

PRAYER DIARY

July 2024



MONDAY 1 JULY LOOKING FORWARD

As we look forward to the summer months ahead, let us also look forward to the ways in which God will continue to work in the hearts of SAT-7 viewers across the Middle East and North Africa (MENA).

TUESDAY 2 JULY SAT-7 FILM TOXIC ON AIRLINES

If you're jetting off to the Middle East this summer, you may find the SAT-7 film *Toxic* among the film choices. A story of forgiveness, the film is available on Emirates, Qatar Airways, Saudia and Kuwait Airways. Pray that the film will have a lasting impact.

WEDNESDAY 3 JULY MY MIRROR

SAT-7 ARABIC's programme *My Mirror* speaks to the hearts of women who struggle with self-worth. Wakeela from Egypt shared, "My problem is that I am a girl. My parents don't treat me as well as my brothers." The viewer support team sent her an episode of *My Mirror*, which she said comforted her. Pray that many more Arab women will see themselves as God sees them.

THURSDAY 4 JULY IMAD FROM MOROCCO

Imad, a young man from Morocco, asked SAT-7 viewer support whether ritual cleansing was necessary for salvation. The team explained that a spiritual cleansing from sin is offered through Jesus. At this, he accepted Jesus as his Saviour. Pray that SAT-7 would help more people like Imad to grasp the truth.

FRIDAY 5 JULY PERSEVERANCE IN SUDAN

Churches in Sudan are persevering in faith after over a year of war. Pastor Sami Rahhal shared this message on

You Are Not Alone: "It is very sad for churches to be destroyed and attacked, but our evangelism continues." Give thanks that believers in Sudan are standing strong in their calling to be a light to those around them.

SAT-7 ARABIC

SATURDAY 6 JULY SAT-7 ARABIC

Our SAT-7 ARABIC channel broadcasts to 21 Arabic-speaking countries in the MENA. Pray for the 400 million Arabic-speakers in the region who have access to satellite television, that they will discover SAT-7 ARABIC and the Good News of Jesus.

SUNDAY 7 JULY ALL NATIONS

"All the nations you have made will come and worship before you, Lord; they will bring glory to your name" (Psalm 86:9).

Give thanks for all those in the Arab nations who worship the Lord, and pray that SAT-7 ARABIC will show His glory to those who don't yet know Him.

MONDAY 8 JULY

PERLA IN THE NETHERLANDS

Arabic speakers tune into SAT-7 ARABIC from all over the world through our online streaming service, SAT-7 PLUS. Perla, a young Arabic woman, contacted SAT-7 to say: "I'm 23 and just started college in the Netherlands. I'm under so much pressure and I can no longer pray or fast as before." Pray for Perla as she adjusts to her new life.

TUESDAY 9 JULY

BEHIND THE SCENES

Pray for all those who help to bring SAT-7 ARABIC's programmes to the screens of viewers in the Arab world, including producers, writers, camera crews, presenters and editors. Many of these do so at great personal risk. Pray for joy in their work and that they would help to maintain the level of excellence that viewers have come to expect from SAT-7.

WEDNESDAY 10 JULY

VICTIMS OF WAR

Amidst the devastating conflict unfolding in the Arab world, SAT-7 is giving a voice to those affected by the war. Dalia,

a 17-year-old girl from Gaza, told viewers of *You Are Not Alone*: "As long as we are alive, we must have hope." Pray for the innocent victims of the war in the Holy Land and for an end to the current conflict.

THURSDAY 11 JULY

JAMIL FROM EGYPT

Jamil told SAT-7's viewer support team that he was looking for "a friendship that mends the heart." When they introduced him to Jesus and shared the Gospel, Jamil said, "I feel something has changed in my heart. I must trust God and fear no evil, for He is with me." Give thanks for Jamil's faith and pray for him as God continues to work in his heart.

FRIDAY 12 JULY

THE HERITAGE

The live show *The Heritage*, now in its second season, explores the timeless teachings of Jesus with thought-provoking questions. Pray that viewers of SAT-7 ARABIC will be challenged to apply the wisdom of the Bible to their daily lives.

SATURDAY 13 JULY

CHURCH SERVICES

Every week, SAT-7 ARABIC broadcasts church services from across the Arabic-speaking world. Pray that these live services will nurture the spiritual lives of viewers who cannot attend a church where they live.

SUNDAY 14 JULY

GLORIOUS THINGS

"For the Son of Man came to seek and to save the lost" (Luke 19:10).

Pray that SAT-7's programmes will help to guide those whom the Lord is already drawing closer to Him.

General

MONDAY 15 JULY

POLAT FROM TÜRKIYE

Polat, a young man from Türkiye, said, "I am deeply grateful for your precious prayers and encouraging programmes. There is no church here, but thanks to you, I never feel alone." Give thanks that SAT-7 is able to support isolated believers like Polat.

TUESDAY 16 JULY

ATTACKS IN MINYA, EGYPT

In the Minya province of Egypt, where Christians make up around 40% of the population, the homes of several Christian families were burned down in April. Authorities reported that there were no fatalities. The attacks were a response from extremists to attempts to build a new church. Pray for the safety of Christians in Minya and that the Church will grow under pressure.

