

# **PRAY**NOW

#### **Email**

Dear Friend,

This week we continue to pray for more of the Muslim world, as they celebrate Ramadan. We are also learning about different foods that Muslims enjoy at this time.

We would also like to invite you to join us for Pray Now Live on Monday 29<sup>th</sup> April 8-9.30pm. We are back on zoom and we will have workers from the Middle East and Central Asia joining us to share stories of what God is doing in their midst as they seek to reach communities of Muslims with the gospel. We will also hear from one of the teams we previously prayed for. They were coaching a small group of believers which has now grown to over a thousand people.

Click the link below to book: <a href="https://geni.us/praynowlive">https://geni.us/praynowlive</a>

May God bless you as you pray and intercede this week.

For His glory in the nations,

Charlotte and Richard

**Prayer Mobilisation Team** 



### Sunday 17th March - Day 8 Ramadan

#### **Chelo Kebab**

Location: Iran

Ebrahim took a bite of plain rice and juicy meat from the plate his wife Zoreh had set before him.

Considered by many to be the national dish of Iran, chelo kebab had been his favorite since childhood. When he told her it was delicious, she paused and frowned. Probably because he hadn't complimented her in months. Their relationship had been strained since their arranged marriage more than a year ago, and he didn't know how to fix it. A few weeks before, he'd heard coworkers talking about how the Injil said a husband should love his wife, and Ebrahim had decided to try some of the things they had mentioned. Now, he nodded and savoured another taste before telling Zoreh the meal was even better than his mother's. A slow smile spread across his wife's face.

Perhaps he would ask his coworkers for more ways to show her kindness.

#### Hope for the Day

For the word of God is living and active, sharper than any two-edged sword, piercing to the division of soul and of spirit, of joints and of marrow, and discerning the thoughts and intentions of the heart.

Hebrews 4:12

#### Prayer

- Pray that Muslims will have access to the Bible—either in print, audio, or digital versions—and will be eager to consume it.
- Praise God that the Scriptures have the power to change attitudes and actions.
- Ask the Lord to heal broken relationships in ways that draw Muslims to Him.



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### Monday 18th March - Day 9 Ramadan

### Bosnian Ćevapi

Location: The Balkans

Davud laughed as his stomach growled loudly. When his friend Sam suggested they get something to eat, Davud pointed to a small cevapi grill on the street where a crowd of men waited impatiently. "This is the best food in Bosnia," Davud claimed. When it was their turn, Davud requested two plates. Minced meat had been formed into links and then grilled before being wrapped in flatbread and served alongside onions and kajmak cream for dipping.

Davud took a huge bite and sighed with pleasure. "I could eat this every day and still be hungry for more," he said.

Sam chuckled around his own bite. "Jesus said that anyone who comes to Him will never be hungry again."

Davud frowned. "How could that be?"

### Hope for the Day

Jesus said to them, "I am the bread of life; whoever comes to me shall not hunger, and whoever believes in me shall never thirst."

- John 6:35

### **Prayer**

- Pray that Muslim men and women will taste the truth of Jesus Christ and hunger for more of Him.
- Ask God to orchestrate conversations between Muslims and followers of Christ.
- Pray for Muslims like Davud to have open ears to hear the Good News and open hearts to follow Christ.

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### Tuesday 19th March - Day 10 Ramadan

### **Kefta Tagine**

Location: North Africa

Layla placed the ceramic tagine dish in the middle of a cloth on the floor. She joined her new neighbours, three women from America, around the food. Desperate for love, Layla had lied to and betrayed several of her friends years before. Word of her adultery and duplicity had spread, so few in her neighbourhood were willing to speak to her, let alone eat with her. Some had told her to her face that even God would reject her. Layla feared they were right. Yet these foreigners ate out of the same tagine and had assured her that Jesus already loved her. She wondered how in the world this could be true.

### Hope for the Day

See what kind of love the Father has given to us, that we should be called children of God; and so we are.

- 1 John 3:1

#### **Prayer**

- Praise God that He freely offers His love to all who turn to Jesus. Pray that Muslims would do so.
- Ask God to pour out His rich love on Muslim women who feel abandoned or alone.
- Ask the Lord to remove the veil of sin and shame and replace it with His righteousness and mercy.

