

My Prayer Journal
KIDS



PRAYERthreads **KIDS**
praying for the forgotten

PEOPLE GROUPS WITH NO MISSIONARIES

*Brothers, my heart's desire and prayer to God
concerning them is for their salvation!*

Romans 10:1, HCSB

What is PRAYERthreads KIDS?

PRAYERthreads KIDS encourages all children who love Jesus to show their love for people groups through prayer. There are hundreds of groups of people around the world with no missionaries and no Christians that we know about – no one is telling them about Jesus.

What can you do to help?

YOU and your friends can start praying today for one of these “forgotten” people groups – pray they will learn about Jesus and believe on Him as Savior.



You will call to Me and come and pray to Me, and I will listen to you.

Jeremiah 29:12, HCSB

Take the challenge and pray!

What is a people group?

It is a group of people who share the same language and way of life. Men, women and children from one people group can live in many different places all around the world! Jesus asks His followers to make disciples of all nations. But the words He used do not mean countries. Instead, Jesus meant all the peoples of the world.

How do I pick a people group?

With one of your parents or your teacher at church,

- ❖ go to kompray.imb.org
- ❖ click on the title, PRAYERthreads KIDS
- ❖ then click on TAKE THE FIRST STEP
- ❖ pick a people group or city from the lists on that page

If your church is already praying for a people group, you can use this journal to help you pray for them, too.

WRITE the name of your people group, city and/or country here:

WRITE the date you start praying here:

Let's get praying ...

All the nations will come and worship before You,
Revelation 15:4b, HCSB



Picture this

Cut out a picture of someone from your selected people group, city and/or country from a magazine or look on <http://www.imb.org> (click on PHOTOS in the left column, search by people group, city or country).

- ❖ PASTE a copy of the picture below.
- ❖ Can't find one? Draw a picture of what you think they look like.



Pray:

Dear God, I pray for the _____ people

- ❖ that You will send missionaries to tell them the stories of Jesus.
(A missionary is a Christian chosen by God who obeys His command to go and tell another group of people the Good News about Jesus.)
- ❖ that the people will have a chance to learn about Jesus and believe in Him as their Savior.
- ❖ that _____

AMEN.

(write your own prayer request)

Let's do some research ...

He created him in the image of God; He created them male and female.

Genesis 1:27b, HCSB

There's a lot we can learn

Go to the library and ask a librarian to help you research your people group, city and/or country using encyclopedias or a book called an ethnologue. **Window on the World** by Daphne Spraggett with Jill Johnstone is a good resource book. With parental permission, you can find a lot of information on-line. One great Website is the **CIA World Factbook**.

Find answers to questions like these:

- ❖ In what country or countries do the _____ people live?
- ❖ What language do the people speak? _____
- ❖ What kind of leader do they have - a king or queen or a president, a prime minister?

- ❖ Do the people live mostly in big cities or in the countryside? _____
- ❖ What kind of work do the grown-ups do? _____
- ❖ Is the average child able to read and write? _____

Pray:

Now that you know a little more, how will you pray?

Dear God, Thank You for making people groups. We are all so different but we are all made in Your image.

I pray for the _____ people

_____ AMEN.

Let's keep praying ...

*You will seek Me and find Me when you
search for Me with all your heart.*

Jeremiah 29:13, HCSB



It's a grand old flag:

You know it when you see the U.S. flag — it has stars and stripes and is always red, white and blue. When the flag was first adopted in 1777, the colors red, white and blue did not have meanings; but most people agree they stand for:

- ❖ WHITE: purity and innocence
- ❖ RED: hardiness and valor
- ❖ BLUE: vigilance, perseverance and justice

Here are some other flag colors and their meanings:

- ❖ GREEN: agriculture, fertility and/or the Muslim religion
- ❖ YELLOW: the sun, wealth, justice
- ❖ BLACK: determination, ethnic heritage, defeating one's enemies

Draw and color the flag
of the country where your
people group lives.



Pray:

Look at the colors of the flag and let the meaning of the color help you pray.

