One Day – One Africa and its partners from all around the world will pray for Africa from 06:00 to 22:00 CAT (Central Africa Time).

**International Day of Prayer for Africa
Fri, 6th Nov 2020**

Make a commitment to pray for a country



We are so excited because a week later the One God – One Day – One Africa celebrations will take place.

On 12-15 November our partners will host large Gospel crusades in almost every country of Africa. They will be broadcast all over the continent. Additionally, thousands of African evangelists committed to bringing the Good News to remote villages during that time.

Join, pray with us!

Set time aside to pray with us on 6 November. Let's storm the heavenly throne room and ask for breakthroughs in every nation of Africa. Let's pray for an end to the pandemic, an outpouring of the Holy Spirit and of course many open hearts to receive Jesus Christ as their Lord and Saviour.

Make a commitment to pray for an African country NOW at www.1GDA.org/prayerday

14 Latin-American Continuous Prayer Vigil – 24 November

'Lifting up a fire wall and rampart over Iberoamérica'

Nations are in the midst of a global shakeup, a global hiatus due to the Crisis caused by the Covid-19 Pandemic. Many people in the nations are afraid and look for answers. Now more than ever it is time to pray for people, attend to their needs and share the Gospel in the Nations of the Earth.

We recognize that historical moments of crisis have created the perfect atmospheres for the GREAT REVIVALS and the Uprising of the Great Harvests of souls for our beloved Jesus Christ and the expansion of his Kingdom throughout history.

We believe that this is the moment when the Church must arise and take its role as The mouth, the feet, the hands of the Lord Jesus Christ to respond to a humanity that has no hope, that is in total confusion, and that awaits a resolution of their leaders or rulers.

We are living one of the most important prophetic moments in this decade, we see how in the midst of the shaking of the Nations, in a Global Pause, our precious Holy Spirit is moving strategically, bringing Revival in the midst of families, communities and nations. It is time to complete the Great Commission assigned by our Master. The Harvest is ready in the fields, the Angels have already been sent (Mark 13:39).

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PRAYER COUNCIL, AMEA, UPRISING, GO2020, and various national prayer councils.

The Latin American Prayer Council (CLAMOR) as part of the World Prayer Council (International Prayer Council) invites you to participate in a continuous Continental Vigil that will begin on April 24, and will be held every last Friday of each month until the end of the year 2020.

We want to agree to pray all the nations of Latin America in UNANIMITY, as a single VOICE; believing that something powerful will begin to happen this April. We will pray that the Redeeming gift of the Father, in the intervention of Jesus Christ and in the power of his Holy Spirit, hears our Prayer, receives our repentance and heals our lands. 2 Chronicles 7: 13-14.

We believe that this is the time of the Resurgence of The Ekklesia, a time to give hope to the needy, to the unreached groups of our continent, of the fulfillment of promises, of the manifestation of His mercy, forgiveness, grace. It is the divine time of the spiritual, economic, political and social restart of our peoples.

We cannot lose the window of opportunity that Covid-19 and the World Crisis is providing us to lift the harvest of souls in the fields that are already ready ... IT'S TIME TO PRAY CONTINENTALLY!

More info and sign-up: <https://vigiliaunanime.clamor.global/index.php/en/>

15 IPC Calendar

 <p>2020 a year of evangelism across the UK https://advance2020.org/</p> <p>The Gathering - 24-7 Prayer - Oct 30th-31st https://www.24-7prayer.com/</p> <p>Hallowed be Your Name – Oct 31st Praying across the UK for the UK https://tulips.live/</p> <p>Standing with America – Nov 3rd, 5am PT https://watchmen.org/upcoming/2020/11/3/standing-with-america</p> <p>Contend! - 21 Days of Prayer for Global Mission 4-25 Nov 2020 www.globalmmi.net</p>	<p>International Day of Prayer for Africa – 6 Nov www.1GDA.org/prayerday</p> <p>Messiah's House – First Friday – Nov 6 With Rabbi Eric Teitelman & Jed Robyn www.reconnectingministries.org</p> <p>15 Days Prayer for the Hindu World - Nov 8-22 www.pray15days.org</p> <p>Pray & Fast for Church Planting Movements - Nov 14 https://2414now.net/pray/</p> <p>Continuous Continental Vigil – (CLAMOR) – Nov 27 https://vigiliaunanime.clamor.global/index.php/en/</p> <p>The Light has Come – Dec 17th https://watchmen.org/upcoming/2020/12/17/the-light-has-come</p> <p>Movement for African National Initiatives – Abidjan, Ivory Coast, 8-12 March 2021 https://maniafrica.com/category/prayers/</p>
<p>UPRising Events Calendar</p> <p>UPRISING Chile – November 2020 (Date TBA)</p> <p>GLOBAL UPRISING Manila, Philippines, Nov 2021 www.unitedprayerrising.com</p> <p>UPRISING MINDANAO (Mindanao, Philippines)-- dates TBA</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - UPRISING BUKIDNON (Northern Mindanao) - UPRISING CARAGA (Butuan, Bislig, and Surigao) - UPRISING DIGOS (Davao Del Sur) 	 <p>- 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</p>

Resources

16 Replays and Resources from Recent Events

There have been numerous significant regional and international gatherings over the last few months. We would encourage our partner networks to continue to use these wonderful replays and resources that are available on the YouTube channels listed below. They are a hugely valuable resource!

[World Prayer Together](#) on 19th September involved 10,000 people from 123 nations.

