

A United Call for Prayer on behalf of all Oral Peoples, and for those working in Orality/UUPGs & Great Commission Partner groups.

"Devote yourselves to prayer being watchful and thankful. ... that we may proclaim the mystery of Christ." (Col. 4:2-4)

Praying Each Thursday

EACH THURSDAY we ask you to link in united prayer for those working in Orality & for our Great Commission Partners. *If you are available, please join us live...

Each Thurs at 2 pm (EDT) GMT-4

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Praying for the UUPGs & Bible-less Oral Peoples...

Pursuing God for Spiritual Awakening and Global Harvest
We continue our focused strategic prayer for specific peoples of the world who are primarily oral and are still unengaged. **Our prayer strategy will be to bring the remaining people groups that are unengaged unreached (UUPG) into focus.**

This month as we focus on the regions of **The Americas, Canada & Caribbean Regions** we find **167 UUPGs**. This information is taken from Joshua Project who is linking to the Great Commission Partners & Finishing the Task (FTT). We are also intentionally linking w/Harvest Ethne Prayer Strategy Network's 12 month calendar for unreached people groups (UPG) for united prayer across the prayer networks around the globe.



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Harvest Ethne Prayer Network

The Americas, Canada & Caribbean Regions

This month, as we look at the Americas & Caribbean we find **167 UUPGs** listed in Joshua Project in the countries of these regions.

*This includes people groups with **unknown** engagement status)

[1] Unengaged means no known on-site, active

church planting currently underway.

[2] Joshua Project's primary source for engagement status in people groups outside South Asia is the IMB's CPPI database. For people groups without known engagement status, Joshua Project defaults to unengaged. Most South Asian groups are marked as unengaged because the status is unknown but many may actually be engaged.

UUPGs by Religion in this Region: 167

Central & South America – 59 UUPGs

Residing inside their borders.

United States – 57 UUPGs

Residing inside their borders.

Canada – 30 UUPGs

Residing inside their borders.

Caribbean – 21 UUPGs

Residing inside their borders.

Source: <http://legacy.joshuaproject.net/unengaged.php>

Understanding LOSTNESS here in our regions...

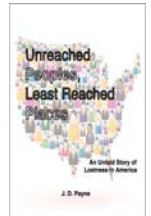
[Unreached Peoples, Least Reached Places: An Untold Story of Lostness in America](#) - Free Ebook: [Unreached Peoples, Least Reached Places](#)

JD Payne – Released March 3rd, 2014

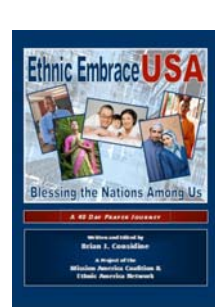
[Unreached Peoples, Least Reached Places: An Untold Story of Lostness in America](#) is now available to download. It's brief, about fifty pages.

That is intentional, it was written to be read quickly. The pastors with The Church at Brook Hills are always asking how we can best equip our faith family for the work of the ministry (Eph 4:11-12). Part of shepherding others to reach the nations requires painting a picture of the realities of lostness. Therefore, JD wrote this short ebook for his church people and it can now be shared with others. *Unreached Peoples, Least Reached Places* is written to cast a vision of reality in the United States. We know much about lostness in other parts of the world; we know little about it in our backyard. One of the convictions that we hold as a faith family is to give away many of our resources for Kingdom advancement. With this in mind, I am releasing this book to you. I pray that it will be a blessing to you and your ministry. So... Download your copy.

If you do, tell others to get a copy. Spread the word, far and wide. Take it. Give it away. Use it for leading your church to the nations in this nation and beyond. If you do, tell others to get a copy. Spread the word, far and wide. Source: <http://www.JDPayne.org>



Ethnic Embrace USA Release



Just before New Year's a new book was released that is an excellent prayer resource - *"Ethnic Embrace USA - Blessing the Nations Among Us"* The feedback so far is all good. Have you purchased a copy yet? You can by clicking the cover above. Buy a few copies and share them with your friends.