- ❖ WHITE: pray the people will have true peace that comes only from God.
- ❖ RED: pray for national Christians to be courageous when they tell others about Jesus.
- ❖ BLUE: ask God to help the leader of the people to treat them fairly.
- ❖ GREEN: pray for the people to be willing to listen to lessons about Jesus.
- ❖ YELLOW: pray for the people to trust God to provide them food and clothing and a home.
- ❖ BLACK: pray that the people will learn about God every day.

Lift up the banner of our God ...

Let us shout for joy at your victory and lift the banner in the name of our God.

May the LORD fulfill all your requests.

Psalm 20:5, HCSB

How do they learn about Jesus?

Look up your people group on <http://imb.org> to find out more about them. Click on the box called "Getting There." You'll see a map that you can make bigger or smaller with the scroll bar on the right.

If you have a PEID (Population Entity Identification number), type that in at the bottom of the screen and hit submit. When the picture pops up, click on "more" then fill in the information below. If you don't have a PEID, then look for your country on the map and select one of the orange dots. A picture will pop up, click on "more" and fill in below.

Primary Language: _____

Primary Religion: _____

Country: _____

Churches exist: _____

Evangelical resources: _____

Read the people group profile and tell their story in your own words:

What do you think it would be like to grow up in a place where almost no one knows about Jesus? _____

Pray:

Dear God, please bless the _____ people.

Please send Christians to tell them stories of Jesus. _____

_____ AMEN.

Find them in your town ...

I will exalt him because he knows My name.

Psalm 91:14b, HCSB

They're not so far away

You know which country your people group lives in, but many people groups can also be found living in other countries. For example, the Wolof (pronounced WUHL-uf) people who live in the western part of Africa also live in New York City. You often find them selling products along the streets.

Find out if any of the _____ people live in YOUR community.

If the people live in one part of town, ask your parents to go there with you or go as a class group. Visit the neighborhood and pray for the people. If it's like Chinatown or Little India, you will get to learn about their national culture while you are there. Notice if they are wearing brightly colored clothing or hats or scarves.

Write a description of what you see or draw a picture:



Pray:

Dear God, There are people who live all around where I live and I don't know if they know about You. I don't know if they love Jesus. Please help me and my church find ways to tell them how much Jesus loves them...

AMEN.

What about your neighborhood? ...

*If anyone hears My voice and opens the door,
I will come in to him and have dinner with him, and he with Me.*

Revelation 3:20b, HCSB

Let's make some friends!

Many internationals live in the United States and dress and talk just like ... well, just like you! They live next door, sit next to you in school. They are Americans but either they or their parents and grandparents were born in another country. If you have international friends at school, ask them about the culture of their grandparents.

Do they speak any language other than English in their home?

Learn to say "Hello" or "Hi!" in their language. Here are a few examples:

Hindi	<i>namaste</i>	(pronounced nah-mah-STEh)
Italian	<i>ciào</i>	(pronounced chow; informal; also means "goodbye")
Russian	<i>privet!</i>	(pronounced pree-VYET; informal)
Swahili	<i>jambo?</i>	(pronounced JAHM-boh)
Vietnamese	<i>xin chào</i>	(pronounced sin-DJOW)

Go to kompray.imb.org to find a long list of words like "hello," "thank you" and "goodbye" in other languages.

French - *Bonjour* Spanish - *Hola* Italian - *Bon Giorno*
German - *Guten Tag* Chinese - *Ni hao* Irish - *Dia Duit*
Hindi - *Namaste* Finnish - *Hyvää päivää* Swahili - *Jambo*
Greek - *Yia sou (Ya-soo)* Czech - *Dobry rano* English - *Hello*
Japanese - *Ohayou gozaimasu* (pronounced O-ha-yoh go-za-ee-mas)
Hebrew - *Shalom* (this is used for hello, goodbye and peace)
Arabic-based languages - *Marhabah* Swedish - *Hej*
Vietnamese - *Chao* Korean - *Ahn nyeong ha se yo*
Portuguese - *Bom dia* (Good Morning) Dutch - *Goedendag*
Russian - *Zdravstvuite* (pronounced Zdra-stvooy-tyeh)

Tell your parents, your grandparents, or other grown-ups in the church what you've been learning. Ask them to pray with you!

