

For the Least Reached

Prayer Guide



"'Ask of Me, and I will surely give the nations as Your inheritance, and the very ends of the earth as Your possession.'"

— Psalm 2:8, New American Standard Bible 1995

Thank you for praying with us!

Welcome to the Vietnam Prayer Guide. This monthly prayer guide forms part of For the Least Reached: A Year of Prayer, our one-year prayer initiative.

Each month we unite with the body of Christ in prayer for one least-reached country around the world. Many of the people in these countries have never heard the message of the gospel, or it's difficult for them to learn about Jesus or worship Him.

Learn more at jesusfilm.org/pray.



of all the world's unreached people—a whopping 3.6 billion people—live in the 12 countries that we will pray for this year.





Nestled in Southeast Asia, Vietnam is a captivating country known for its breathtaking natural beauty. Everything from the country's lush rice terraces to its pristine beaches, and its rich culture that includes delicious cuisine, vibrant traditions and warm hospitality, make it an appealing destination for travelers.

Travel with us as we learn about this nation and pray for God to continue working in and blessing the Vietnamese people.



Vietnam is located on the Indochina Peninsula in Southeast Asia. China lies north of the country, while Laos and Cambodia lie to the west. The South China Sea borders the east and the south.

Did you know?

- ▶ Pho, a popular Vietnamese noodle soup, is a national dish known for its flavorful broth.
- ► Ha Long Bay in Vietnam is known for its stunning emerald waters and thousands of limestone islands.
- ▶ The gibbon is a type of monkey that lives in dense forests and jungles in Vietnam. These energetic monkeys eat fruit, eggs and insects.
- ▶ Vietnam is the world's second-largest producer of coffee and seventh-largest producer of tea.
- ▶ Vietnam is home to 54 ethnic groups, each with its own unique traditions and languages. The JESUS film is available in 27 of these languages.



Praying for Vietnam

Vietnam has close to 100 million people. The majority do not follow any religion, and most have never heard about the God of the Bible or His plan of salvation. That's why we're excited you're joining us in prayer every day this month for the people of Vietnam.

Our prayer overall is that God will change the hearts of people who don't know Him, just like He did for the people of Israel. He promised in the book of Ezekiel: "I will give them an undivided heart and put a new spirit in them; I will remove from them their heart of stone and give them a heart of flesh. Then they will follow My decrees and be careful to keep My laws. They will be My people, and I will be their God" (Ezekiel 11:19-20, New International Version).

We hope these prayer guides help direct your prayers for people in countries outside of your own countries like Vietnam—where it can be difficult, and even dangerous, for believers and missionaries to share the story of Jesus. In order to protect the information of those working in this sensitive country, we've made these prayer requests general in nature. But that does not limit the impact of our prayers. God knows the exact need behind each request.

We encourage you to find daily time to pray for these requests. It can be easy to let life crowd out time with God. May the daily requests in this guide help you stay focused as you join us in prayer for the least reached in Vietnam.

Thank you for praying with us.

Jesus Film Project

Lucinda Mason

Prayer Mobilization, Team Leader





Week 1 Requests



□ Day 1	Pray for Christian workers to continue making progress in every Vietnamese province as they work together to share the good news of Jesus and plant churches. Their work has given rise to many new churches.
□ Day 2	May the Lord continue to spark interest in all who saw the <i>JESUS</i> film broadcast on TV over Christmas. May they continue to think and even dream about what they saw, so they will pursue knowing more about Jesus.
□ Day 3	Christians in Vietnam need more technical equipment for sharing Jesus-centered films, but lately there have been challenges to importing this equipment. Please pray for the Lord to open the door for the successful shipment of this technology.
□ Day 4	While the church in Vietnam has expanded greatly in the past several decades, restrictions to Christian activity still exist. Please pray for believers to not grow weary, to be bold in their faith and to have joy in Christ when facing local restrictions.
□ Day 5	Many young men enter a time of service in Vietnam's majority religion. Pray that the Lord would have mercy, revealing Himself and proclaiming His name to these boys and young men. Pray that the Lord would make Himself known to them so that they would experience His mercy and compassion, and honor Him as Lord of lords.
□ Day 6	Leaders across every area of society play key roles and make influential decisions. Pray they will seek the Lord's wisdom and be fair to those under their influence. "I urge, then, first of all, that petitions, prayers, intercession and thanksgiving be made for all people—for kings and all those in authority, that we may live peaceful and quiet lives in all godliness and holiness." — 1 Timothy 2:1-2, NIV
□ Day 7	Pray that God would enable on-campus Christian workers and their trainees to connect with and care for students on their campuses all across Vietnam.