Source: <http://www.ethnicembraceusa.net>

Global Day of Prayer

June 8, 2014

Joint 12 Hour 8-8 (EDT)

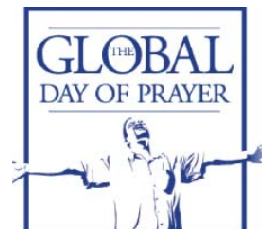
Global Prayer Call

This call is a collaborative work of The Persecution Watch, International Orality Network, Mission America Coalition - U.S. Lausanne & Global Prayer Resource Network. This 12 hour Global Prayer Conference Call is open. Download the flyer at:

 [GDOP 2014 Final Flyer](#)

http://www.getamericapraying.com/groupdocs/90_1398230774.pdf

We want to thank Persecution Watch who will facilitate and hope others will come on in and link into the call.



Praying for Training...

Kids Around the World – Provides exciting opportunities to share the Bible with children. To find out more on the trainings: http://www.kidsaroundtheworld.com/?page_id=1743

Living Water Int'l - Introduction to Contextual Bible Storying - Join in prayer for the upcoming workshops around the globe. For info visit <http://www.water.cc/orality>

School of Storying – StoryRunners Exciting opportunities at the Orlando School of Storying. Are you a teachable, strategic thinker and innovative problem solver? <http://www.storyrunners.com/>

Simply the Story - For info on STS and global training opportunities see: <http://www.simplythestory.org>

Story Training for Trainers Workshop (ST4T) with e3Partners Ministry. For more on trainings: <http://www.e3partners.org/orality/>

Please join in praying for posted trainings: <http://ion2008.ning.com/m?id=2118812%3AMobilePage%3A39166/>

***IF your group does orality training**, please join the Community area of our ION Website and post your events. <http://Orality.net>

Praying for Orality Partners...

Please join in praying for orality/ION Prayer Requests and follow the prayer calendar for events & trainings: <http://www.orality.net/prayers-calendar>

You may subscribe to the ION Monthly Prayer Focus: Simply by sending an email to IONPrayer@gmail.com asking to subscribe. Thank you for your prayers and linking to us.



International Orality Network is now on Twitter! https://mobile.twitter.com/_oralitynetwork

If you are on Twitter, or Facebook, we would appreciate you connecting to us! Looking forward to re-tweeting together!

Praying for Training...



MissioNexus Mission Leaders Conference 2014
September 25-27, Atlanta

Missio Nexus is combining three annual events into one integrated mission event: The conference will take place in Atlanta, Sept. 25-27, at the Hilton

Atlanta Downtown. Topics: Immigration & Migration, Urbanization, Exploitation & Globalization.

<http://www.missionexus.org/mission-leaders-conference/>

Prayer Resources Available... Check these out...



Operation World <http://www.operationworld.org/partners-prayer/>

GPRN <http://www.globalprn.com/>

WEC <http://www.globalprayer365.com/>

InterVarsity Press <http://www.ivpress.com/>

Biblica <http://www.biblica.com/>

WIN1040 <http://www.win1040.com/>

GMI <http://www.gmi.org/>

PrayerGuard/PrayerCentralAsia <http://www.prayerguard.net/>

Orality Focused Prayer Requests



Davar Partners prayer requests.

- 1. Interactive Bible Discovery Training, Middle East (6-11 June):** Pray for the arrangements for this training. We are trusting the Lord that the right trainees will be identified.
- 2. Ndau (Mozambique) Old Testament:** Our two technicians are experiencing God's favour as they have already completed 73% of this recording after only starting to record on the 24th of March. This is a record time, all the glory to God! Pray for further favour on the recording as they are heading towards the end.
- 3. IsiXhosa (South Africa) recording:** Tim Allicino, our service provider and team are making good progress with this recording in the midst of major challenges. Pray that the team will stay strong and will persevere in faith. Pray for the appointment of 3 new narrators.

Last year, Davar recorded the Bible in 7 languages. This year 2014, we are scheduled already for 27. Most of these are done in the field w/native speakers as narrators, proof readers, proof listeners & a recording team. The process in the field takes 4-6 months, then mastering in South African offices takes an additional 3-4 months. As you can imagine, there are many challenges even after the agreements with the Bible Societies & service providers are arranged. Thanks for your continued intercession as Davar Partners works to release audio Bibles for the oral peoples of the world.

Source: Davar Partners <http://davarpartners.com/>

Orality Focused Prayer Requests

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DEAF PEOPLES - StoryOne Base Training Camps are needed in many countries in Africa. Lift up missionaries in Africa as they prepare for these camps, and then invite and train the Deaf. Pray for all the resources and logistics needed for the camps to fall into place. Ask God to send the Deaf to the camps to be trained in crafting Bible stories in their heart language. Pray for those who will be teaching to be clear as they teach His stories.

