

# Daily Prayer Notes

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## 1<sup>st</sup> CHAD 1 Sam 1

Pray for **Timothy Webb** as he manages the Welcome Center while **Jeremy** and **Sallee Stanton** are in the US for the holiday season. He has been in Chad for 2 years helping out during our missionaries' home assignments. Pray that his final month goes smoothly.

## 2<sup>nd</sup> N. AMERICA 1 Sam 2

Pray for **Matt Smith** as he recovers from last month's ankle surgery. Pray for total healing as he continues studies at Lutheran Brethren Seminary. Pray for **Christina** and family as they support him during this time before returning to Chad.

## 3<sup>rd</sup> JAPAN 1 Sam 3

**Dean** and **Linda Bengtson** ask prayer for **Shizu Takeshita** as she does a live-stream Christmas concert at House of Hope. She was the first gospel singer to do a concert there over 10 years ago. Pray that many will hear of hope in Christ.

## 4<sup>th</sup> TAIWAN 1 Sam 4

Pray for **Ben** and **Sara Hosch** as they finalize their future ministry plans. Pray as well for all the details of moving, housing, schools, and especially for the family as they adjust to this new transition.

## 5<sup>th</sup> CHAD 1 Sam 5

Pray for **Paul** and **Teresa Szobody** as they serve as missionary equippers in Aderé. Praise God for **Nicholas** and **Olympa**, now in their 2<sup>nd</sup> year of training. Pray for the Spirit to continue to guide and direct them.

## 6<sup>th</sup> N. AMERICA 1 Sam 6

**Roger Olson** (Japanese Ministries, Seattle) asks prayer for healing for **Mrs. T** and **Mrs. I**. Both attend the Japanese worship service. Pray too for Mrs. I to understand the gospel and be saved.

## 7<sup>th</sup> CHAD 1 Sam 7

Pray for **David** and **Sonja Narvesen** and family as they transition back to life in Chad. Pray also for Sonja's parents, **Dr. Eugene** and **Gudrun Boe** as they visit Chad. Pray for Dr. Boe as he does some teaching while there.

## 8<sup>th</sup> N. AMERICA 1 Sam 8

**Francis Wilhelm Szobody** was born to **Nathanael** and **Carrie Szobody** on October 31<sup>st</sup>. Praise God for this new life! Pray for good health for Carrie and Francis.

## 9<sup>th</sup> ENGLAND 1 Sam 9

Pray that one of **Liz's** former Asian students of English will adjust well to life and academics in England as a music scholarship recipient. He has been blind from

birth but is a gifted musician. Happy Birthday **Liz**.

### 10<sup>th</sup> TAIWAN *1 Sam 10*

Tomorrow night Victory Hakka Fellowship hosts a night of music. Pray for those who will present Jesus as our "Joy" to the world. Pray that those who attend will see Jesus as the Savior of the world.

### 11<sup>th</sup> FRANCE *1 Sam 11*

Pray that **Dan** and **Claire Rose** will find language learning partners with whom they can build relationships and language skills. Pray for determination for them and their children in learning French.

### 12<sup>th</sup> JAPAN *1 Sam 12*

Pray for new students to be raised up and called to the seminary for future vocational ministry.

### 13<sup>th</sup> CHAD *1 Sam 13*

Continue to pray for the government of Chad that it would protect the churches and believers of many different tribes. Pray that Christians will be a strong witness to their neighbors and families.

### 14<sup>th</sup> TAIWAN *1 Sam 14*

Once a month, **Ethan** and **Sandy Christofferson's** small group gathers at the home of a recovering drug addict, **Mr. Xing**, and his 100-year-old mother, to help them learn about Jesus. Both now occasionally attend the Hakka language service at Enlin LB Church. Pray for their salvation.

### 15<sup>th</sup> EAST ASIA *1 Sam 15*

**Joel** finishes all his teaching responsibilities this month as a professor of English at a large East Asian university. Pray that God will

bring other Christian witnesses into the lives of his students.

### 16<sup>th</sup> TAIWAN *1 Sam 16*

Pray for **Mrs. Guo**, as people of other religions are working to pull her into their folds. Pray that as **Sandy Christofferson** tells her Bible stories, and as Mrs. Guo regularly attends church and a small group, that she will believe.

### 17<sup>th</sup> N. AMERICA *1 Sam 17*

Pray for **Jeremy** and **Sallee Stanton** during their time in North America during the holidays. Pray for safe travel as they visit family and speak at churches about their ministry in Chad.

### 18<sup>th</sup> JAPAN *1 Sam 18*

Seminary intern **Haruya Itoh** will give a Christmas message at House of Hope tomorrow. Pray that many of **Dean** and **Linda Bengtson's** neighbors will come and hear the news of salvation.

