

PRAYER DIARY

JUNE 2023



Men

THURSDAY 1 JUNE FOCUS: MEN OF THE MENA

There are plenty of wonderful SAT-7 programmes helping women to find value, and rightly so. But what about the men of the MENA? This week we focus on how the work of SAT-7 is influencing men in the region to live for Jesus. Pray that more men in the MENA will step up to become strong and humble servants of God.

FRIDAY 2 JUNE ENCOUNTER OF GENERATIONS

Available on SAT-7 PLUS and SAT-7 PARS, *Encounter of Generations* is an open discussion between an Iranian father and son about a range of issues that affect men of all ages. Pray that this programme will positively impact many families in Iran.

SATURDAY 3 JUNE YOUNG MEN

"How can a young man keep his way pure? By guarding it according to your word" (Psalm 119:9 ESV). Ask God to inspire in the hearts of young men across the MENA a passion for His word.

SUNDAY 4 JUNE ARGUMENT

SAT-7 TÜRK programme *Argument*, presented by Melih Ekener and Burhan Buladlar, is perfect for seekers and sceptics. As these men ask each other common and difficult questions about Christianity, they aim to educate, entertain and enlighten viewers. Pray for God's wisdom to be spoken by these presenters and received positively by viewers.

MONDAY 5 JUNE SAT-7 VIEWER AMGAD

"I am a 27-year-old man from Sudan but now living in Morocco. I want to learn about repentance and having a relationship with God... Please teach me more about salvation." After a journey of discipleship with our viewer support

team, Amgad decided to accept the Lord Jesus as his saviour. Pray that God will help him to mature in his faith.

TUESDAY 6 JUNE THE HEARTS OF FATHERS

"Behold, I will send you Elijah the prophet before the great and awesome day of the Lord comes. And he will turn the hearts of fathers to their children and the hearts of children to their fathers" (Malachi 4:5-6a ESV). Ask the Lord to strengthen relationships between fathers and their children in the MENA.

WEDNESDAY 7 JUNE SAT-7 VIEWER MAHDI

"I am not from a Christian background. I want to repent and have a relationship with God. I want to know Jesus. Because of my background, I fear the grave and punishment after death. I want Jesus to save me." After several conversations with our viewer support team, Mahdi, from Libya, accepted Jesus as his saviour, saying, "I can't tell you how relieved I feel after praying with you. I am very happy." Praise God for Mahdi's salvation!

THURSDAY 8 JUNE **HUSBANDS**

"Husbands, love your wives, just as Christ loved the church and gave himself up for her" (Ephesians 5:25). In a part of the world where male dominance and domestic abuse are prevalent, pray that God will raise up husbands who love their wives "as Christ loved the church".

General

FRIDAY 9 JUNE **UN GLOBAL DAY OF PARENTS**

Up to four out of five children in the MENA are disciplined using physical violence at home. SAT-7 ARABIC programme *The Coach* offers a different way: open communication and positive discipline that helps children feel valued for who they are. Pray that more people will watch and be blessed by this programme.

SATURDAY 10 JUNE **IRANIAN PRAYERS**

This is how SAT-7 PARS presenter Reza Jafari summarised the prayers of our Iranian viewers: "[They] aren't praying

for personal problems but for a better future where all people live in dignity; for freedom in all aspects; for protection for children and women; and for the redemption and salvation of the nation." Join them in these prayers today.

SUNDAY 11 JUNE **OUR NEIGHBOURHOOD**

"I am from Sudan and have been SAT-7 PARS programme *Our Neighbourhood*, presented by Milton Danil, who himself has a testimony of battling addiction and experiencing the saving power of Christ, seeks to stand by individuals struggling with substance abuse. Pray that Milton will be filled with the Holy Spirit as he presents a message of hope to viewers.

MONDAY 12 JUNE **HOLY LAND VIOLENCE**

In 2022, the Holy Land witnessed the highest level of violence and numbers of killings in over 15 years. Pray for an increase in productive dialogue and for peace in this troubled land.

TUESDAY 13 JUNE **LOVE**

"Do everything in love" (1 Corinthians 16:14). Pray that the culture of SAT-7's international teams will be based on love between colleagues, and for viewers.

WEDNESDAY 14 JUNE **SYRIA**

The beleaguered nation of Syria is in desperate need of prayer. This year's disastrous earthquakes were preceded by 12 years of war. Pray for an end to the war and that civilians will benefit from a swift rebuilding of damaged infrastructure.

THURSDAY 15 JUNE **SAT-7 VIEWER DOĞAN**

"I came to faith through SAT-7 TÜRK and was baptised. I am very, very grateful for your channel. My life has completely changed after watching the Jesus Christ movie you broadcast. The love and hope that Jesus Christ poured out on me completely filled the void in me." Thank God that His powerful love is changing people's lives in the MENA!