The theme of the 4-hour gathering was **‘Repentance, Reconciliation, Revival and Reaching all with His Gospel.’**

Watch the [30-minute excerpts video](#) or the [replay of the whole event](#). See the programme guides on YouTube or the [IPC Website](#) to quickly find specific items.



[10 Days / The Return](#) - 365 City Events and 155 Locations around the world took part in [10 Days](#). 4000+ people registered for the 24/7 Global Zoom Prayer Room and 4600+ took the Consecration Challenge.

Watch the [Facebook Live Replays](#) of 10 Days.

100,000 attended [The Return](#) in Washington and 10's of Millions watched the simulcast on TV and Online.



See [Jonathan Cahn's prophetic word](#) for America.

[Watch the REPLAY of The Return](#) - Download a [Return Prayer Guide](#) and More!

The [National Prayer Assembly](#) drew together huge numbers worldwide to an online gathering to pray for America.

Let's continue to pray for His deliverance and destiny for the USA during this crucial election season. May the best days for America be in the coming months and years, serving as a blessing from the Lord, not only to its own citizens but to the rest of the world as well!

[View the NPA Sessions and presentations replays on YouTube](#)



17 Book: 'Beyond the Pandemic: Is there any word from the Lord?'

'Beyond the Pandemic: Is there any word from the Lord?' by Rev Dr Clifford Hill

When a pandemic is unleashed, how should Christians respond?

Beyond the Pandemic provides a Biblical view of the contemporary world situation.

It focuses upon what the Biblical prophets called "the deeds of the Lord" – the historical evidence of the activity of God in the life and times of the leaders of Israel and Judah, from Moses to Malachi. This revelation of the nature of God is set alongside contemporary events, providing a prophetic view of God's purposes in these troubled times.

After years of warnings to our society, which has turned its back on Him, who is both Creator and Sovereign over the world in which we live, we must either repent or face yet worse afflictions; Hill points us to the only effective remedy – God's word spoken through Isaiah 45:22, "Turn to me and be saved, all the ends of the earth, for I am God and there is no other."

The Rev. Dr Clifford Hill MA, BD, PhD, Sociologist and Theologian, is a lecturer, preacher and broadcaster who has written over forty books. He is an ordained minister in the Congregational church, has led multi-ethnic congregation in London and continues to exercise pastoral oversight of an inner-city church.

He is editor-in-chief of Prophecy Today UK, which seeks to apply God's word in the Bible to current affairs and, with his wife, Monica, is joint director of Issachar Ministries which supports Christians in prayer and action.

Beyond the Pandemic is published by Wilberforce Publications and is available to purchase:

CLC bookshop -

<https://clcbookshops.com/Products/ViewOne.aspx?ProductId=131212&sq=beyond%20the%20pandemic>

Amazon - <https://www.amazon.co.uk/dp/191612111X/>

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18 Prayer Guide – 15 Days of Prayer for the Hindu World

Join us November 8th to 22nd 2020 in 15 days of prayer for Hindus all over the world!

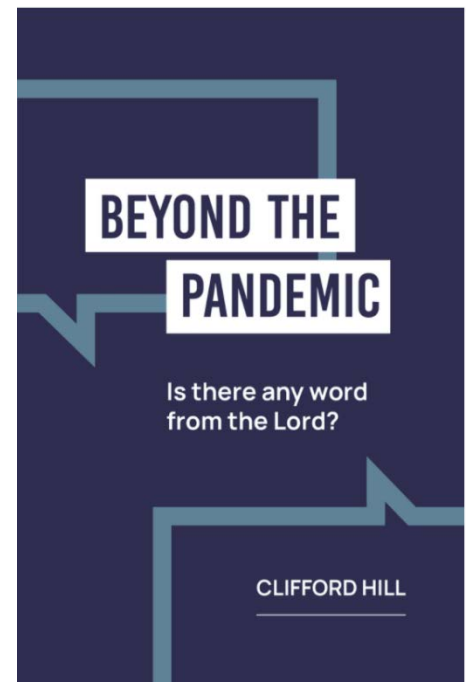
The 2020 Hindu Prayer Guide - November 8th – 22nd 2020

The annual Hindu World Prayer Focus is calling Christians and churches worldwide to take 15 days to learn about and pray for our world's over one billion Hindu friends.

That period also encompasses the significant Hindu Festival of Light (Diwali). The informative prayer guide booklets will help Christians to know how to pray for the people(s) growing up within this major and very diverse world religion.

www.ipcprayer.org

IPC Connections – November 2020



Diwali (or Deepawali) is known as the Festival of Lights, and is one of the most important annual celebrations for Hindus, lasting about 4-5 days. While (similar to Christmas celebrations in the Christian world) it has historical and religious roots, Hindus celebrate it by lighting and displaying rows of small oil lamps, participating in family gatherings, consuming special sweets and watching fireworks.

It is not our intention with this prayer focus to disparage India or the Hindu religion in any way. We recognize that both are far too complex and too full of great traditions to simply or easily condense, explain or take lightly within a mere booklet.

At the same time, as Christians, we long that all the world's people(s) will have an opportunity to freely see, hear and understand the grace of God incarnated in Jesus Christ.

To this end we inform ourselves, pray for and want to support opportunities to make that grace known also within the world's Indian and Hindu communities. Get your copy of the 15 Days Hindu Prayer Guide now and join with us!

15 days | 32 pages | 1,000,000,000 Hindus worldwide

Download the Guide HERE: <https://pray15days.org/>

About IPC

19 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.

Please use [this link](#) if you would like to sow in to our ministry with a donation

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