

CHRISTMAS CALENDAR

Celebrate the season with Every Home's Christmas calendar. These daily prompts will help you pray for the world and remember the simple gifts of Christmas.

DECEMBER

01 Consider where your hope is resting this season. If you feel hurried, take a deep breath and practice resting in Jesus. Invite the Lord remind you of simple hopes.

THURSDAY

DOMINICAN REPUBLIC POP. 10,500,000 10.8% WPM # 18
Pray for the efforts to reach Haitian people in the Dominican Republic. "We are working to translate the Love Your Neighbor kit into Haitian Creole in order to mobilize into the harvest the Haitian pastors, both in Haiti with Every Home Haiti and in the DR," the team explains. (Acts 18:12-19:41; Ephesians 1-2)

02 Find a picture of a home in the nation you are learning about this season, and try to make a gingerbread house version of it.

FRIDAY

CROATIA POP. 4,200,000 0.4% WPM # 78
The Every Home team in Croatia asks for prayer for God to call local believers to go on outreach. "We need dedicated people willing to reach the lost. Pray that God would touch the hearts of faithful servants who will walk the dirty roads of our towns, cities, and villages to share the good news of our Lord Jesus Christ!" (Ephesians 3-6)

03 Spend ten minutes in silence and stillness today. During the Christmas season, we remember what it means to wait on the Lord.

SATURDAY

MOZAMBIQUE POP. 30,800,000 13.2% WPM # 140
"The people of Guruja village in Buzi District (Sofala Province) are difficult to reach due to poor roads," explains our Every Home team. "We must reach everyone, no matter what, so pray for the outreaches in Guruja. Your prayers are fuel as we bulldoze through these entangled places." (Romans 1-3)

04 Today, the second week of Advent begins. Read Isaiah 11:1-10. Take a journey (walk or drive) around your neighborhood. Remember the names of neighbors you know.

SUNDAY

MIDDLE EAST CREATIVE ACCESS #31
Our Every Home team in this nation shares: "We are planning to reach new places in our country where sharing the gospel is restricted. Pray for godly wisdom for us and that our steps would be guided and protected by him and our words would reach all the ones the Lord would have us reach." (Psalms 138-140)

05 Research the holidays and traditions of the people who live in the nation you chose to focus on this season. What do families do to prepare for a celebration? Imagine traveling there to celebrate. How long would it take?

MONDAY

SOUTH ASIA CREATIVE ACCESS #43
Dengue is spreading in many regions of this country. Dengue is a viral infection transmitted to humans through the bite of infected mosquitoes. It causes high fever, body aches, diarrhea, vomiting, etc. Please pray for God's protection over all our team members and healing for those who are sick. (Romans 4-6)

06 Light a candle and watch it flicker while you take ten deep breaths. This season we fix our eyes on Jesus: the Light of the World.

TUESDAY

ST. VINCENT AND THE GRENADINES POP. 100,000 41.0% WPM # 28
The Every Home team in this area is asking for prayer for the youth. There has been a steady and alarming increase in crime, leading to the deaths of many young people. Pray that the Lord would speak to the hearts of the youth of this nation and that they would hear and accept his call on their lives. (Romans 7-9)

07 Write a list of five desires of your heart right now. Bring them to Christ in prayer.

WEDNESDAY

SERBIA POP. 6,900,000 0.7% WPM # 80
The Every Home team in Serbia requests prayer for those who hear about Jesus for the first time: "Pray for people who have responded positively to the message of hope, that the Lord will touch their hearts and they will receive him as Savior! Praise the Lord for what we believe he will do." (Romans 10-12)

08 Go out of your way to meet a neighbor you've never met before. Ask about their plans for the holidays. Remember their names.

THURSDAY

MALI POP. 20,100,000 0.6% WPM # 104
The team in Mali needs more partners to do training, prayer, and evangelization. Pray God will inspire more believers to be involved with Oikos through volunteering, praying, or giving as 2 Thessalonians 3:1 says, "Pray for us, that the word of the Lord may have free course and be glorified." (Romans 13-16)

09 Take a drive around your city to admire Christmas lights and decorations.

FRIDAY

CENTRAL ASIA CREATIVE ACCESS # 51
The Every Home team asks, "Please pray for our nation during the Christmas season as we do outreach in many cities. This can be an exciting but dangerous time as we share the gospel with so many who have never heard of Jesus before. Pray that many lives would be touched." (Acts 20-22)

10 SATURDAY Spend ten minutes in silence and stillness today. You don't have to go anywhere to find God; he came to us.

MYANMAR POP. 57,000,000 4.8% WPM # 182
Please pray for all of the Every Home friends and partners who are going out this month to share the good news with their neighbors. Pray for safety, wisdom, strength, and health. God knows each believer and every person they will meet. And we know when we pray, God hears us and will help see the work completed! (Acts 23–25)

13 TUESDAY Dance to your favorite Christmas song today. Celebrate Jesus coming to live on earth in a human body and giving you a human body to praise him with!

