

CHRISTIAN OUTREACH FELLOWSHIP

2018 PRAYER MARKER

1. **GIVE GOD PRAISE** for the opportunity to see a new month. Lay out your plans and expectations, COF ministry and the missionary movement worldwide to Him for His Word says, *“...Unless the LORD builds a house, the work of the builders is wasted. Unless the LORD protects a city, guarding it with sentries will do no good.” – Psalms 127:1 (NLT).*
2. **ENTREAT GOD FOR THE PEACE & PROSPERITY OF GHANA.** It’s important to pray for the country we live in and its leaders so that we can live peaceful and prosperous lives. In the light of this, let us commit the executive, legislature, judiciary, the media and all aspects of our national life to God so that contrary to the Adversary’s wish, our motherland will prosper and great will be her peace.
3. **OUR BOARD.** Their primary task is to provide the needed oversight for the ministry among other things. Let’s pray that God’s Spirit wisdom will continually guide them and also that they would be in good health.
4. **EMMANUEL ANUKUN-DABSON, THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR** - Emmanuel plays a pivotal role in leading the mission and also mobilizing adequate resources to sustain it among other things. Let’s ask the good Lord to increasingly give him strength and wisdom to successfully execute his role.
5. **THE COF OFFICE STAFF.** COF ministry would not have been able to run on its effective administrative and mobilization wheels but for God’s enablement and the following dedicated office staff: Mrs. Grace Akpene Ekpoh-Laryea, the Administrator/ Accountant. Mrs. Yesutor Gumenu, the Communication and Partnership Development Person and Mr. Samuel Osei Antwi, the Driver/Expediter. It will take your prayer to make them continue to effectively and joyfully serve the Lord in their respective offices.
6. **THE FULFULDE (FULANI).** Issa Gyani and his wife, Fati are reaching out to the Fulani in Buipe and its surroundings. The Fulanis are predominantly Muslim and there are very few known Christians among them. Let us pray with the Gyanis that the Lord will use them to raise Fulani disciples for His glory.
7. **THE JULA:** The Jula like the Fulani are in the same spiritual condition. Our Missionary Zachariah Jalil Sungumo Tagrah and his wife, Prisca are reaching the Jula in Wa and its environs. If God’s Word in Rev. 7: 9 must be fulfilled it cannot be without the Jula people group.
8. **THE LIGBI.** The Osmans (Issa and Josephine) are the missionary couple undertaking COF’s renewed outreach to the Ligbi people group. They too like the Jula and Fulani are mostly Muslim. The Ligbi are not amenable to the influence of other faiths particularly Christianity but with your prayer support Osman and his team would be able to reap eternal fruit to the glory of God.
9. **PERSONAL SUPPORT.** It will take God’s people for God’s will to be done on earth and this includes His will for missions. For the work of missions to thrive, God’s people must be the salt

and light of their world, pray, give and also go to the fields. Activate God's enablement by prayer and take the steps He requires of you this month for the advancement of His Kingdom. Also pray for us that we will be able to raise more partners through whom God can further His work among the unreached both in the rural and urban areas.