Dear God,

Thank You for teaching me about all the different kinds of people in my neighborhood.

I want to be a good friend to _____. Help me show the love of Jesus to my friends. _____ AMEN.

Thinking about other religions ...

I call on You, God, because You will answer me...

Psalm 17:6a, HCSB

Do they know YOUR name, God?

What is the primary religion of your people group? (check your research on page 6)

Go to caravanfriends.org and click on Prayer in the left column. This is a fun site so don't get distracted! When you finish praying, explore the whole site.

Click on Praying for Hindus, Muslims, Buddhists, Sikhs, etc. Print out the page for the religion of your people group and use it to help you pray.

You become a Christian when you:

- ❖ Admit to God that you are a sinner. Repent, turning away from your sin.
- ❖ Believe that Jesus is God's Son and accept God's gift of forgiveness from sin.
- ❖ Confess your faith in Jesus Christ as Savior and Lord.

Dear God,

I pray for the _____ people to have faith to believe in Jesus as Savior. Please help me tell others about the love of Jesus, too.

_____ AMEN.



Don't stop praying!

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Romans 10:1, HCSB

Keep adding pages to your PRAYERthreads KIDS journal.

Pray every day for the _____ people.
Use one of these ideas each week and think up new activities that will help you pray:

- ❖ Write a report about the people group for school.
- ❖ Have a poster contest, then hang the posters in the hallways at church.
- ❖ Write a skit about the daily life of your people group and perform it for your class.
- ❖ Find a recipe from a country where your people group lives and get help to make the recipe for dinner.
- ❖ Learn about games that the children play and teach them to your friends.
- ❖ Ask your pastor if the whole church can pray for your people group. Give him some information from your research.
- ❖ Pray John 3:16 but put the name of the people group in the verse: *For God loved the world in this way: He gave*

His One and Only Son, so that every _____ who believes in Him will not perish but have eternal life.



Cut out bookmark and put in your Bible to remind you to pray.

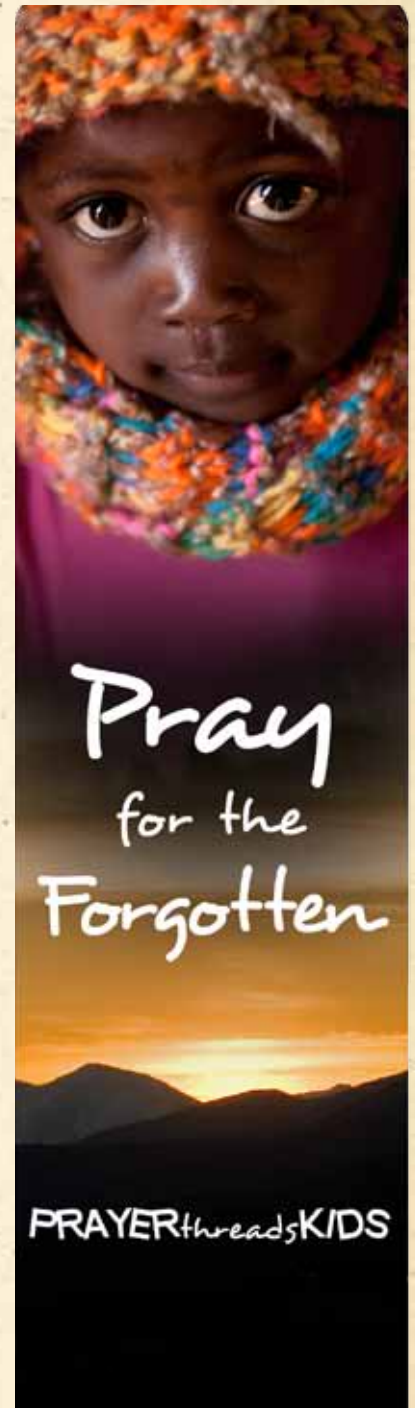
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Keep praying ...

Pray constantly.
1 Thessalonians 5:17, HCSB



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