

## UPCOMING MINISTRY EVENTS

**December 2:** We're hosting a web discussion with Dr. Erwin Lutzer, pastor emeritus of The Moody Church in Chicago, IL and author of *The Church in Babylon*.

**December 3:** Our School Without Walls (SWW) program will host a webinar for national and regional coordinators.

**December 19:** Our Next Generation Professional Leaders Initiative (NGPLI) will present an online and in-person conference.

**December 30:** SWW will host a web conference on "Results of the Year."

## YOUR PRAYERS ARE CHANGING LIVES!

Children like Salekh, who lives in Azerbaijan, desperately need your prayers!

This 6-year-old boy is just one among the countless number of children throughout Eurasia who live amid poverty, violence, and political strife. Children in Azerbaijan and Armenia have been caught in the recent crossfire of ongoing tension, protests, and conflict between their two countries over the disputed Nagorno-Karabakh region.

Through your prayers and partnership, our Gift of Hope children's evangelistic outreach will help deliver true hope this Christmas to 120,000 hurting children in Eurasia who need to hear the gospel. Many of these children live amid war and unrest in the countries of Armenia, Azerbaijan, Ukraine, and Belarus. A simple gift of toys, sweets, and a children's Bible will help many traumatized children and their families have the opportunity to hear the name of Jesus for the first time.

A year ago, our School Without Walls (SWW) leaders promised Salekh a gift for Christmas, and he was overjoyed when they kept that promise. During your prayer time this Christmas season, please remember these children who will be receiving a cherished Bible.

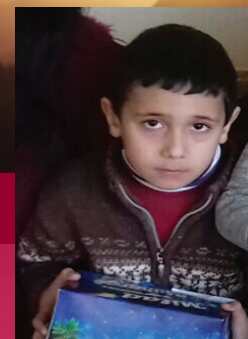


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## PRAYER GUIDE

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"Do not be anxious about anything, but in every situation, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God." Phil. 4:6

**1** Please continue to pray for our annual Gift of Hope children's evangelistic outreach that will impact the lives of more than 120,000 young boys and girls throughout Eurasia. Pray that God will bless the preparations involved in collecting and packing these special gifts.

**2** Please pray as we're hosting a web discussion today with Dr. Erwin Lutzer, pastor emeritus of The Moody Church in Chicago, IL and author of *The Church in Babylon*.

**3** Please continue to pray for our 2020-2021 School Without Walls (SWW) program and the leaders and students as they navigate the COVID-19 pandemic. Our SWW program will host a webinar today for national and regional coordinators.

**4** Please pray for our SWW students and churches in Eurasia during the holiday celebrations, that they will use these opportunities to share the gospel in their communities.

**5** Pray for the Caucasus region, specifically the turmoil in Armenia and Azerbaijan, as leaders work through a ceasefire agreement following weeks of fighting that erupted over the Nagorno-Karabakh region.

**6** Continue to pray for a peaceful resolution to the political protests in Belarus and our SWW program there. Pray that thousands of Belarusians would hear the gospel and accept Christ as their Savior.

**7** Pray for our church-planting team in Krasnodar, Russia and their families as church planting can take both a physical and emotional toll on all involved – especially as the COVID-19 pandemic continues.

**8** Pray for the outreach ministry among teenagers in Spassk-Dalny, Russia, and for the youth ministry there, that it would reach more teens for Christ.

**9** This month, churches and SWW leaders in Tolyatti, Russia will be praying and fasting for people who are infected with the coronavirus and those who remain quarantined.

**10** Please pray for one of our SWW coordinators in Pinsk, Belarus, who is looking for a new job that would give him more flexibility for church ministry.

**11** Pray for the team working with the new SWW center in Pinsk, Belarus. Pray that God would provide them with the resources, finances, vision, and the wisdom they need to reach the young

leaders in their city. Also, pray that a center for family ministry would launch in the city.

**12** Please pray for the Next Generation Professional Leaders Initiative (NGPLI) conference that will be held online and in-person in Grodno, Belarus.

**13** Pray for our iCare program team as they continue to build relationships, meet needs, and look for opportunities to share the gospel among the Roma people (gypsies).

**14** In Penza, Russia, we held an evangelistic event using paintings of Jesus. Pray that the people who heard the gospel would attend a Bible study group.

**15** Pray for the youth team in Minsk, Belarus, that there would be unity and a desire to serve without fear and doubt. Also, pray that the family ministry there would grow and strengthen families.

**16** Continue to pray for Christian young people in Mongolia who continue to reach out and minister to children who attended Bible camps this summer.

**17** Pray for the two new families who came to the church in Krasnodar, Russia. Pray new friendships and potential discipleship opportunities will help them grow in their faith.

**18** Praise the Lord for the new SWW program that began at Light to the World Church in Grodno, Belarus.

**19** Pray for the webinar to be held today for 50 School Without Walls (SWW) national and regional coordinators. During the training, two courses – “Family as Mission” and “Art of Renewal” – will be presented.

**20** Continue praying for Christians in Central Asia who are enduring persecution for their faith in Christ. Pray they will be bold in sharing their faith.

**21** Please pray for a SWW coordinator in Grodno, Belarus, whose older daughter has serious health concerns involving her liver. Their family is considering traveling abroad for treatment.

**22** Pray for our team in St. Petersburg, Russia, as they continue preparing for Gift of Hope. They are preparing 1,000 gifts for blind children and looking to offer encouragement to their families.

**23** Pray as our team in Moldova desires to hold a mini-conference there for young people from the northern part of the country.

**24** Praise the Lord for the generosity of our partner organization in Switzerland that provided two

truckloads of used furniture for new Christian schools in Ukraine.

**25** Through a Fresh Wave youth forum in Perm, Russia, more than 70 young people from six different churches recently learned about sharing the gospel during Christmastime through the Gift of Hope outreach.

**26** Please pray for the ongoing translation from Russian to Ukrainian of the manual *What Makes a School Christian and How Do You Organize One?*

**27** Please pray for wisdom in how to adapt our school-based hybrid teacher training program in Ukraine for use during the pandemic.

**28** Continue to pray for church leaders in Kazakhstan. The courts have often ruled against them and charged them with various crimes. Pray that Christian lawyers will be able to defend them.

**29** Praise the Lord for the provision of finances that has allowed the finishing touches on the newly built and newly planted church in Krasnodar, Russia.

**30** Pray for SWW leaders in eastern Ukraine who continue to reach out to those seeking hope and struggling to make a living as the war there continues. Also, SWW will host a web conference today entitled, “Results of the Year.”

**31** Pray for the opening and funding of the Youth House in Israel, which ministers to young people from troubled homes. Pray the ministry will provide the best fit for those needing help.



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