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- 19** PRAY that Muslims will be curious about the prophet Isa (Jesus). May Scripture booklets be available to answer their questions.
To give knowledge of salvation... by the remission of their sins,... to give light to those who sit in darkness and the shadow of death, to guide our feet into the way of peace. (Luke 1:77-79)
PRAY for the people who speak Oraon.
- 20** PRAY for the **WMP Board Meeting** today as they go over reports, make decisions, and plan for the future. Pray that the Holy Spirit will guide them and give them wisdom.
Be steadfast, immovable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, knowing that your labor is not in vain in the Lord. (1 Corinthians 15:58b)
PRAY for the people who speak Oromiffa.
- 21** PRAY for **Andrew, Nate, and Kaitlyn**, our **Product Development Team**, designing printed materials, videos, online booklets and social media posts.
Wait on the Lord; be of good courage, and He shall strengthen your heart. (Psalm 27:14a)
PRAY for the people who speak Otetela.
- 22** PRAY for our **web press**, which is essential to meeting production quotas, and for **Brian B., Jonathan, and Nolan**, the operators who run and maintain it.
Not lagging in diligence, fervent in spirit, serving the Lord. (Romans 12:11)
PRAY for the people who speak Paite.
- 23** PRAISE God for safe arrival of Shipments to South Asia, Philippines (2), DR Congo (2), Mexico, El Salvador, Colombia, and Guatemala.
And the Lord, He is the One who goes before you. He will be with you....Do not fear nor be dismayed. (Deuteronomy 31:8)
PRAY for the people who speak Pampangon.
- 24** PRAISE the Lord for the new workers He has provided recently in both office and production areas.
And my God shall supply all your need according to His riches in glory by Christ Jesus. (Philippians 4:19)
PRAY for the people who speak Pangasinan.
- 25** PRAY for our **IT Department**, that **Landon and Mike A.** have the wisdom to keep our computers operating well, and free from cyber attacks.
Commit your works to the Lord, and your thoughts will be established. (Proverbs 16:3)
PRAY for the people who speak Papiamento.

- 26** PRAY that all supplies needed will not increase significantly in price and be available without undue delays— paper, ink, boxes, pallets, etc.
[He] is able to do exceedingly abundantly above all that we ask or think, according to the power that works in us. (Ephesians 3:20)
PRAY for the people who speak Para.
- 27** PRAY for **Beth, Ron, Marilyn, and Randy** working with translators, formatting and proof reading all booklets, in all languages, including 9 new ones. (Azeri, Garifuna, Mende, Ndebele, Pashtu, Sorani, Swedish, Tenek, and Wolof.)
So many kinds of languages in the world, and none of them is without significance. (1 Corinthians 14:10)
PRAY for the people who speak Persian.
- 28** PRAY for **Steve W.** and the **Safety Committee**, which considers precautions and compliance with legal requirements. PRAY for protection over **WMP's** facility.
You alone, O Lord, make me dwell in safety. (Psalm 4:8b)
PRAY for the people who speak Pokot.
- 29** **MEMORIAL DAY:** PRAY for all active and inactive veterans who have sacrificed for the good of their country. PRAY for those with lasting handicaps, or mental problems because of their experiences. PRAY for salvation where needed.
Likewise the soldiers asked him, saying, "And what shall we do?" So he said to them, "Do not intimidate anyone or accuse falsely, and be content with your wages." (Luke 3:14)
PRAY for the people who speak Polish.
- 30** PRAY for **Twila Y., Prepress Supervisor**, as she prepares complex production schedules and the prepress department as they supply plates for both presses.
Trust in the Lord with all your heart, and lean not on your own understanding; in all your ways acknowledge Him, and He shall direct your paths. (Proverbs 3:5-6)
PRAY for the people who speak Portuguese.
- 31** PRAY that God will use **WMP's** mobile app with more than 700 Scripture booklets, 39 audio booklets in 14 languages and push notification of shipment updates and podcasts.
Many who hear the word believed. (Acts 4:4a)
PRAY for the people who speak Portuguese-Creole.

Dear Friends and Prayer Partners,

Jesus marveled at the "great faith" of the Roman centurion and He marveled at the unbelief of His hometown. (Matthew 8:5-10; Mark 6:1-6) I wonder sometimes, does He marvel about my faith or lack thereof. Is He satisfied with my faith responses?

The disciples had lots of success casting out demons, so why did they fail at the foot of the mount of transfiguration? They put faith in their own abilities, no longer believing in Jesus. Jesus said, "If you just **have faith as a mustard seed, you will say to this mountain, 'Move from here to there,' and it will move; and nothing will be impossible for you** (Matt.17:20). We want that kind of faith, but is that enough?

When the disciples were caught in a storm, a mustard seed faith should have been able to stop it, but instead they woke Jesus in a panic. Jesus asks "**Why were you fearful, o you of little faith?**" (Matthew 8:26) "**How is it that you have no faith?**" (Mark 4:40) and "**Where is your faith?**" (Luke 8:25) Mustard seed faith is the flame of a match easily snuffed out, even though needed to start a larger fire.

It wasn't the desire to do miracles that made the disciples ask for increased faith. It was their inability to forgiving the same person 7 times in one day. Jesus begins with the theatrics of mustard seed faith, but then describes the tedium of a slave's day, ending with the admonition: **when you have done all those things which you are commanded, say, 'We are unprofitable servants. We have done what was our duty to do'** (Luke 17:10). **WMP** often receives miraculous testimonies, but most correspondence simply testifies to the life changing power Jesus makes in a person's life. Miracles might strengthen my faith, but they should not be the source of my faith. Jesus must always be the basis of faith.

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Prayer and Praise

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(Please look up the language listed each day to find out who speaks it and how to pray.)

