PERSECUTION RELIEF
PRAYER CALENDAR - JULY 2018
01 JULY, MADHYA PRADESH
Religious fanatics illegally trespassed into the residence of Bro. Janglia Neenama from Gomala village, Jhabua district, Madhya Pradesh, disrupting the prayer meeting, beating the assembled congregation, accusing them of indulging in conversion activities. Believers were rushed to the government hospital for treatment. Pray for Madhya Pradesh & pray that Anti-conversion bill should be abolished in Madhya Pradesh and all the other 7 states.

02 JULY, BIHAR
Pray for Pastor Suryadev Kumar, a resident of Nadaura village, Arwal district, Bihar, who was pushed out of a moving train and grievously injured. Pray for Pastor and his family of wife and six children. Pray also for protection for all saints of God, who witness Christ boldly, against all odds, across India.

03 JULY, CHHATTISGARH
Bro. Halal Ram Sahu and family are residents of Sirsida Village, Kanker district of Chhattisgarh. They are being socially boycotted for becoming followers of Jesus Christ. Recently, Bro. Halal Ram was prevented the right to bury his wife according to Christian rites. Pray for all Christians in Chhattisgarh who continue to face ostracization and discrimination for their faith.

04 JULY, UTTAR PRADESH
Pastor Deepak who ministers at AG Church Mahoba, Uttar Pradesh, was arrested on false accusations by a Church member. She accused Pastor falsely of offering money for conversion. Please pray for Pastor and his family. Like Pastor Deepak, many men & women of God are accused and imprisoned on false cases, Pray for their acquittal.

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05 JULY, ANDHRA PRADESH
Pastor Suguna Rao has been pastoring Seeyonu Prayer Fellowship Church for the past 14 years in Andhra Pradesh. Local religious fanatics are ‘trying to hinder the construction of his residence. Please pray for Pastor and also for all the God’s servants in Andhra Pradesh. Across India many Church constructions have been stopped due to pressure from religious fanatics. Please pray.

06 JULY, JHARKHAND
8 Christian families, residents of Satantola village, located in Patan District in Jharkhand, have been harassed since January 2018. All of these families are being denied electricity, water and work driving them to poverty. They have abandoned their homes and property and moved to a neighbouring village. Pray for God protection and provision for these 8 families. Pray for Jharkhand and also Pray that all these believers who have left all their belongings should go back to their own places in peace.

07 JULY, TAMIL NADU
Police officials visited Pastor Bhakkiyaraj to inform him that a complaint had been lodged against him and the Church. The SI claimed that Pastor was involved in conversion activities and ‘sound pollution’ caused by the Worship service. Pray for the religious fanatic group Hindu Munnani, who have approached the Collector with a Petition to immediately stop the worship service of 10 Churches in the area. Pray for all the Church’s in India facing similar problem.

08 JULY, ANDHRA PRADESH
Pastor John Basha, lives in One Town, Vijayawada, Andhra Pradesh with his family. He and his family are being harassed, threatened & mocked by the neighbors to abandon their faith in Jesus Christ. Pray for all the Men of God who go through ordeals like this on a daily basis. Pray for Andhra Pradesh.

09 JULY, CHHATTISGARH
Pastor Ageshwar Verma from the village Ghorha, district Bemetra, Chhattisgarh, is on a wheelchair from 2014. Despite many personal tragedies and hardships & setbacks, Pastor Ageshwar is unwilling to give in to pressure to stop the Worship service. After few months of closing down the Church, they have resumed Sunday worship services on March 2018, from his home. Pray for Pastor Ageshwar and many others who suffer bigotry and injustice. Pray for Chhattisgarh.

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10 JULY, JHARKHAND
A Cross was vandalized at the Church of North India (CNI), Cemetery at Bhandaria, one of the administrative blocks of Garhwa District, Jharkhand. Once before also the cross was vandalized. Please pray for the safety of Church buildings across India and for God’s protection over all Christian institutions.

11 JULY, MADHYA PRADESH
False accusations have been made against Bro. Ahmed (name changed) and 3 others. They are facing several hardships from within their community and are being harassed since several months. Pray that God will cover Bro. Ahmed and all the other Belivers who come from different faiths.