LITHUANIA POP. 2,700,000 1.4% WPM # 90
Lithuania needs revival, and the Every Home team asks for prayer that it will come soon and that the people will open their hearts to God! "Pray," they ask, "that the Lord would bless the Every Home evangelism work and our outreaches from home to home and give us even more new believers here!" (Colossians)

16 FRIDAY Watch a favorite Christmas movie. Think about your favorite part of this story. Are there elements of this story that echo the biblical Christmas story?

SOUTH EAST ASIA CREATIVE ACCESS #22
Please pray for a family that is experiencing persecution in the northern part of this country. They have been kicked out of their village and told they will only be allowed to return if they deny Jesus. Pray they can return without any more hassles and that the Lord will use this situation for his plan and glory. (Hebrews 9–11)

19 MONDAY Research what everyday life is like for the people of the nation you are learning about. Look at maps, photos, statistics, and any first-hand accounts you can find.

CHILE POP. 18,300,000 23.0% WPM # 42
Please pray as the Every Home team ministers to a community for which they have translated the Bible into Mapudungun, an indigenous language, in order to reach them with the message of salvation. We ask for prayer for this new scripture translation to encourage the people and lead them to Christ! (Philemon; 1 Timothy)

11 SUNDAY Today, the third week of Advent begins, a time to reflect on joy! Read Matthew 11:2–11. Recall when you first met Jesus. Invite him to encounter you anew this Christmas.

NICARAGUA POP. 6,200,000 42.9% WPM # 8
Please pray, the team asks, for the Lord to open doors, allowing them to build relationships with new pastors so they can join in the Oikos initiative to reach everyone, everywhere. Pray for unity among all the pastors and that they would partner together with one heart to carry out the great commission. (Psalms 141–143)

14 WEDNESDAY Write a list of five things you are grateful for right now. Take a moment to thank God for his many good gifts.

TANZANIA POP. 62,000,000 11.0% WPM # 136
The regions around Lake Victoria are Mwanza, Geita, Kagera, and Shinyanga. Murder rates are high here due to witchcraft rituals performed over gold miners and fishermen. They believe that the more blood they shed, the more they will excel in their jobs. Pray for deliverance and for God to bind the evil spirits. (Hebrews 1–4)

17 SATURDAY Spend ten minutes in silence and stillness today. Enjoy God's presence. He is Emmanuel, God with us!

VENEZUELA POP. 29,000,000 12.1% WPM # 35
"Our goal is to add partner churches in each region of the country, and we have been praying and working on this," says our ministry director. "We have seen the interest of some churches in participating, so we ask for your prayers that more will join us in the Oikos initiative." (Hebrews 12–13; Titus)

20 TUESDAY Schedule a time this week to make your favorite seasonal recipe. Find someone to share it with. Good food is meant to be shared.

ANGOLA POP. 33,600,000 23.1% WPM # 137
As the team works to mobilize the church, they are discovering that many groups are resistant to partnering with Every Home. Pray God will awaken within them a desire to complete the Lord's call to his great commission and that their involvement will make a difference in seeing it to fruition. (2 Timothy)

12 MONDAY Find a recipe from the nation you are learning about this season to try at home, or visit a restaurant serving your nation's cuisine. Savor the flavors.

URUGUAY POP. 3,300,000 7.2% WPM # 45
"We thank God for the new materials that have arrived in our office, including the Love Your Neighbor kit, which has brought great joy and encouragement to the churches," an Every Home team member shares. Please pray for continued inspiration for believers in Uruguay! (Acts 26–28)

15 THURSDAY Write notes of gratitude to the helpers who fill your life: the people who deliver your mail, pick up your trash, make your coffee, or anyone who comes to mind.

CENTRAL ASIA CREATIVE ACCESS # 14
Several of the Every Home volunteers and church leaders have been arrested and accused of being "western spies." During protests, police and secret service agents have arrested Christians that are not participating in the rioting. Please pray for them as they endure this persecution. (Hebrews 5–8)

18 SUNDAY Today begins the fourth week of Advent. Read Matthew 1:18–25. Invite God to show you something unexpected.

RWANDA POP. 12,900,000 26.2% WPM # 134
Our Every Home ministry in Rwanda has been preparing the Christian churches since October to enter the Christmas season and to organize events in the major cities of the country, most notably in Nyarugenge, Gasabo, Ngoma, Nyabihu and Gakenke. Pray for these events to bless people. (Psalms 144–146)

21 WEDNESDAY Write a list of people who have shaped the course of your life. Notice the nearness of Christ in your relationships.

MIDDLE EAST CREATIVE ACCESS #47
The team in this nation says, "We have many new people coming to Christ. Please pray for them as in this nation it can be difficult, especially for new believers. Pray they will have courage and strength as they learn what it means to be a Christian and how they can reach others with their new faith." (1 Peter)

22 Today, look people in the eye and call them by name. Notice how special God has made them. Ask the Lord to help you see people the way he sees them.