WEDNESDAY 17 JULY

CHILDREN WITH DISABILITIES

There are estimated to be 21 million children in the MENA living with disabilities. Unfortunately, these children often face stigma, a lack of specialised care and barriers to reaching their full potential. SAT-7 is trying to combat these barriers by including those with disabilities as guests on their programmes and giving them a voice. Pray that SAT-7 can pave the way for the inclusion of children with disabilities in the MENA.

THURSDAY 18 JULY

A FAMILY COMES TO FAITH

A SAT-7 supporter in the UK shared that an Iranian family in their church had all come to faith through watching SAT-7 PARS when they were living in Iran. Give thanks for this family's faith and pray for their spiritual growth as they attend a church in the UK.

FRIDAY 19 JULY

THE CHOSEN

SAT-7 has secured the rights to broadcast the international hit series, *The Chosen*, on our satellite channels and SAT-7 PLUS. *The Chosen* depicts familiar Gospel events and Jesus' interactions with those around him, and will be dubbed into Arabic, Farsi and Turkish. Pray that viewers will be touched by this portrayal of the life of Jesus.

SATURDAY 20 JULY

PRISONERS IN IRAN

There are approximately 189,000 prisoners in Iran, many of whom are wrongfully detained for their religious or

political beliefs. Pray for the release of all those who are wrongfully held, including Christians imprisoned for their faith.

SUNDAY 21 JULY

SPIRITUAL GROWTH

"But grow in the grace and knowledge of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. To him be glory both now and forever! Amen" (2 Peter 3:18).

Pray that SAT-7's programmes and viewer support teams will help new believers to grow in their faith, bringing glory to God.

MONDAY 22 JULY

DEENA FROM IRAN

Deena, a young girl from Iran, contacted SAT-7 with feedback about youth programme, *Golpand*. She said, "The programme has had a big impact on my life and on the things I do. The stories and questions discussed add so much to my understanding, as do the Bible verses at the end." Pray that viewers like Deena will continue to benefit spiritually from *Golpand*.

Tajikistan

TUESDAY 23 JULY

TAJIKISTAN

SAT-7 PARS broadcasts to Tajikistan's Christian minority of 150,000 and other curious viewers, offering an opportunity to hear the Gospel in a country that has seen a sharp decline in religious freedoms. Pray that SAT-7's programmes, including those in the Tajik language, will fill homes with the sound of the Good News.

WEDNESDAY 24 JULY

IN THE WORLD OF WOMEN'S THOUGHTS

SAT-7 and Media Mission the Messengers are working together to produce a new programme for Tajik women called *In the World of Women's Thoughts*. Presented by sisters Farangis and Hamroz, the programme amplifies Tajik women's perspectives on topics that affect them in their daily lives, and shows how God's Word brings hope and healing. Pray for the success of this programme, and that Tajik women who tune in will feel seen.

THURSDAY 25 JULY

TAJIK WORSHIP SONGS

Tajik Christians have been overjoyed to hear worship songs in their language being performed on SAT-7 PARS. Pray that more songs will be written or translated so that they can worship freely in their mother tongue.

FRIDAY 26 JULY

AFROUZ'S PRAYER

Afrouz, a teenage boy from Tajikistan, called into the SAT-7 PARS youth programme, *Hashtag*. He prayed: "Bless all Persian-speakers and open the hearts of those who do not yet believe in Jesus, that they will come to faith. Fill us to overflowing with Your love. Amen." Let's lift Afrouz's prayer before the Lord.

SATURDAY 27 JULY

PERMISSION TO GATHER

Tajik Christians can gather to worship only with permission from the government, which is usually denied. There are churches in only two of the country's cities and none in rural areas. Pray that Christians will be allowed to gather freely to worship.

SUNDAY 28 JULY

UNFAILING LOVE

"Let the morning bring me word of your unfailing love, for I have put my trust in you. Show me the way I should go, for to you I entrust my life" (Psalm 143:8).

Pray that believers in Tajikistan will be moved by God's unfailing love to trust Him despite their circumstances.

MONDAY 29 JULY

NAZYLA in TAJIKISTAN

Nazyla, a teenage Afghan girl living in Tajikistan, prayed with the SAT-7 PARS viewer support team following an episode of *Church4Kids*: "Thank you for *Church4Kids* and for all the good things from Your Word that we learn every week." Pray for Nazyla and other young viewers of *Church4Kids*.

TUESDAY 30 JULY

TAJIKS IN RUSSIA

Due to a lack of jobs, corruption and a declining economy, many men have left Tajikistan for Russia to support their families. Several of these men and other Tajik-speakers living in Russia are known to be tuning in to SAT-7. Pray for these

viewers and that other Tajiks in Russia will hear the Gospel through SAT-7.

WEDNESDAY 31 JULY

TAJIKS IN RUSSIA

A young Tajik man named Farrukh found faith in Jesus through SAT-7. He was so excited when SAT-7 began airing programmes in his language. Now a student in a nearby city, he has become a part of a church there. Pray that Farrukh will be a light to his fellow students.

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