10. **MISSION CENTER.** We so much look forward to the completion of this project to be used for our training programs, retreats and also help generate revenue to support the running of the ministry. Continue to pray with us that God will bless our resource mobilization efforts as we write proposals and contact individuals and organizations for support.
11. **WILLIAM OFORI ATTA HERITAGE (WOAH).** The heritage seeks to develop Christian women and men of integrity to live out their faith in their everyday lives especially in the marketplace. Our country needs a continuous breed of Christian men and women who live above corruption, deceit and fear of man. By our prayer and becoming the change we want to see, we can "occupy [all levels of our national life] till [He] comes".
12. **THE GHANAIAN CHURCH.** It is the vision of many if not all well-meaning Christians that the Ghanaian Church will be a true reflection, in its context, of what Christ's vision is for His Church the world over. Pray that she will be deeply rooted in God's Word, disciple her members, be mission-centered and lead in all key aspects of our national life and more.
13. **MISSIONS-FRIENDLY CHURCHES.** The support that COF ministry continues to enjoy from the following churches is worthy of mention: Korle Bu Community Chapel, International Central Gospel Church (ICGC-Christ Temple), Legon Interdenominational Church (LIC), the Church of Pentecost(HQ) , the Apostolic Church (HQ), Assemblies of God, Ghana (HQ), Legon Assemblies of God, Unity Assemblies of God (Haatso), University Interdenominational Church (UIC) - Cape Coast, Pantang Hospital United Church, St. John's Methodist Church (Tantra Hill) among others. Pray that the flame of missionary zeal will never die out in these churches.
14. **FOREIGN PARTNERS.** Our brothers and sisters outside Ghana who support COF ministry have been simply phenomenal. Pray for them to be prospered by God both spiritually and materially.
15. **THE WESTERN CHURCH.** It's a sad reality that the West has become a mission field today and its glory of being the home of modern Christian missions is past glory. Because Christians in Ghana and for that matter Africa have been beneficiaries of mission work from the West, we simply cannot ignore their plight. Pray for the existing churches in Europe and America for sustainable revival and growth.
16. **GRASSROOTS TRAINING.** Through 'The Timothy Initiative (TTI), our Missionaries and Church Planters continue to be theologically empowered for service while staying on the field. There are currently ten existing TTI centers in Dama-Nkwanta, Gushiegu, Savelugu, Sagnerigu, Tolon, Wa, Bolgatanga, Navrongo, Bawku and Nayoko. For this training model to be sustained, it will take God's enablement in addition to the commitment of all the leaders and their students to plant self-reproducing churches in spite of any and all challenges. Please pray for this and more to happen.

17. **MUSLIMS.** Fact is, Islam is a primary threat in all the places that we minister. It is no secret that some Ghanaians have joined these terrorist groups abroad. The eternal destiny of many Muslims is eternity apart from God (Hell). Let us ask Jesus to, through the preaching of His Gospel, reveal Himself to Muslims in Ghana and the world at large so that they can surrender their lives to Him.
18. **MISSIONARY FAMILIES.** It is one thing to successfully lead others to Christ and disciple them. It is quite another to be able to disciple members of your own household and have them retained in the faith - such is the challenge of our missionary teams. In today's modern society where morality is increasingly eroding coupled with economic challenges, let's intercede for our missionary teams so that their children will not abandon the faith their parents are working so hard to build in other people's lives.
19. **THE DAGOMBA PEOPLE GROUP (Old Fields).** Gushiegu and Savelugu headed by Elisha & Ernestina Adam and Emmanuel & Sanatu Gurindow respectively are among some of our old mission fields. These missionary couples above have been faithful over the years. Let's ask God to increasingly renew their strength like the eagle's and cause a great harvest of Dagombas to be made for His glory.
20. **THE DAGOMBA PEOPLE GROUP (New Fields).** The following Missionaries and their wives are ministering in the new fields: Noah Mumuni, Zachaeus Mahama, Mahama Tahiru, Peter Abdulai, Mumuni Karimu, Iddi Dramani, Thomas Tia, James Bavor, Emmanuel Issa, Addae Sayibu Napari, Mustapha Abdulai, Mohammed Mahama, Zachariah Mahama and Joseph Abdulai. Let us pray that these missionary couples will be able to effectively evangelize and disciple all of Dagomba land as the Lord empowers them.
21. **MISSIONS IN WEST AFRICA.** Francophone West Africa is reported to have less than 50% reached rating/status. Pray for the Francophone Church to rise up to the challenge of the Gospel in her region. Also pray for the Anglophone Church to come alongside her Francophone counterpart to deploy more workers to this predominantly Muslim field.
22. **THE KOKOMBA & KOMBA PEOPLE.** They have proved partially amenable to the Gospel but there is a great harvest yet to be reaped. Let us pray that this will happen soon. These missionaries and their wives are ministering to the Kokomba and Komba in the Northern and Brong Ahafo Regions: Charles Makate, Caleb Masala and Joseph Wahab Zuniru. Timothy and Jacob Nmayi are also on this team.
23. **PROJECTS.** The ministry continues to undertake projects that will benefit the field materially. To this end, traction bullocks, a vocational center, and a basic school are among some examples of how the fields have been resourced. We also provide care for elderly women at the Nabuli alleged witches camp among others. Pray that these projects will be channels for the holistic transformation of lives as intended.
24. **THE MAMPRUSI, BIRIFO & LOBI.** Let's petition God for these Missionary Couples to continue to be bold and persistent in their outreach: Joseph Kora and his wife ministering among the Mamprusi. Obed Idrissu, Kwaku Paul and their wives, ministering to the Birifo & Lobi.