12 JULY, ODISHA
Pastor Mukunda was visiting Bro. Bihari Khondu and his family at Kumelsinga Village, Odisha, which is about 5 kms away his residence. 2 unknown persons got into the house & dragged him out of the house and later he was brutally beaten with sticks, rods, pipes alleging that he was converting people. They tore his clothes and stripped him down to his underwear, without any provocation. Pray for the safety of all Christians in Odisha and India.

13 JULY, TAMIL NADU
Pray for Pastor Gunasekaran and his son Pastor Sampath Solomon from Madurai Tamil Nadu, who were threatened by a Journalist, who tried to extort money, using the names of local Hindu religious organisation. Pastor informed the Police who laid a trap to caught the perpetrator. Pray for all servants of God who continue to face such threats and extortions. Pray for Tamil Nadu.

14 JULY, MADHYA PRADESH
Religious fundamentalists gatecrashed into the Church during Sunday worship service. They accused Pastor Mahendra and others of making a fool of ignorant people and offering them inducements, to make them Christians. After investigation, Pastors refused to file a complaint against their perpetrators, testifying about our Lord Jesus who has commanded us to love and forgive our persecutors. Pray for the Persecutors and also forgive them for their acts.

15 JULY, UTTAR PRADESH
Pastor Vinay Kumar Verma from Raebareli District, Uttar Pradesh, had been threatened
not to conduct worship services or face dire consequences by religious fanatics. They have also threatened the local Christians in the village with social boycott and ostracization. Pray for Pastor Vinay and all the Christians in the village. Pray for all the 75 districts of Uttar Pradesh.

16 JULY, HARYANA
Christians who had travelled from far distances to attend worship service at Pastor Jay Baghwan’s Church at Karnal District, Haryana, were prevented by fanatics who abused and threatened them with dire consequences and chased away. Pray for Pastor Jay Baghwan and protection over its members. Pray for Haryana and all the believers across India who are unable to attend Sunday worship services because of fear and threat.

17 JULY, JHARKHAND
Pastor Raja Durai has been ministering with “Believer’s Church”, Palayam, Dindigul District, Tamil Nadu. Pastor & his fellow believers were stopped by a mob of religious fanatics from distributing New Testament Bibles and Bible tracts in a Public place. They were taken to the Police Station. Pray for Tamil Nadu, which has recorded he maximum number of Persecution cases.

18 JULY, RAJASTHAN
Evangelist Vijender Singh along with Evangelist Kanshiram from Churur and Evangelist Sahiram from Ganga Nagar, in Khajuwala Tehsil of Bikaner District of Rajasthan, were arrested while distributing Bible Tracts titled “Parmeshwar Ka Susamachar”. They were detained for 1 week before they secured bail. Pray for all Evangelists working in India. Pray for Rajasthan and pray that all men and women of God who are in jails for gospel sake, may be released immediately.

19 JULY, PONDICHERRY
Karaikal Bible Presbyterian Church at Pondicherry, a Union Territory town bounded by the southeastern Tamil Nadu state was set on fire. Every item in the Church – furniture, Holy Bibles, Chairs, music instruments, electronic items – were all burnt to ashes. Pray for Pastor Santosham who had spent around 2 Lakhs renovating the Church. Pray for God’s divine protection of all Churches and house churches. Pray for Pondicherry and pray that God may provide all the required finances to rebuilt the Church buildings across India which have been burned.
20 JULY, ANDHRA PRADESH
Members of the Church “Sharon Prarthana Mandiram” in Vagarru Tupilipalem village, Vakadu Tehsil of Sri Potti Sriramulu Nellore district in Andhra Pradesh, are fishermen families, for the past 20 years. The local villagers were stopping the Christian fishermen from selling fish in the market. They are being told that they have no rights since they have become Christians. Pray that all the villagers may live in peace. Pray for peace and harmony across all the villages of Andhra Pradesh.

