



PRAYER RESOURCES

YOU MAY FIND A MAP OF THE WORLD USEFUL THIS WEEK

Thursday 10th September

I. Praying for the least reached to hear the Gospel

Pray for Southeast Asia

"All those the Father gives me will come to me, and whoever comes to me I will never drive away. For I have come down from heaven not to do my will but to do the will of him who sent me. And this is the will of him who sent me, that I shall lose none of all those he has given me, but raise them up at the last day."

John 6:37-39 (NIV)

Brunei and Indonesia are countries in Southeast East Asia. Sunni Islam is followed by over 80% of the approximately 277.4 million people who live there. There is also a mix of Sufism and local folk Islam in some regions.

Many young people from Brunei and Indonesia travel abroad to study.

Pray that while at university, they will encounter Jesus followers who will share their faith with them and lead them to a relationship with Jesus.



2. Praying for freedom of religion or belief around the world (CSW)

Pray for displaced people

You have been a refuge for the poor, a refuge for the needy in their distress, a shelter from the storm and a shade from the heat.

Isaiah 25:4

Over one million members of Myanmar's predominantly Muslim Rohingya community are currently residing in displacement camps in Bangladesh. Most were forced to flee in August 2017 after the military, which has since seized control of the country in a coup, launched so-called 'clearance operations' in Rakhine State where the majority of the population lives. Atrocities reported during the operations include the burning of homes, schools and mosques, mass killings, sexual violence, and the destruction of entire villages. A United Nations Fact-Finding Mission has since concluded that the campaign should be investigated as genocide.

It is impossible to estimate the total number of people who have been displaced on account of their religion or belief, but it is a global problem, from religious minority families forced from their villages in India and Mexico to hundreds of thousands displaced by religiously motivated violence and discrimination in Afghanistan, Iraq and Nigeria.

Ask the God of shelter and refuge to provide for those who have been displaced on account of their religion or belief, war or economic hardship. Pray that he would set the lonely in families, and ultimately that they would be able to return to their homes, towns and countries without fear of violence, discrimination or harassment.

