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INTERNATIONAL REQUESTS

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Don't Worry, Be Peaceful

How we respond when someone says “don’t worry” varies not only based on our situation but also on our relationship with the one speaking. In some cases, we may feel dismissed, misunderstood, or pressured to suppress our emotions or concerns. On the other hand, when we value the word of the one advising us, the same two words can bring relief, comfort, and gratitude. Hearing “don’t worry” from a trustworthy source—one with experience or the ability to ensure a good outcome—not only reassures us but also inspires a positive response even when arrows of anxiety strike.

In Philippians 4:6–7, the apostle Paul exhorts us as believers to keep our minds at rest through prayer. Instead of being pulled in different directions or filled with worry—in proactive practice as well as when anxious feelings arise—we do better to present our requests to God through prayer with thanksgiving. The reward of living saturated in prayer and offering faith-filled requests with gratitude is God’s own peace guarding our hearts and minds. The Old Testament supports this teaching. Isaiah wrote of God, “You will keep in perfect and constant peace the one whose mind is steadfast [that is, committed and focused on You—in both inclination and character], Because he trusts and takes refuge in You [with hope and confident expectation] (Isaiah 26:3, AMP).

Although we do face real difficulties and concerns, through prayer we can override our natural responses to stew, fret, or even take action according to our own counsel. Rather than allowing our cares to consume or misdirect us, let’s take Paul’s advice and turn our anxieties to prayer. As we present our requests with thanksgiving to the God who cares for us, focusing on the Lord’s goodness and faithfulness, in turn, we receive deep, inner peace obtainable from no other source. Even in times of turmoil and uncertainty, godly peace serves as a guardian, stabilizing our thoughts and emotions, and governing our way. (See Isaiah 60:17b.)

Surrender your worries in prayer, turn your eyes upon Jesus, and find peace like an eye in a hurricane—a place to abide in the strong tower of His presence.

Jesus, today I fix my thoughts on You. I trust You and choose to focus on Your Word in every circumstance of my life. I make my petitions with thanksgiving and praise You for guiding me. As I fix my thoughts on You, Your perfect peace prevails and governs my life. I commit afresh to think on things that are lovely and true, honourable and right, excellent and worthy of praise. I choose to put into practice the things I have learned of You, and heavenly peace will abide with me.

Lori Wagner



We live in stressful times, and it is so easy to worry about every detail of our day. Matthew 6:25–34 gives us a clear direction on worry. Verse 27 says, *“Can all your worries add a single moment to your life?”* (NLT). As children of God, we know what the Scriptures say, but we need to be reminded of these every now and then.

Please pray:

- We would daily cast all our cares on God
- We would allow God to rebuild our trust in Him
- We would learn to stop when we have worrisome thoughts and immediately pray for peace

Tiffini Countaway

World Needs

- Please join us in prayer for Sudan amid the growing humanitarian crisis. Thousands of lives have been lost, and many more are suffering amid severe civil unrest. May God bring peace, protection, and healing to the people of Sudan, and may His justice and mercy prevail in the midst of this tragedy.
- Continue to pray for all the victims of Hurricane Melissa as they work to rebuild and recover from the devastation, and that God would bring comfort, strength, and restoration to every affected community. Especially Jamaica, which suffered the most damage from the hurricane.
- Continue to pray for a resolution to the ongoing air traffic control shortages, causing major flight delays and rerouting. Also, pray for a resolution to the ongoing health insurance stalemate, as the expiration of enhanced premium subsidies in December could lead to significant premium increases next year.
- Continue to pray for the peace of Israel, missionaries in Israel, and all countries impacted by the war. Pray for the defeat of Israel's enemies according to God's will, and for all deceased hostages to be returned to Israel.





PRAYER FOCUS

Missionary Kids (MKs) have parents currently serving or have served overseas. They are not just children of missionaries; they are children missionaries who face their own set of unique challenges. Besides adapting to a new culture and unfamiliar circumstances, they leave home, loves ones, change school environments, and do without a youth group or other Christian connections vital to their world. Thus, the number-one help that MKs need is prayer support.

