

Praying for the Persecuted Church Around the World

[prayer #1]

Dear Jesus,
ENCOURAGE and STRENGTHEN
Christians/ who suffer in prisons/ and labor
camps in _____.

(country)

Amen

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[prayer #2]

Dear Jesus,
Help persecuted Christians/ in _____
to always/ be FAITHFUL to *(country)*
Jesus/ and never give up.

Amen

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[prayer #3]

Dear Jesus,
PROTECT the Christians/ who have to
worship/ in secret house churches/ from
being arrested or killed in _____.

(country)

Amen

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[prayer #4]

Dear Jesus,
Give BOLDNESS and COURAGE/ to
Christians who tell others/ about Jesus
in _____ .

(country)

Amen

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[prayer #5]

Dear Jesus,

Help the churches in _____ to GROW
(country)

in number/ and see many people/ come
to know Jesus.

Amen

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[prayer #6]

Dear Jesus,

We pray that the rulers and leaders/ in
_____ /may come to know God.

(country)

Amen

Cut prayers into six cards.

SUGGESTIONS:

It is helpful to children if each prayer is separated into smaller phrases.

These sections are marked by forward slashes. The period at the end of a sentence is always the end of a section.

The children choose one of the eleven most extremely persecuted countries.

The countries are on arrows lined up on the left side of a large map board.

They are numbered in order of severity with North Korea the worst. They hold their country while the six prayers are being prayed. When the teacher pauses at the blank, each child says the name of their country.

The teacher/leader begins by praying the first section. It is not necessary for the children to close their eyes. The children are directed to repeat after the leader.

This continues until the completion of the prayer. When prayers are finished, the children go to the map, find their country and stick their arrow pointing to their country.

Explain to the children that even though they did not write the prayer, they only need to believe it. If they really mean it when they pray, God hears it as their own prayer.