TUAREG OF THE SAHARA DESERT (TWAR-eg) - It was a hot, sunny day when a family of believers met Anthony* at his new home. He had left a war-torn land to return with his family to his mother's home. His entire family heard stories of Jesus that day and were interested in hearing more. The next time the family stopped by, it was moving day. Anthony and his family were moving to a new house just a short walk away, so they jumped in and helped them move and shared more of the love of God with them. Each time that family or another local believer visited Anthony's house, everyone present listened to what was being said and wanted to hear more. Not long afterwards, Anthony took his wife and children and returned to the war-torn land of the Sahara. Please pray for Anthony and his family to have dreams of Jesus and contact with believers in their new home. (*pseudonym)

PEOPLE OF THE UNENGAGED CITIES OF EAST JAPAN - The recovery following the earthquake and tsunami on March 11, 2011, which rattled Japan and ravaged more than 600 miles of its coastline, seems excruciatingly slow. More than 140,000 survivors, whose lives were changed forever, remain in temporary housing. Thousands are still without jobs. Young families continue to leave the area in search of a new life elsewhere. "Heart care" remains a high priority as victims (especially males and the elderly) hide inside--grieving, fearful, angry, lonely, hopeless and depressed--and refuse to come out. Pray for the leaders responsible for the reconstruction to be sensitive to the needs and desires of the people. Pray that survivors living in Iwate, Miyagi and Fukushima Prefectures will find hope, healing, joy and peace as they accept salvation through Christ and grasp the Gospel message they have heard over these past three years. Pray for people to see Jesus and make Him their Savior and Lord!

CHUABO OF MOZAMBIQUE (SHWAH-boh) - Just imagine women and young girls walking one to two miles every day to get clean water, and the "clean water" they are getting is not all that clean. But now, through the Living Water Project, many women and young girls don't have to travel very long for clean water to drink! Please pray for the Living Water Project among the Chuabo of Mozambique. Pray that as people receive a water well in their village, they will be open to receiving also the true Living Water who can cleanse them from their sins. Ask God to open many doors where the Gospel can be shared in the many villages that will receive a water well.

DEAF PEOPLES - "Can you do anything to make the bad go away?" On a day trip with Deaf friends, Phun* took us to a Hindu temple. He explained that some statues were Chinese, Hindu or Buddhist. In one area was a mat with an open-ended cylinder container, with sticks in it. Phun knelt on the mat, bowed before the statues, picked up the cylinder, and shook it until a stick came out. The stick had #35 on it. Phun walked over to an area with drawers. He found Drawer #35 and drew out a small piece of paper. He looked sad and said, 'The paper told me that I drink and smoke too much; therefore, I'm bad. I can do nothing to take the bad away.' My friend told the biblical story called 'Two Houses'. Phun said that there are many ways to heaven. I told the story called 'I Am the Way.' Phun was surprised at this teaching about the absolute Way to heaven. He asked about demons, so I told the story called 'Man With a Legion of Demons.' Phun was amazed

at the power of Jesus to cast out demons. However, the aura of sadness remained as the day-trip ended. Phun and I exchanged numbers. I promised that when I came to Bangkok, I'd contact him. Pray that Phun will remember the stories and trust in Jesus." (*pseudonym)

LOMWE OF MALAWI AND MOZAMBIQUE (LOHM-way) - The people of "Epistle Village" have been hearing chronological Bible teaching for a few months now. Recently they heard that God refused to allow His people (with the notable exceptions of Joshua and Caleb) to enter the Promised Land because of a lack of faith. Since the story of The Fall of Man, those living in "Epistle Village" have heard about the consequences of failing to believe what God says and acting accordingly. Pray that this repeated theme will be used by the Holy Spirit to show the people of "Epistle Village" their need for the Savior.

SUB-SAHARAN AFRICAN UNENGAGED PEOPLES - Please continue to pray for the ongoing research among the unengaged, unreached people groups (UUPGs) in East Africa. Preliminary reports are that many of these groups are indeed unengaged and unreached, but live among groups that do have access to the Gospel. They just live and function separately, with no effort being made to bring them to Christ. Jesus said that His return will not come until every tribe and every nation hears the Word of the Lord (Matthew 24:14). Please pray for wisdom to know the best way to begin work among these peoples, and for hearts to answer God's call to come and serve Him in reaching these who are lost. With your prayers, the battle is half won!