- 1 **DAILY FOCUS FOR MAY:** PRAY that moving our two established booklet binderies to their new location will go smoothly and that production will not be compromised during the relocation. *Safety is of the LORD. (Proverbs 21:31b, KJV)*
PRAY for people who speak Naga.
- 2 PRAY for **Brian L., Nathan, and Aaron** as they operate our **Man Roland Press**. Pray paper for our booklet covers is readily available. *Our soul waits for the Lord; He is our help and our shield. (Psalm 33:20)*
PRAY for the people who speak Navajo.
- 3 PRAY for safe arrival of shipments soon to leave for Uruguay, South Asia, Tanzania, Ethiopia, Ecuador, and Guatemala. PRAY that empty ship containers will be available when needed. *The crooked places shall be made straight and the rough places smooth. The Word of our God stands forever. (Isaiah 40:4b, 8b)*
PRAY for the people who speak Ncam (Bassar).
- 4 **NATIONAL DAY OF PRAYER.** Join us at the World Prayer Center (11:00 to 1:00), or with others, in prayer for our leaders, nation and fellow citizens on this declared day of prayer. *Confess your trespasses to one another, and pray for one another, that you may be healed. The effective, fervent prayer of a righteous man avails much. (James 5:16)*
PRAY for the people who speak Ndau.
- 5 PRAY for our coordinators and distributors in Honduras and Mexico. *Grant to Your servants that with all boldness they may speak Your Word. (Acts 4:29)*
PRAY for the people who speak Ndonga.
- 6 PRAY for our staff and volunteers. On the job, pray for safety, stamina, protection from accidents, wisdom and discernment. *Be steadfast, immovable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, knowing that your labor is not in vain in the Lord. (1 Corinthians 15:58b)*
PRAY for the people who speak Ndonga.

- 7 PRAY for hurting Christians who suffer for their Lord. PRAY for believers in Sudan, Iraq, Syria, Maldives, China, Qatar, Vietnam, and Egypt. *But rejoice to the extent that you partake of Christ's sufferings, that when His glory is revealed, you may also be glad with exceeding joy. (1 Peter 4:13)*
PRAY for the people who speak Nebaj Ixil.
- 8 PRAY for **Joe C., Director, Ambassador Network**, as he produces podcasts, blog posts and other materials used by our Ambassadors in the local churches. Pray that God will use the material available at www.wmpambassadors.org. *Serving the Lord; rejoicing in hope.... continuing steadfastly in prayer. (Romans 12:11b-12)*
PRAY for the people who speak Nembe.
- 9 PRAISE God for the privilege of printing and shipping the Word of God around the world. REJOICE for the amount of Scripture booklets that are handed out each month leading many to salvation. *Now thanks be to God who always leads us in triumph in Christ, and through us diffuses the fragrance of His knowledge in every place. (2 Corinthians 2:14)*
PRAY for the people who speak Nepali.
- 10 PRAY for **WMP's** goal of increasing production by 20% in 2023, so we can fill the new, repeat, and urgent orders for booklets received every day. *Pray for us, that the Word of the Lord may have free course and be glorified. (2 Thessalonians 3:1b)*
PRAY for the people who speak Ngakarimjong.
- 11 PRAY for **Harold Mack, President of WMP**, to be endowed with God given leadership skills as he supervises with wisdom, grace, and discernment the work of **WMP**. *That the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give to you the spirit of wisdom and revelation in the knowledge of Him. (Ephesians 1:17)*
PRAY for the people who speak Ngambai.
- 12 PRAY for **Jerry W., Vice-president, Plant Operations**, as he oversees overall production and maintenance of facilities. *Now may the Lord of peace Himself give you peace always in every way. The Lord be with you all. (2 Thessalonians 3:16)*
PRAY for the people who speak Ngo-Chang.

- 13 PRAY for **Helen W., Director of Orders and Distribution**, as she communicates with national coordinators and translators; oversees freight shipments; and coordinates orders. *He who continually goes forth weeping, bearing seed for sowing, shall doubtless come again with rejoicing, bringing his sheaves with him. (Psalm 126:6)*
PRAY for the people who speak Norwegian.
- 14 PRAY for all Mothers today, but especially for those mothers whose husbands have been killed or imprisoned, who have been abandoned by their unbelieving husbands, and/or separated from their children because of Jesus Christ. *Our inheritance has been turned over to aliens, And our houses to foreigners. We have become orphans and waifs, our mothers are like widows. (Lamentations 5:2,3)*
PRAY for the people who speak Nupe.
- 15 PRAY for our **Small Order Department. Dale, Nick, Gary** and other volunteers fill small orders involving many titles and languages. *The Lord gives wisdom; from His mouth come knowledge and understanding. (Proverbs 2:6)*
PRAY for the people who speak Nyaneka.
- 16 Pray for **Alison B., Director of Partner Relations**, and her team as they help build relationships and communicate with our partners through newsletters, emails, and events. *For the administration of this service not only supplies the needs of the saints, but also is abounding through many thanksgivings to God. (2 Corinthians 9:12)*
PRAY for the people who speak Nzebi.
- 17 Pray for safety of shipments on their way to the Dominican Republic (2), South Asia, Burkina Faso, Gabon, Eswatini, Cote D'Ivoire, Russia, Zambia, Burundi, Tanzania, and South Africa. *The Lord shall preserve your going out and your coming in from this time forth, and even forevermore. (Psalm 121:8)*
PRAY for the people who speak Nzema.
- 18 PRAY for the **Finance Committee** semi annual meeting today. PRAY for the **Donors to WMP** who share sacrificially to spread the good news of Jesus worldwide. *And my God shall supply all your need according to His riches in glory by Christ Jesus. (Philippians 4:19)*
PRAY for the people who speak Odia.