

## Supporting Missionaries Through Prayer

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Wondering how you might pray more effectively for missionaries around the world this coming year? Why not consider the suggestions of a missionary currently serving on the field!

### 1. PRAY FOR THEIR RELATIONSHIP WITH GOD

That they would:

- love to study God's word.
- have a strong prayer life.
- be filled with the Holy Spirit.
- mature spiritually.
- progress over personal sin.

### 2. PRAY FOR THEIR PHYSICAL AND EMOTIONAL NEEDS

That they would:

- adapt to the climate.
- have good health.
- be safe.
- have victory over loneliness and depression.

### 3. PRAY FOR THEIR FAMILY RELATIONSHIPS

That they would:

- have a good husband/wife relationship.
- have a good parent/child relationship.
- be models to the nationals as to a good family life.
- cope with singleness and remain pure in their thoughts and deeds.

### 4. PRAY FOR THEIR ABILITY TO COMMUNICATE

That they would:

- be able to do language study.
- be able to continually improve in their fluency.
- be able to culturally adapt and understand the nationals.

### 5. PRAY FOR THEIR MINISTRY TO BE EFFECTIVE

That they would:

- be able to teach, preach, and witness.
- be bold and take advantage of open doors.
- have times of fruitfulness as God prepares the hearts of those listening.

### 6. PRAY FOR THEIR TEAM RELATIONSHIPS

That they would:

- work well with their teammates.
- have relationships with other missionaries.
- have good relationships with the national Christians, pastors, leaders, etc.

### 7. PRAY FOR THEIR COUNTRY OF SERVICE

- the national and local leaders
- that the political situation would allow for Christian witness
- that the missionaries would receive visas
- that there would be a witness in the cities, the villages, and all the people groups