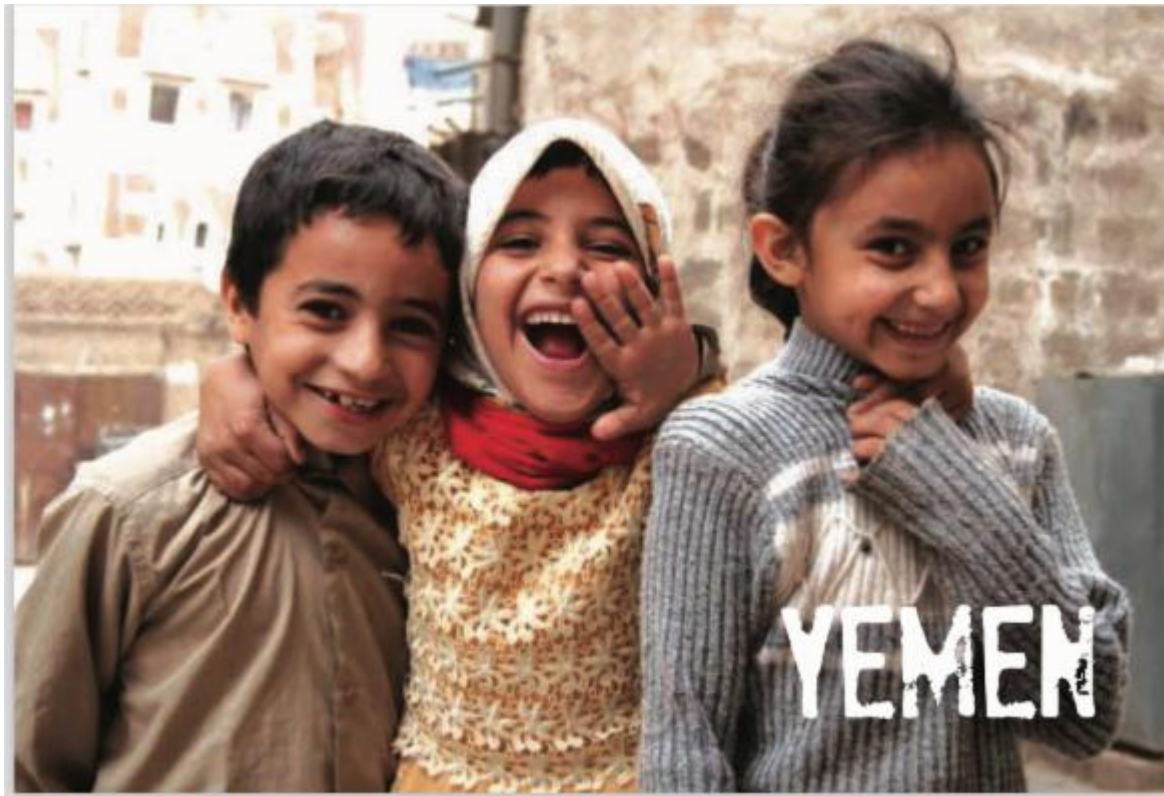
PRAYER POINTS

- For easy transitions between the North American culture and their field country
- That they would quickly and effectively learn the country's language and cultural differences
- For peace in the midst of chaotic schedules and demands of education.
- That they'd enjoy the adventure of travel, and new places, foods, faces, and styles of worship
- That they would use their gifts and talents on the field for the work of God
- For peace and protection for those in countries where Christianity isn't welcome
- For physical, social, mental, and spiritual protection
- That they would have a close relationship with their parents and with God
- For strength to deal with loneliness, depression, and spiritual and emotional struggles
- For godly wisdom in selecting friends and desire to share the gospel with them
- That they would stay pure in their thoughts and deeds
- That they would feel God's love and find their purpose in Him



Access Challenged Nations

Join the World Network of Prayer and Global Missions in praying for these nations which need a stronger missionary presence. We will focus on one nation each week.



Sana'a

Population
27,375,046

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- 1 Ask the Prince of Peace to let His peace reign in Yemen and in the hearts of the Yemeni people.
- 2 Pray for foreign workers living and working in Yemen to be true and faithful witnesses to the Truth of Jesus Christ!
- 3 Pray for God to give His people ideas for creative access and ways of ministry in Yemen, along with finances and personnel to fulfill the mission.
- 4 Pray for the children of Yemen, who constitute a large majority of the population, that they would seek answers and healing in Jesus!