Week 2 Requests



□ Day	Vietnam's minority Christian population can often face harsh treatment. Still, the church is growing. Pray for God's protection over these believers. Pray for their continued endurance, and for religious freedoms to expand in Vietnam.
□ Day	More Christian workers are needed to create and share gospel media tools with the people of Vietnam. Pray for more skilled workers to establish themselves in Vietnam, and for their work to result in the planting of many new church communities.
□ Day	Pray that established churches will collaborate with one another to help guide leaders of new churches.
□ Day	In the Bible, God places a high priority on the family unit. Pray that Vietnamese Christians will follow His lead and seek Him as a family. Pray for every city and province to have access to Christian resources on building up godly families.
□ Day	Ask God to raise up more Christians who follow Jesus whole-heartedly and desire to reach their school campuses with the gospel.
□ Day	Luke 10:2 is about believers working to grow the Kingdom of God. Set a phone alarm for 10:02 and pray for God to raise up more workers to take the gospel across Vietnam. "[Jesus] told them, 'The harvest is plentiful, but the workers are few. Ask the Lord of the harvest, therefore, to send out workers into His harvest field.'" — Luke 10:2, NIV
□ Day	Vietnam's satellite cities, which are adjacent to larger metropolitan areas, tend to have a smaller (or no) presence of Christians. Pray for an influx of new Christian workers and churches to help fill this gap.



Week 3 Requests



□ Day 15	Pray that tens of thousands of people would put their faith in Jesus Christ after watching Jesus-centered films screened by Vietnamese believers using new equipment.
□ Day 16	Pray for Christian workers to come up with creative strategies and resources to help plant new churches in Vietnamese communities where there are none.
□ Day 17	Praise God for His provision of ministry partners who come alongside Vietnamese Christian workers with their generous gifts and faithful prayers.
□ Day 18	Vietnam is both a source of and a destination for human trafficking. Pray for the victims of modern-day slavery to be able to escape and find physical and emotional healing. Pray the church can be a safe haven for them.
□ Day 19	Pray for many college students in Vietnam to get involved with Christian groups on their campuses. Through community with believers, pray that they come to know God, grow in their relationship with Him and learn to share their faith.
□ Day 20	Pray that people all across Vietnam will hear the gospel and turn to the Lord for salvation. "Turn to me and be saved, all you ends of the earth; for I am God, and there is no other." — Isaiah 45:22, NIV
□ Day 21	Praise God that some Christian media materials have been translated into the heart languages of each of the 54 ethnic groups in Vietnam. Pray that these translated materials will lead people to become believers and disciples across the country.



Week 4 Requests



□ Day 22	Pray that God will break spiritual strongholds and deception across Vietnam, and that hearts will be freed to hear and receive the truth of God's salvation.
□ Day 23	Tensions can sometimes rise between Vietnam's registered and unregistered churches. Pray for unity and love between all Christians and Christian communities—that there would be no strife or division among believers.
□ Day 24	Pray for Christian college graduates as they transition to the workplace. Ask that God would provide Christian fellowship wherever they go and that they would share the gospel with their co-workers who don't yet know they need Jesus.
□ Day 25	Many in Vietnam are seeking God online through Christian websites and ads. Pray for more volunteers to step up and help these truth-seekers learn more about God.
□ Day 26	Pray for the well-being of Christian workers in Vietnam. Pray for protection from harm, a close walk with God, for a healthy family and home life, and for partnerships with Christian churches and groups that work together toward reaching the unreached with the gospel.
□ Day 27	May Vietnamese Christians be quick to seek forgiveness when the Holy Spirit convicts them of sin. May they realize that God sees them as He sees Jesus: righteous and pure. "If we confess our sins, He is faithful and just and will forgive us our sins and purify us from all unrighteousness." — 1 John 1:9, NIV
□ Day 28	Praise God that 27 Vietnamese ethnic groups can access the <i>JESUS</i> film in their heart languages! Ask God to continue to provide for translation work so that the remaining 27 ethnic groups will have access to it in their heart languages, too.

Week 5 Requests



- Day 29 There are 63 provinces in Vietnam. Pray God raises up Christian workers in the unreached provinces to share the gospel and plant churches.
- Pray that gospel-centered movies could be broadcast on Vietnamese TV this year and that many people would trust in Jesus as a result. Pray for God to open doors and to grant Christians favor with broadcast stations.
- Lord Jesus, we thank You for giving us a chance to pray for Vietnam each day this month. We believe You will continue Your work there until everyone has heard clearly about Jesus and has had the chance to follow Him. Someday we'll see how You answered our prayers. May heaven be filled with Vietnamese people who started to follow Jesus in part due to our prayers this month. We give you all honor and praise



Resources

- You can see these requests and others in our <u>Prayer Experience</u>, a web based app.
- Joshua Project has a tremendous amount of information about every country. This link will take you to information about Turkey. joshuaproject.net/countries/VM
- Prayercast has great prayer videos: <u>prayercast.com/vietnam</u>
- ▶ A great way to help someone learn more about Jesus is to share the JESUS film in their heart language. We have over 2,000 languages available on our website. jesusfilm.org/watch/jesus
- We also have multiple other films and short videos available. jesusfilm.org/watch
- For more Jesus Film Project® prayer resources—including access to each month's family prayer guide—visit the prayer page on the Jesus Film Project website: jesusfilm.org/pray



The Jesus Film Project app is completely free and available on iOS and Android devices. Get the app now and start watching and sharing a huge library of Jesuscentered films.







Each month we will focus on a different least-reached country. Many of the people in these countries have never heard the message of the gospel, or it's difficult for them to learn about Jesus or worship Him. Nearly 75% of all the world's unreached people—a whopping 3.6 billion people—live in the 12 countries that we will pray for this year.

Learn more at jesusfilm.org/pray.



