

Pray with us for Afghanistan



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In light of the Taliban taking control again of Afghanistan, we seek the Lord in prayer for the vulnerable at risk and others in these volatile circumstances. Will you join us?

Afghan refugees

Pray for Afghan people fleeing the country to find refuge quickly. Ask God for traveling mercies, as limited transportation is available. Ask God to provide safe and welcoming communities, as well as compassionate assistance in the months and years to come.

"For I was hungry and you gave me something to eat, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink, I was a stranger and you invited me in." (Matthew 25:35)

Minorities, women, and girls

Pray for women, girls, and minorities who fear mistreatment again under Taliban rule. Ask God to place protection over their bodies and souls. Pray that they have continued opportunities for education, work and equal participation in the public sphere.

“Do not let the oppressed retreat in disgrace; may the poor and needy praise your name.” (Psalm 74:21)

End to violence

Pray that violence in Afghanistan subsides, giving way to nonviolent processes. Ask God to let justice and peace break through.

“Peacemakers who sow in peace reap a harvest of righteousness.” (James 3:18)

Local church

Pray for the Afghan church and believers who remain in the country. Ask God to strengthen them in these dark days and grant miraculous peace.

“Don’t be afraid, for I am with you. Don’t be discouraged, for I am your God. I will strengthen you and help you. I will hold you up with my victorious right hand.” (Isaiah 41:10)

Global leaders

Pray for governments and global leaders as they consider how to respond. Pray that they would prioritise compassion for those most at risk and have wisdom.

“For the Lord gives wisdom; from his mouth come knowledge and understanding.” (Proverbs 2:6)

*Note: SIM is not present in Afghanistan, but we are mindful of those suffering as well as our brothers and sisters in Christ there.