

WIC MissionsFest 2021

Prayer Guide for Sri Lanka, WIC Missionaries and WIC Missions Partners (23/8-29/8)

Monday 23 August 2021

Pray for Christians of Sri Lanka - Pray for the Sri Lankans who are still affected by deadly church bombings on Easter Sunday, 2019. Pray for strength and comfort for the grieving, and for God's healing hands upon them.

Pray for our Missionaries – The Clarks. Ben is in Ontario, Canada serving at a Youth Camp with about 75 Tibetan teenagers from 22-28 August. Pray the participants will be open to the gospel. Pray for Melinda and their daughters Kensie and Savannah as they remain in the US.

Tuesday 24 August 2021

Pray for Christians of Sri Lanka - Pray for the church in Sri Lanka to be a source of light and comfort to those who are hurting. Pray for the persecuted believers to trust in the hope that God gives them.

Pray for our Missionary - The McKellehers. Edna is serving with the Pearl Family Garden in the red light district of Taiwan. Pray that God would work in their hearts to leave the sex trade and that He would provide new work for them. Pray for protection for Edna and the team as they reach out.

Wednesday 25 August 2021

Pray for those who persecute Christians in Sri Lanka - Jesus commands us to love our enemies and to pray for those who persecute us. Pray for grace and forgiveness for those who persecute the church -- that they come to know the true and loving God.

Pray for our Missions Partner, KidsReach - Thanks to Zoom the Bible College program, School of Children's Ministry in Sri Lanka, has more students than ever. They also reach the community through practical help and food parcels. Pray for David Goodwin as he lectures, and for protection and wisdom for Shanti, the KidsReach director in Sri Lanka, and her staff.

Thursday 26 August 2021

Pray for the religious tensions in Sri Lanka - Persecution against Christians comes from the Buddhists, Hindus and the Muslims extremists. At least 250 churches were destroyed or damaged in recent years. Ancient spirits, gods, and demons still hold power. Pray for the power of Christ to break these strongholds. Pray that the church will be strengthened and continue to grow.

Pray for our Missionary - The Rahardjas are serving in Singapore. Praise God that the Singapore government has loosened the covid restrictions and those vaccinated can go out to fellowship and share the good news. The Rahardja family is well and their two elder children are back to school.



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Friday 27 August 2021

Pray for racial tensions in Sri Lanka - Sri Lanka is a country of multiple ethnicities. Over the years there have been strong tensions between the Sinhalese and the Sri Lankan Tamils. Pray for God-given wisdom over Sri Lankan leaders that they usher in a season of reconciliation. Pray for physical and relational healing after a generation of civil war.

Pray for our Missionaries – JT and family. Thank God that JT, Queenie and family are back in Sydney. Pray for wisdom when they can return safely to Thailand (currently 22,000 daily Covid cases). Many locals returned to the region they minister in, Isan, from bigger cities due to lockdowns and loss of income, causing strain to families who struggle to provide.

Saturday 28 August 2021

Pray for the government of Sri Lanka - Though it relies on a multi-party system, executive power is exercised by the President of Sri Lanka. Pray that the government will bring security, stability and justice for all ethnic and religious groups, and freedom for the gospel.

Pray for our Missionaries. – The Patersons. Pray for Sarah Peterson who leads the OMF NSW team for wisdom and guidance as she juggles the travel restrictions and dilemmas of the missionaries serving in various fields. Pray for someone to take on the OMF NSW member care role that will be vacant later this year. They have at least 16 families needing pastoral care over the coming months.

Sunday 29 August 2021

Pray for the Christians and the people of Sri Lanka - Sri Lanka's population practices a variety of religions. 70.2% are Buddhists, 12.6% Hindus, 9.7% Muslims (mainly Sunni), 7.4% Christians (mostly Catholics) and 0.05% others. Pray for the unity and maturity for the indigenous Church as it faces divisions and differences.

Pray for our Missions Partner –Heart for Kids. The Ministry faced many challenges in having secure communications with their staff and partner organization in East Asia. Pray for security in this area. Pray against local persecution too. Pray that they can continue to run Child Development centers during lockdowns.



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