21 JULY, KARNATAKA
Pastor Arjun Mange and other Christians were congregated at Gadag District, Karnataka for Sunday worship service when they were beaten by religious fundamentalists warning them not to conduct meetings again. Pray for Pastor Arjun who has several false cases against him. Pray for Karnataka.

22 JULY, UTTAR PRADESH
Pastor Rai Sahab ministers at Yesu Darbar, located at Muradpur Kotila village, Badlapur Tehsil, Jaunpur district, Uttar Pradesh, was attacked while worship service was in progress. Pastor was then forcibly taken to the Police Station but released after investigation by the Police. Pray for Pastor Rai to stand strong and not be discouraged. Pray for the protection and safety of all during the Worship services across India, pray that every plan of enemy be destroyed in Jesus name.

23 JULY, ODISHA
Pastor Madhusudan Santa, resident of Maidalpur village, Paparahandi Tehsil, Nabarangpur District, Odisha, was on his way back from the local market, when he was ambushed, motorbike forcefully stopped by a mob of religious fundamentalists and brutally beaten falsely alleging that he was converting people. Pray for Pastor and his family who are the only Christians in the village. Pray for all the Christian families who live in fear and uncertainty, in the villages of India.

24 JULY, UTTAR PRADESH
Pastor Gyan Singh along with 2 Brothers, were arrested from the residence of Bro. Mangu, at Rudhauli village in Basti District of Uttar Pradesh, for praying. The local villagers attacked Bro. Mangu’s home. Pastor Gyan Singh and his team were arrested. Pray for all the Christians who are booked on false charges.
25 JULY, CHHATTISGARH
Bro. Ravinder Singh and his family, live in Badki Mahari, at Balrampur Town in Sarguja District of Chhattisgarh. The Village Head and the local villager elders conferred together and decided to subject this Christian family to social boycott because of their allegiance to Christian faith. Pray for several families who are being ostracized and denied their rights because of their faith in Jesus Christ. Pray for Chhattisgarh.

26 JULY, TAMIL NADU
Pastor Gnanapragasam, ministers at Peniel Prayer House at Nigiris District, Gudalur. The neighbor vandalized the name board, water pipes, because of Pastor’s faith in Jesus Christ and threatened to destroy the family. Please pray for the neighbors who reside near the Church buildings and the colonies, that God may bless them all that they would all come to know the love of Jesus Christ.

27 JULY, UTTAR PRADESH

28 JULY, BIHAR
During Sunday Worship Service, a few unidentified fanatics, entered Pastor Subash’s house and shouted abuses and threats at the Pastor and the congregation. Alleging that they were converting people. Pastor Subash his wife Sis. Sarah & Sis. Rajini were remanded to jail for 3 weeks. By the help of local Christian leaders they were released. Please pray for Bihar.

29 JULY, TAMIL NADU
Pastor Paul Joshua, his mother and elders of the Church were summoned to the Police Station at Anna Nagar, in Peelamedu, an eastern suburb of Coimbatore city in Tamil Nadu. At the Police Station, the Inspector Selva Raj was most ill-mannered and very insulting to them. Pastor alleged police high-handedness as they accused him of being involved in conversion activities, without any investigation. Pastor was forced to write an undertaking that he would not congregate to pray without permission before being released. Pray for all the Policemen and their families and also pray that they may discharge their duties with honesty and sincerity across India.

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30 JULY, TRIPURA
Pray for Evangelist Davis, affiliated to the Brethren Assembly, Tripura, India. The Assembly is facing hardship in constructing a Church building in their own land & nobody in the surrounding is ready to give any place on rent also because of fear from the religious fanatics. Pray for Tripura. Church, pray and bless all the house owners across India, who had given their premises to worship the Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ.

31 JULY, TAMIL NADU
Pastor Nedunchezian has been ministering at Moovarasamet Madipakkam, Tamil Nadu, for the last 9 years, and is affiliated with Apostolic Christian Assembly. VBS had just concluded when Pastor Nedunchezian, was stabbed and grievously injured by a religious fanatic, without any provocation. Pray for the protection of all saints of God as they faithfully serve Jesus Christ.