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### Wednesday 20th March - Day 11 Ramadan

#### **Persian Tea**

Location: Southwest Asia

Mahin opened the door to her home and quickly invited her friend Fahimeh inside. Immediately, she offered something to drink and hurried to prepare the fragrant black tea they both enjoyed. As Mahin poured the deep reddish-brown liquid into a glass cup, Fahimeh offered a soft smile of gratitude. But her expression fell again. "Is something wrong?" Mahin asked, as she held out a bowl of sugar cubes.

Fahimeh took one but paused before placing it between her teeth, which would sweeten her drink. "I wish I were as rich as this tea. Since my husband died, I've struggled to pay rent. Now, we will be evicted unless I can pay for the last three months."

Mahin sighed. She did not have a solution for her friend, but together they would find the answer.

#### Hope for the Day

Two are better than one, because they have a good reward for their toil. For if they fall, one will lift up his fellow. But woe to him who is alone when he falls and has not another to lift him up!

- Ecclesiastes 4:9-10

### Prayer

- Pray that Muslim friends will encourage one another to seek the Truth and find it in Christ.
- Ask God to help Frontiers field workers establish strong friendships with Muslims that open the door to sharing the Gospel.
- Ask the Lord to provide for Muslim men and woman in financial and physical need in such a way that they will recognize Jesus' love for them.



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### Thursday 21st March - Day 12 Ramadan

#### **Tabbouleh**

Location: Middle East

Marwa, a Muslim-background believer, knelt in her small garden. The Middle Eastern sunshine warmed her back as she gathered cucumbers and tomatoes to make tabbouleh, her favorite salad. Collecting the vegetables reminded Marwa of what she had read in the Injil that week. Jesus said that many souls were ripe for harvesting, and that His followers had the job of gathering people to Himself. Marwa knew many friends who were dissatisfied with Islam. She said a prayer that God would give her the words and courage to share the truth about Jesus with them.

#### Hope for the Day

And he said to them, "The harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few. Therefore pray earnestly to the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into his harvest."

— Luke 10:2

### **Prayer**

- Ask God to raise up many more labourers to go to the Muslim world and share the Gospel.
- Pray that the spiritual soil in the Muslim world would be prepared so that many will hear and believe the Word of God.
- Pray for Muslim-background believers to share their faith courageously.

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### Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> March - Day 13 Ramadan

#### Roti

Location: South Asia

Mukesh wasn't the best roti maker in town, but he was the fastest. He enjoyed rolling out the dough as quick as a flash, tossing it onto the tava over the fire, cooking it, and sending it sailing over his shoulder to the serving tray. He landed each one without even looking. Whether they were preparing the iftar meal to break their Ramadan fast or enjoying an everyday snack, his customers knew they could expect a show when they came to buy flatbread. But Mukesh couldn't help but feel that his job was incomplete. He could fix the hunger pains, but what about those whose hunger was for more than food?

### Hope for the Day

"Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they shall be satisfied."

- Matthew 5:6

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- Pray that Muslim men and women who long for hope will turn to Jesus, who offers it freely.
- Ask God to give Muslims a full meal of faith in Him
- Pray that more labourers will go to the Muslim world to share the Good News of hope in Christ.

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### Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup> March - Day 14 Ramadan

#### Künefe

Location: Türkiye and the Balkans

Zeynep set the table for the suhoor meal as her father pressed a hand to his stomach. They needed a filling meal to sustain them through a day of Ramadan fasting, and she'd prepared one of his favourites. Her father's smile grew wide behind his beard when she placed warm künefe, a cheese pastry soaked in sweet syrup, before him. Before she died the year before, Zeynep's mother had taught her the recipe, which had been passed down from her grandmother, too.

Though künefe was often served as a symbol of goodwill following conflict, Zeynep rarely quarrelled with anyone. But lately she'd felt at odds with God. How could He allow her mother to be killed so suddenly in a car accident? The more questions she asked, the less she understood about God. A pastry couldn't end her internal conflict, but maybe she could find answers that would.

### Hope for the Day

If any of you lacks wisdom, let him ask God, who gives generously to all without reproach, and it will be given him.

- James 1:5

#### **Prayer**

- Pray that Muslims will turn to God with their questions and discover His grace and love.
- Ask God to pour out His goodness on Muslims in the midst of trials and pain so that they will seek and find Him.
- Ask God to send more workers to the field to meet Muslims like Zeynep and point them to the truth in Scripture.

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