Vulnerable people

FRIDAY 16 JUNE

FOCUS: VULNERABLE PEOPLE

There has never been a better advocate for the vulnerable and marginalised than Jesus Christ. In His Kingdom the mighty are humbled, the lowly are lifted up, and the broken are made whole. Thank Jesus for His amazing love!

SATURDAY 17 JUNE

DOMESTIC ABUSE VICTIMS

In the MENA there are too many people like Sabrina – a victim of her husband's violent outbursts. During a deeply emotional call with a member of SAT-7 ARABIC's viewer support team, Sabrina prayed for her husband and children. Join with Sabrina in prayer for an end to her suffering, and for the redemption of her family.

SUNDAY 18 JUNE

PEOPLE WITH DISABILITIES

With its programme *City of Stars*, SAT-7 KIDS is setting a trailblazing example of inclusion in a region where children with disabilities are often excluded. Pray

that all participants and viewers will be especially encouraged by *City of Stars*.

MONDAY 19 JUNE

HOLY LAND UNEMPLOYMENT

With some of the highest unemployment rates in the world, people living in the West Bank and Gaza are vulnerable to poverty, homelessness, and food insecurity. Pray for more employment opportunities in this area and that the Lord will provide for those in need.

TUESDAY 20 JUNE

UN WORLD REFUGEE DAY

According to the UN Refugee Agency, more than 70% of all refugees come from just five countries. Three of those five are countries that SAT-7 broadcasts to: Syria, Afghanistan and South Sudan. Pray that refugees from these countries will find a place of safety.

WEDNESDAY 21 JUNE

HEALTH ADVICE

Aimed at several vulnerable groups including children and pregnant women, SAT-7 programme Dr. Bee disseminates health, nutrition and hygiene advice.

This is particularly helpful for people in war-torn countries like Yemen and Syria, where access to healthcare services is very limited. Pray that this show will reach far and wide, and help viewers in need of advice.

THURSDAY 22 JUNE

WOMEN IN AFGHANISTAN

The Taliban continues to crush women's freedoms in Afghanistan. In November 2022, they announced an indefinite ban on women going to university, after women and girls were banned from public parks. Cry out to God that these measures will be reversed, and the Taliban will alter its course.

FRIDAY 23 JUNE

UN INTERNATIONAL WIDOW'S DAY

"A father to the fatherless, a defender of widows, is God in his holy dwelling" (Psalm 68:5). Pray that God's people in the MENA will support the widows in their midst and care for them with a Christ-like love.

General

SATURDAY 24 JUNE

SAT-7 VIEWER KAAN

Having benefited from SAT-7 TÜRK's programming himself, Kaan believes the channel "will be a light to many souls." Let's pray for him in line with his request: "I ask for prayer so that my family can know God, be filled with hope and love, and obey God's Word."

SUNDAY 25 JUNE

POLITICAL PRISONERS IN IRAN

SAT-7 PARS viewer Homa leads us in prayer today. "Please pray for Iran and especially pray for the freedom of political prisoners... [They] are grappling with terrible circumstances. All kinds of harm are being done to these prisoners... They are all suffering. Please unite and pray with one voice, and the Almighty God who knows all things will hear."

MONDAY 26 JUNE

LONGEST DAYS

As we enjoy the longest days of the year, thank God for His beautiful creation – especially the sun's radiance – which is a constant reminder to us of His brilliance.

TUESDAY 27 JUNE

LEBANON EMIGRATION

Tens of thousands of Lebanese people are leaving the country for opportunities abroad in the biggest emigration since the civil war that ended in 1990. Some of Lebanon's poorest people are risking their lives in dinghies to cross the Mediterranean by unofficial routes. Pray for safety and provision for those who feel compelled to flee the country.

WEDNESDAY 28 JUNE

SWEET TRUTH

Sweet Truth is a new series for Afghan Christians and seekers on SAT-7. Including worship, teaching and a children's slot, the programme offers encouragement to viewers facing intense pressure. Pray that this programme will bear real spiritual fruit among Afghan viewers.

THURSDAY 29 JUNE

"JESUS SPOKE TO ME"

SAT-7's viewer support team recently heard from a lady called Amira. Her husband and children don't know she is a believer and she can't share her faith with them. "I would have never

dared to admit this out loud," she said. "But since Jesus spoke to me Himself, I could no longer deny the truth." After many spiritual conversations with our viewer support team, she has decided to get baptised! Pray for Amira's spiritual growth, and for her family to come to faith also.

FRIDAY 30 JUNE

FINANCES

Thank God for His continued faithfulness to SAT-7's ministry. Pray that He will supply all SAT-7's needs throughout 2023 as economies around the world struggle and individuals feel the strain on their finances.



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