



31 Days of Prayer

Join us in praying for Operation Christmas Child during the 31 days leading up to National Collection Week. The requests below will guide your prayer times each day.

PREPARATION

Oct. 13 - Thank God for the cross and the sacrifice of His only Son that made it possible for us to understand lostness and love.

Oct. 14 - Thank God for the millions of hearts that have been reached through Operation Christmas Child and pray that He would renew the good work He's started in them.

Oct. 15 - Thank God for the children who reach the parents and the parents who reach the village, and the nation that is changed through one heart and one village at a time.

PACKING SEASON

Oct. 16 - Pray for the lives of the individuals and families who are packing shoebox gifts this year that they understand the powerful and eternal work they are co-laboring with Jesus to accomplish. (1 Corinthians 3:9)

Oct. 17 - Pray that we reach our shoebox goal, and that the number wouldn't be the central theme or the center stage, but our focus would be on powerful Gospel opportunities.

Oct. 18 - Ask God for favor with media outlets of all kinds. Ask Him to make "streams in the desert". (Isaiah 43:19)

Oct. 19 - Pray for the "heart of an evangelist" to be birthed in churches that pack shoebox gifts. Ask God to raise up leaders who are passionate about the calling of discipleship and multiplication through Operation Christmas Child.

Oct. 20 - Pray for an increase in Build a Shoebox Online gifts and ask God for a harvest in hard-to-reach places because of the increase. (John 4:35)

COLLECTION AND PROCESSING

Oct. 21 - Pray for our God-appointed teams at each Drop-off Location. Pray for the Lord's provision to fill all roles with effective volunteers who remain healthy and safe for the entire week. Pray peace, unity, and joy over each location.

Oct. 22 - Ask God for each Drop-off Location to efficiently collect, count, cartonize, and transport shoebox gifts this season.

Oct. 23 - Pray for transformational, joy-filled and grace-filled interactions with those who drop off shoebox gifts.

Oct. 24 - Pray for the countless touches on each shoebox gift - from the packers to the truckers. Pray that there would be opportunities to share the Gospel with everyone involved.

Oct. 25 - Pray for the volunteers serving at Processing Centers, that they would each have an amazing experience and grow closer to the Lord as they serve.

Oct. 26 - Pray that the logistics in the Processing Centers will be smooth, and the Gospel opportunities will be processed in a timely manner from start to finish.

Oct. 27 - Pray for God's hand of protection over those serving in Processing Center leadership roles as well as their families. Pray that they each could see the impact of their sacrifice.

Oct. 28 - Pray for our Processing Center chaplains—that they would be bold and willing vessels in whatever capacity they need to fill, day in and day out.

INTERNATIONAL SHIPPING AND LOGISTICS

Oct. 29 - Ask God to give favor in our relationships with government officials and customs officials. Pray that the leadership in those over 100 countries will be blessed because of their cooperation.

Oct. 30 - Pray for the safety for those who move the boxes from one place to another and into the hands of the children. Pray that the enemy, who comes to steal, kill and destroy, would be pushed back. (John 10:10)

Oct. 31 - Ask God to keep His eye on each individual shoebox gift that's been prepared for each individual child. Pray that the Lord would protect each shoebox gift and He would guide it into the hand of the specific child that should receive it.

NATIONAL LEADERSHIP TEAMS

Nov. 1 - Thank God for the partners who are already eagerly awaiting the shoebox gifts. Pray that God would lead us to even more partners who will be passionate for evangelism, discipleship, and multiplication.

Nov. 2 - Pray for the physical health of all of our international volunteers as they train Ministry Partner churches all around their countries.

Nov. 3 - Pray that God's love would be evident upon our National Leadership Teams. Pray that unity, boldness and the Gospel message will be what empowers them in ministry.

UNREACHED PEOPLE GROUPS

Nov. 4 - Pray that ungodly foundations would be uprooted, walls would come down, and doors would be open to at least 100 unreached people groups this year.

Nov. 5 - Pray that our National Leadership Teams would be discerning and wise when it comes to the timing of outreach efforts to hard-to-reach places and peoples.

GOSPEL OUTREACH

Nov. 6 - Pray over the outreach events that will happen in the coming months. Pray for safety, good locations, and effectiveness. Pray that the Gospel message would be clear and shared with urgency. Pray that the message given with each shoebox gift would pierce the heart and bear fruit.

Nov. 7 - Thank God that He already knows the children and the families who will participate in outreach events this year. Ask Him to prepare hearts and minds, that each will hear and understand and then choose Jesus.

Nov. 8 - Pray for those who will present the Gospel at outreach events. Pray for clarity and confidence in the Word of God.

THE GREATEST JOURNEY

Nov. 9 - Pray for pastors, teachers, and local ministry partners—that they would have perseverance to follow up, and that The Greatest Journey would result in effective discipleship.

Nov. 10 - Pray for a multitude of graduates of The Greatest Journey. Pray that the seed would fall on fertile soil, and that nothing would steal the fruit of the good work in their lives. (Matthew 13:1-9)

CONCLUSION

Nov. 11 - Thank God for the success He brought in Area Team building and efforts in 2023. Thank Him for His grace and mercy. Thank Him for power to be forgiven and to be restored. Thank Him for the ransom that Jesus paid. Thank Him for allowing us to be a part of sharing His Gospel message to millions.

Nov. 12 - Ask God to bring increase in 2024—an increase in love, compassion, direction, wisdom, resources, and shoebox gifts!