25. **RETIRED MISSIONARIES.** It's easy to receive regular support when one is actively serving as a Missionary but the question of how comfortably missionaries are able to make ends meet while on retirement still remains a big issue. Let's us pray for the Lord's provision for all retiree Missionaries or Missionaries nearing retirement so that they will serve as sources of encouragement for the generation taking up after them.
26. **SISTER MINISTRIES.** Let us pray for good leadership and adequate resources for missionary organizations ministering in Ghana or originating from Ghana such as Salt and Light Ministries, Torchbearers, Pioneers, Theo Vision, Living Bread Mission, Siloam, Full Stature, Samaritan Strategy, Oneway-Africa, SIM etc. Pray also for Para-Church partners like MMCT-West Africa, Markaz al-Bishara, Challenge Enterprise, WEC etc.
27. **UPPER EAST MINISTRY. Frafra Outreach:** Ministering among the Frafra in Bolgatanga is Hilliah Albright and his wife. **Kusasi Outreach:** Noah Abdul-Karim is serving in Bawku. These missionaries and their wives are also on the Kusasi Outreach team and serving at various posts: Gideon Azure, Amos Akugre, Moses Mbilla, Francis Aduku, Joshua Mbilla, Timothy Azam and Joshua Abugre. **Builsa Outreach:** Kofi Samson and his wife are serving in the Fumbisi area. **Kasena Outreach:** Felix Ane-Kwaradam and his wife are serving in Navrongo and its surroundings. Pray for breakthroughs in these areas and also pray for the converts that will be made through the preaching of the Gospel.
28. **UPPER WEST MINISTRY.** The following missionaries and their wives, Samuel Saakpa, Abraham Bozie and Andrews Nowihi are preaching the Gospel to the Dagaaba and Wala people. These people worship traditional gods and very few know about Christ.
29. **LITERACY & CAMPUS MINISTRIES.** Let us pray for organizations involved in Christian literacy work in Ghana e.g. the Bible Society of Ghana, Ghana Institute of Linguistics, Literacy and Bible Translation (GILLBT). Also pray for campus ministries such as Scripture Union, GHAFES, Campus Crusade, Excellent Youth Outreach (EYO) among others.
30. **ECUMENICAL BODIES & CHRISTIAN MEDIA.** Pray for Christian bodies like the Ghana Evangelical Missions Association (**GEMA**), Ghana Evangelism Committee (**GEC**), Christian Council of Ghana (**CCG**), Ghana Pentecostal & Charismatic Council (**GPCC**) etc. Pray also for Christian Media like The Watchman, Christian Messenger, Sunny FM, Spring FM, Sweet Melodies FM, Bishara Radio etc. for an earthly-relevant and eternally beneficial ministry.
31. **APPRECIATE GOD** for the mission enterprise of COF in particular and sister mission agencies and churches the world over. Regardless of the toils and tears which so often characterize missions work the fact still remains that making disciples through the preaching of the Gospel of Jesus Christ is still undeniably, God's sure way for saving people and populating His kingdom. Let's therefore thank Him given all He's done through COF ministry for this month and what He will do in the months ahead.

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