SOUTH ASIA CREATIVE ACCESS #15
POP. 1,200,000,000 0.2% WPM # 79
For a long time, the border between this nation and another has been closed. Praise the Lord that the border is now open, with only a few restrictions. Please pray that this would help in moving around and also that the leaders would have the wisdom and determination to reach their goals this year. (1 John)

23 Try listening to your favorite Christmas songs in another language.

BOSNIA & HERZEGOVINA POP. 3,800,000 0.2% WPM # 79
FRIDAY
"Pray for people from Novi Grad, Kozarska Dubica, and Prijedor who received the gospel to understand the message of salvation and accept Christ as their Savior," asks the team. "Pray they can free themselves from the shackles of tradition that keep them in bondage." (2 Peter; 2 John; 3 John; Jude)

24 Spend ten minutes in silence and stillness today. Wonder at God's miracles and his great love for you!

DEM. REP. OF THE CONGO POP. 105,000,000 19.2% WPM # 133
SATURDAY
The nation is continuing to struggle with major issues as a society, including difficulties finding gas, rising inflation, and food insecurity. Pray that the Every Home team will know how to evangelize amid the suffering and strife and remain focused on winning souls to Jesus. Let him restore peace! (Revelation 1-4)

25 Merry Christmas from the global Every Home fellowship! "I bring you good news that will cause great joy for all the people...a Savior has been born to you." (Luke 2:10-11)

UGANDA POP. 44,700,000 33.7% WPM # 131
SUNDAY
"Continue to pray for Karamoja, a region devastated by famine and hunger. People are literally starving to death every day," our team reports. "There is little government intervention in this plight. We know that the Lord can turn around this situation and would appreciate prayers to this end." (Psalm 147-150)

MERRY CHRISTMAS!

26 Spend time in prayer for the people of the nation you chose to learn about this season. If possible, learn about current events in your nation and pray accordingly.

CENTRAL ASIA CREATIVE ACCESS #34
MONDAY
The Every Home team reports, "There has been a major influx of immigrants to our country in the last couple of months. Pray that we would be able to reach all of these desperate people with the good news of Jesus Christ and that he would bring them great comfort during this time of upheaval." (Revelation 5:1-8:5)

27 Call a friend just to hear the sound of their voice, and ask about their Christmas.

CZECHIA POP. 10,700,000 0.7% WPM # 69
TUESDAY
The war in Ukraine and subsequent energy crisis is negatively impacting Czechia. Pray that Every Home team members can bring the good news to Czech families and show them that there is hope amid the problems of war. Pray also for increased amounts of literature to reach everyone! (Revelation 8:6-11:19)

28 Write a list of five prayers for the new year. Try to include prayers for yourself and others.

ROMANIA POP. 21,200,000 6.3% WPM # 81
WEDNESDAY
Pray for the Ukrainian schools and churches that have been established in Romania since the war in Ukraine began. So many have been displaced and brought into the country for their safety, so prayer is needed on how to handle the influx. Pray that many will come to know Christ. (Revelation 12-13)

29 Pay a genuine compliment to someone you don't know today. Practice seeing someone like Jesus sees them.

BANGLADESH POP. 164,000,000 0.4% WPM # 179
THURSDAY
Please pray for the safety of all Every Home evangelists and church volunteers as they go into the unreached places and remote areas to share the gospel. Most people do not receive the messages kindly, so please pray that God would speak to them and open their minds and hearts. (Revelation 14-16)

30 Visit a favorite spot in nature today. Pray, sing, or move your body. Think about being fully aware of God's gifts.

CAPE VERDE POP. 500,000 8.7% WPM # 107
FRIDAY
Because of a recent wave of urban crime, a lot of people live in fear. This affects the Every Home team's ability to conduct door-to-door evangelism because people are hesitant to receive people due to security issues. Pray for this situation, that people will hear about Christ in a safe manner. (Revelation 17-19)

31 Spend ten minutes in silence and stillness today. The new year is in God's hands.

LIBERIA POP. 5,200,000 11.5% WPM # 133
SATURDAY
"Please pray for divine peace in Liberia," the Every Home team asks, "as we undergo presidential elections in 2023. This means everywhere we go it is tense because of the political climate and there is a shortage of rice (many people's primary food) causing citizens to get angry and afraid." (Revelation 20-22)

Daily Prayer Watch December 2022

Listed at the top right of each daily request is the nation's population, the percentage of evangelical believers (Joshua Project), and a number that corresponds with Every Home for Christ's 2021 edition of the World Prayer Map. At the end of each prayer request is the assigned reading for the day to read through the Bible in a year. "Creative Access" nations cannot be disclosed due to security concerns, and some names have been changed for privacy.

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