

# **AFRICA**

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#### **Botswana**

Pray for the Word of God to prevail in the strengthening of local churches as they battle with some church members believing in old tribal rituals and syncretism alongside their Christian faith; for the country to stand for righteousness and justice amidst pressures to adopt pro-LGBTQ agendas.

#### Cameroon

Pray that God would transform hearts to turn away from corruption and violence in light of frequent ethnic clashes; for media opportunities of TV and radio to reach less reached people including Muslims, the northern people and individuals living in the Mandara Mountains; for the youth to hear and respond to the Gospel.

### **Eswatini**

Pray for salvation of the king and the royal family, and their lavish lifestyle to be replaced with compassion and reform as 2/3 of the population live in poverty; for the Church to actively reach out in love and practical kindness to those who are HIV-positive – the highest rate in the world with many orphan children replacing caregivers to lead their families.



### The Gambia

Pray for provision for the poor as it is one of the poorest nations; for unhampered and accurate translation work for many languages with no Bible in more isolated areas; for improved education for boys and girls as the nation has the world's highest migration rate to Europe.



#### Ghana

Pray for the decrease of unprecedented crime rates, violence, indiscipline and public disorder in the aftermath of the covid-19 lockdown; attitudes to the LGBTQ community within and outside the Church to be in line with biblical principles; and the Church to regain its voice and impact on policy.

### Kenya

Pray for the end of government corruption that continues to broaden the gap between rich and poor; for fresh Holy Spirit fire among the majority, though nominal, Christian population to boldly serve and evangelise to their communities who face regular droughts and political unrest; for a strong economy with employment opportunities as almost 75% of the population are under the age of 30.



### Lesotho

Pray for Christian leaders to have access to solid, Bible-based theological training and great discernment to root out traditional beliefs from those seeking to follow Jesus; for anointing and fruitfulness on the work of Scripture Union who share God's Word with young people through school groups; for a radical transformation in mindsets about women as it has one of the highest rates of rape in the world.



#### Malawi

Pray for courage for leaders many of whom are Christians to bring justice for the issues of poverty and unemployment especially for young people who make up 25% of the population; for Bibles and theological instruction for underresourced believers; for godly wisdom for Malawi leaders many of whom are church members to provide helpful ministries to those with HIV/AIDS.

### **Mauritius**

Pray for strong Christian leaders to help advance the Gospel in a Hindu majority within all areas of society; for young people who are one of the primary groups using opium that they would be set free from the influence of drugs and accept the Gospel in spite of family pressures; for church leaders to stay true to biblical principles among the erosion of traditional values and the prevalence of violent crime and sexual immorality.



### Mozambique

Pray for an end of violence between rebel groups and the government who have caused the deaths of thousands and are responsible for a million refugees; for the equipping of new planted churches to resource congregations and in their evangelism especially to unreached peoples who are usually Muslim or animistic; for good infrastructures and sufficient resources with the country having 5 million cases of malaria each year along with other diseases.



### Namibia

Pray for leaders to confront the issue of corruption in their nation; for missionaries to have wisdom and discernment to develop specific approaches to reach the least evangelised people groups – the San, the Himba, and the peoples of the Kavango and Caprivi Strip; for the Word of God to prevail in the strengthening of local churches as they battle with some church members believing in old tribal rituals and syncretism alongside their Christian faith.

### **Nigeria**

Pray for the dismantling of widespread corruption which cripples society – especially the government and within the Church; for increasingly persecuted Christians (#9 on the Open Doors World Watch List) to be characterized by supernatural love and forgiveness, and for the youth of Nigeria for employment, and for hearts like Esther and Joseph to be extraordinary agents of His Kingdom bravely leading their nation with wisdom, mercy, and justice.



### Rwanda

Pray for the Church to lead in national repentance, reconciliation, and healing from the 1994 massacre; for patience, cooperation, and justice to characterise the military-political relationships between Rwanda, Burundi, Congo-DRC, and Uganda; for sustainable solutions to combat poverty brought by rapid population growth and limited land promises from generation to generation that are insufficient to feed families.



## **Seychelles**

Pray for Holy Spirit illumination for Seychellois who claim to be Christian but practice voodoo-like spiritism; for greater equality as it has the most unequal distribution of wealth in Africa.

### Sierra Leone

Pray for local churches to be equipped in tending the spiritual, physical, and psychological needs of the community following the recent Ebola crisis of 2014–2015 as few leaders have training or secondary education; for anointing on Christian radio which is vital to reach the many illiterate people recovering from the atrocities of war; for employment for young people as 60% are currently unemployed.

#### **South Africa**

Pray for the Church to be a vessel of reconciliation in the long-standing history of racial tensions in the nation; for elections to be free and fair with no violence or corruption; for God to raise up godly leaders and business men and women that have ideas and a heart for empowering the nation especially young people – creating opportunities for further education and employment.





#### St Helena

Pray for a spiritual awakening as most Christians are nominal and church attendance continues to decline; for effective witness to those emigrating to find work elsewhere including the communications and military bases of Ascension and the Falkland Islands; for good decision-making and strategy around the issues of renewable energies, plastic pollution, and marine litter.

### Tanzania

Pray for emphatic Biblical teaching in churches that will, in turn, impact social problems especially poverty, witchcraft, abuse through spiritual superstition and occultism, and radical Islam; for trained, mature Christian leaders who will be able to evangelize the unreached in a predominantly rural nation including 1 million refugees from neighbouring nations; for the end of corruption that encourages widespread poverty.

# Uganda

Pray for revival in the body of Christ for fathers and mothers to equip and empower the youth who are leaving the country in hundreds of thousands to work abroad and teen pregnancy being another major problem; for righteous leaders in all spheres of influence to allow a peaceful transition of power that has not been possible since the country's independence.

### Zambia

Pray for a hunger for a personal relationship with Christ with too few knowing the Word of God or how to live a Christian life; for both external and homegrown solutions for illiteracy, sanitation, and clean water; for employment including for young people with many Zambian doctors, lawyers, businessmen, professionals, and pastors leaving to work abroad



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