CHITTAGONG MUSLIMS OF BANGLADESH (chit-TAH-gong) - "Praise God for our female national partners! One of them participated in a training session that combines health teaching with chronological Bible storying, and she is seeing some success. As a result of her applying what she learned and sharing the Gospel with them, 12 new members of our heavenly family were recently baptized."

EAST ASIAN UNENGAGED PEOPLES - Please pray for the Yangliu Lalu of western Yunnan province (near the Myanmar border). They number approximately 45,000 souls, most of whom have never had the first chance to hear the name of Jesus Christ or the Gospel. There are no known churches among these people. There is no evangelistic material in their language. But the Yangliu Lalu language may be dying, so please pray that the ones who can understand Mandarin will soon have the opportunity to hear the Good News and receive salvation in Jesus Christ. The Yangliu Lalu are known to worship their ancestors. Please pray that they will be set free from this practice by the redeeming grace of God.

SUB-SAHARAN AFRICAN UNENGAGED PEOPLES - You are a refugee. You were not safe in your own country. You left quickly. You saw terrible suffering before you left. You are unsure about the basics of life: where your family members are, food, water, and shelter. This is the situation of the refugees and internally displaced people (IDPs) from South Sudan. Now imagine that you do not know the only good, loving God who created you, cares for you, and died to give you life. Pray for the people who have left South Sudan and fled to refugee camps. Ask for their physical needs to be met. Ask for the greatest need of their life to be met: to know Jesus Christ as Lord.

NIAMEY, NIGER (NEE-ah-may) - There is one Christian radio and television station in Niamey. Praise God for the willingness of the authorities to grant the license! There is new programming on the radio station in several ethnic languages, as well as a new tower that has a farther reach. The Gospel message is now able to reach areas of Niger that are closed to expatriates and traditional methods of spreading the Gospel. Ask God to use this radio and television station to draw many people into a relationship with Himself. Pray

that their ears will be open to the messages and that their hearts will be lightened and softened toward the Gospel.

SOUTHEAST ASIAN PEOPLES - Two female workers shared chronological Bible stories and provided health lessons to a small women's group in a floating village. Please pray that God's Spirit will enable these young believers to grow deeper and stronger in their faith. Pray for their spiritual and physical protection.

SWAHILI-SPEAKING ARABS OF EAST AFRICA (*swah-HEE-lee*) - Teaching English in "Rock City" is often humorous and occasionally sad. Believers have the luxury of sharing Truth in their classes whenever they want, and they often schedule stories from the Bible or discussion topics that they know will lead to Truth. But sometimes opportunities to share Truth come unexpectedly. Here are a few examples: While practicing reflexive pronouns, one teacher asked, "What are some decisions that you make by yourself?" ("Yourself" is a reflexive pronoun, in case you've forgotten.) The ensuing discussion landed on religion: Can you choose your own religion? The teacher shared that everyone who follows Jesus chooses for himself or herself. After much debate, the class concluded that as Muslims, they could choose another religion, but they really shouldn't because it would cause so many problems. In another class, a lecture on blessings turned into a question about "to heal," which was mispronounced like "hell," which eventually led a student to ask the teacher, "Are you scared of 'the fire of the afterlife'?" The teacher clearly shared the confidence she has from entrusting Jesus with her eternal destiny. Such opportunities occur in and out of class. Pray that believers in "Rock City" will make the most of every opportunity.

WASSULU OF MALI, GUINEA AND COTE D'IVOIRE (*WAH-soo-loo*) - Over the past two years, the Wassulu Team has asked you to pray for the village of "Tennille," where God worked incredibly in the heart of an older man and six others. The Lord also brought three other believers into the village by way of education and medical opportunities, which has been encouraging to the new believers and the Wassulu Team. Praise God today that the small body of believers in "Tennille" is still meeting and that two of the men are slowly learning some of the Bible stories and sharing them in the oral tradition! Give thanks to the Lord for the steadfastness of the "Tennille" believers, and ask continually for His mercies to be poured out upon these sisters and brothers in Christ.

SOKOTO FULANI OF NIGER (*SOH-koh-toh fu-LAH-nee*) - The Gospel is being heard by many as Sokoto Fulani believers are using memory cards (storage devices for digital information) containing stories from the Word to share with those who are seeking to know the Truth. Many new people have been requesting the memory cards so they can listen to the stories on their own. The memory cards make it easy to listen to the stories while at home or out herding their cattle. Pray that those who are seeking will choose to follow Jesus. Pray for the believers as they follow up with those who are interested.