### 19<sup>th</sup> TAIWAN *1 Sam 19*

Please pray for Zhubei Victory Church as they plan Christmas-time outreach activities. COVID restrictions are lighter, but still make it challenging to have large group activities.

### 20<sup>th</sup> N. AMERICA *1 Sam 20*

Japanese Ministries (Rock of Ages, Seattle) interns, **Paul** and **Alexa Fraser**, are well into their Japanese language studies and in building relationships. Please pray for continued trust, patience and guidance concerning their future.

### 21<sup>st</sup> JAPAN *1 Sam 21*

**Pastor Zeniya** will give a Christmas message at House of Hope's monthly Bible time

tomorrow. Pray for open hearts and understanding as **Dean** and **Linda Bengtson's** neighbors come and hear the gospel message.

### **22<sup>nd</sup> TAIWAN** *1 Sam 22*

Pray for **Mr. Shuai**, a lapsed Mormon that **Ethan Christofferson** has been bumping into on early morning hikes. He likes to discuss spiritual things, and Ethan is earning his trust and learning his story. Pray that he will come to know Christ.

### **23<sup>rd</sup> CHAD** *1 Sam 23*

Pray for **Daniel** and **Nancy Wen** and family as they continue with Arabic language study and learning the culture. Pray for good health and safety as well. Happy 6<sup>th</sup> birthday to **Chi Wen**.

### **24<sup>th</sup> N. AMERICA** *1 Sam 24*

Pray for **Matt** and **Christina Smith**, living in Fergus Falls, MN for a few more months. Pray for good learning experiences for all of them and pray for Christina as she is the primary teacher for their children. Happy 11<sup>th</sup> birthday **Noam Smith**.

### **25<sup>th</sup> WORLD** *1 Sam 25*

Pray for safety for churches as they celebrate Christmas in countries where Christians are a persecuted minority. Pray that the gospel of the incarnation will be clearly proclaimed and understood worldwide.

### **26<sup>th</sup> TAIWAN** *1 Sam 26*

Pray for **Jung MaMa**. One of her barriers in coming to the Lord is the recent loss of family members and so she wonders how she can believe and yet still respect the ancestors. Pray that Victory Hakka Fellowship can encourage her in her

grief but also help her to find her true hope in Jesus.

### **27<sup>th</sup> WORLD** *1 Sam 27*

**Insider Movements**—mass turnings to Christ—are happening among Muslim, Hindu, and Buddhist people groups. Pray for church-planting movements among these groups to encourage them in God's Word, and for these movements to grow and spread.

### **28<sup>th</sup> CHAD** *1 Sam 28*

Pray for the people of Doh whom **David** and **Sonja Narvesen** have not seen for a year during their home assignment. Pray for renewed friendships for all of them. Happy 6<sup>th</sup> birthday to **Ivan!**

### **29<sup>th</sup> TAIWAN** *1 Sam 29*

**Mike** and **Delores Kittelson** write "Pray for **Patty** who wants to be a light for Jesus in her family of unbelievers. She wants to be bolder in her speaking and asks for patience as she waits for God to work in their lives."

### **30<sup>th</sup> JAPAN** *1 Sam 30*

Pray for **Makiko** and her 5-year-old son **Shoma** who were baptized at New Life Church in Sendai on October 24. (10-29 DPN). Pray for **Pastor and Mrs. Satoh** and the congregation at New Life as they encourage and support Makiko and her son in their daily Christian walk.

### **31<sup>st</sup> TAIWAN** *1 Sam 31*

Pray for **Teacher Zheng, Ben Hosch's** language teacher, who has many questions about Christianity and enjoys discussing religious topics. Pray for continued good conversations and that the Gospel will make sense to her. Happy 3<sup>rd</sup> birthday to **Henrietta Hosch**.

***F**or to us a child is born, to us a son is given, and the government will be upon his shoulders. And he will be called Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace. Of the greatness of his government and peace there will be no end.*

*He will reign on David's throne and over his kingdom, establishing and upholding it with justice and righteousness from that time on and forever. The zeal of the LORD Almighty will accomplish this.*

*Isaiah 9:6-7*

**Merry Christmas to you and  
your family from your  
missionaries and LBIM staff!**

**Chad:**

*Dave & Sonja Narvesen, Dan & Claire Rose,  
Matt & Christina Smith, Jeremy & Sallee  
Stanton, Nathanael & Carrie Szobody,  
Paul & Teresa Szobody, Daniel & Nancy Wen*

**Taiwan:**

*Ethan & Sandy Christofferson, Ben & Sara  
Hosch, Mike & Delores Kittleson*

**Japan:**

*Dean & Linda Bengtson,  
Paul & Alexa Fraser (in training)*

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*Joel & Liz*

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