ENGAGING CHURCHES - SUB-SAHARAN AFRICA - The president of the Togo Baptist Convention wrote to one of our missionaries in January, saying: "As of today there are many indigenous Baptist churches here in Togo who desire to engage an unengaged people group. The names of some being: Hahotoe Baptist, Notse Baptist, Gnagna Grace, Komah Baptist, Essotomde Baptist, Dapaong Grace Baptist and Moretan Baptist. But they would like to engage in partnership with a sister church in America." They want to step out, but not alone. Please ask God to call these churches and others in Togo to specific unengaged peoples. Pray that Baptist missionaries will be invited to train these churches in how to "go." Ask God to raise up churches in the United States that likewise long to engage the unengaged while working hand-in-hand with African brothers.

SOUTHEAST ASIAN UNENGAGED PEOPLES - The Muko-Muko (pronounced MOO-coh MOO-coh) are isolated. The roads into their area are difficult to travel. They have no developed industry or city in

their area. This is also a small people group with 50,000 souls. Pray for laborers for the harvest to go into this hard-to-reach area. Pray for open doors for these laborers to live among the Muko-Muko. Ask the Holy Spirit to prepare the soil of their hearts for broad Gospel seed-sowing. Pray for all 12 of the unengaged, unreached people groups (UUPGs) of Sumatra, Indonesia, to have the opportunity to hear the Truth that can set them free.

LAST FRONTIER - "Last month we asked you to pray for a partner who has hired two employees from a Last Frontier people group to help him in his business. Join us in giving thanks to God for like-minded partners who are using their own means and time to encourage and train employees such as these in the Truth! Now the two employees are seeking to get permission to extend their stay in this country in order to keep working with this partner. Ask that the approval process will go smoothly for them and that they will be granted a generous extension."

UNREACHED PEOPLES OF NORTH BRAZIL - Please pray for North Brazil Team members Jim* and Cathy* and their family as they live with a family from the CAM people group. They need God's grace to learn more of the language and culture to understand the CAM people. They have been storying the Bible chronologically among the CAM every Thursday night, and they have plans to begin a new study on Tuesday evenings. Pray that God will give them wisdom and open the hearts of the people to Jesus Christ. Pray that they will not grow discouraged, but will find new strength in the Lord to continue the work. Pray that relationships with other team members will be strong and unified for the sake of the Gospel. (*pseudonyms)

N. AFRICAN & MIDDLE EASTERN UNENGAGED PEOPLES - Because the unengaged, unreached people groups (UUPGs) of North Africa have nobody working directly with them, pray that they will be exposed to the Resurrection message and resulting hope via satellite television, the radio, the Internet, or numerous social media outlets. Ask for them to seek God and find the Story in online Bibles and discuss the holiday in chat rooms with believers. Pray that they will accept the Word of God as such and not as the mere word of men. Ask God to draw these lost souls to Himself. Pray for these Arabs, Berbers and Bedouins to be delivered from darkness into light on this glorious day! He is able!

BALINESE OF INDONESIA (*bah-luh-NEEZ*) - "Do you have a story in your Holy Book about a man walking through a river on dry land?" That was the question asked by Mrs. T after hearing the story of "Creation to Christ" from a group of visiting believers. As the believers shared different Bible stories, Mrs. T would frequently interrupt them and say, "I had a dream about that. I want to trust and follow Jesus." Please pray that she will truly grow in her faith. Pray that Mrs. T will be bold in sharing her faith with her family and neighbors. Persecution here is real.

JOLA-FONYI OF SENEGAL AND THE GAMBIA (*JOH-luh-FOH-nyee*) - "Thank you for praying for the 'vision team' that came from a church in Idaho. We visited and shared the 'Creation to Christ' stories with 100 people in five different villages. Many of the people we shared with had good questions and wanted to hear more, while others listened quietly and then said that they were happy to stay with their traditional beliefs. Each day we prayed that God would show us which village He would have this church adopt for prayer and evangelization. God was faithful and answered our prayers, as the team decided that God was calling them to adopt Village K. Please continue to pray for them as they make plans and equip others in this small church to come and share God's Word later in the year in Village K."

Source: International Mission Board Prayer Director, Ed Cox
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