

1 March: Türkiye and Syria

Please pray for Türkiye and Syria following the devastating earthquake that struck central Türkiye and northwest Syria on Monday February 6. Pray that God would comfort those who have lost loved ones in this tragedy. Pray that God would strengthen those who are working among the needy and injured, including Bible Society staff in both countries. Pray that many people would find rest, comfort and hope in God; that they would know him as their rock and salvation.

2 March: Australia

Please pray for our CEO, Grant Thomson's visit to Crossway Baptist Church, Melbourne this weekend. Pray that many people would be encouraged by the work of Bible Society Australia, as Grant shares with the congregation. Pray that partnerships in Bible work would be formed and Bible work advanced as a result.

3 March: Arab-Israel

Thank God for the peace, security and hope the Arab Israeli Bible Society (AIBS) offers in a region plagued by war and division. Please pray that the events AIBS hosts and the Bible resources they produce would be a blessing to those they reach, and that their centre in Galilee would be busy as members of the public visit, ask questions and engage with biblical resources.

**4 March: Testimony**

Thank God for Ola, a mother of four children who participated in an Arab Israeli Bible Society family conference. "The blessing was great ... I received a lot of help and learned new methods and tools to help my kids. I was able to share with my teenage son some of the things I learned. My conversation with him led me to ask forgiveness for the setbacks that I caused as a parent. He on his part was encouraged and put for himself some goals to walk closer with and to the Lord."

5 March: Proverbs 3:5-6, NIV

'Trust in the Lord with all your heart and lean not on your own understanding; in all your ways submit to him, and he will make your paths straight.'

6 March: Australia

Thank God that BSA was able to organise the Cross-Culture Fellowship Ministry Event with African Leaders in Adelaide on Saturday. Thank God for the chance to discuss a number of spiritual and social issues facing many African churches/ministries in Australia. Pray that this fellowship gathering strengthened, helped and encouraged those who attended.

7 March: China

Please pray that more pastors in China could be raised up and be trained to shepherd the millions. Pray that they would grow through diligent study of God's word, as they utilise the Bible resources provided by the UBS China Partnership project. Pray that these leaders will persevere to preach and teach the word responsibly even in challenging circumstances.

8 March: Australia

Please pray that Koorong stores can successfully equip churches to reach out to their communities, and that they would find resources for all the ministries such as Sunday school and home group Bible studies starting back for the new year.

9 March: Jordan

Thank God for Bible Society's work in Jordan among refugees, providing both Bibles and practical care. Pray that every refugee will find Jesus, the source of real strength, amidst the hardships they are undergoing. Please also pray for emotional and physical protection for the volunteers who are in direct contact with suffering families, and for strength as they offer helping hands and listening ears.

10 March: Australia

Praise God that the Bible Society staff and board were able to meet in person for Vision Day in February, to celebrate in fellowship together and look ahead to the 2023 year. Pray for wisdom, grace and discernment for our CEO, Grant Thomson in his management and work. Pray too for the Leadership Team as they work together to share the gospel. Thank God for the Board and pray for them as they oversee the governance of the organisation.

11 March: Testimony

Please pray for those in refugee camps in Jordan facing hardship, such as one camp with 26 families who endured without batteries to store electricity. "There are no fridges at night, we cannot turn them on," shared a mother. "Our children cannot study after the sun sets." Thank God for Bible Society Jordan, who supplied batteries to the refugee camp. "Thank you for all that you have done for us. For these batteries that have solved a big problem for us, the provision of electricity for 24 hours a day."

12 March: Psalm 119:105, NIV

'Your word is a lamp for my feet, a light on my path.'

13 March: Kenya

Thank God that Bible Society can support African Enterprise Kenya this Easter in running the *Jesus. All About Life* campaign. Please pray that many Christians would be encouraged and challenged to deepen their faith and share Jesus with others. Pray that plans would fall into place, logistics would run smoothly, and many would be introduced to Jesus.

14 March: Australia

Thank God for all BSA's supporters, who generously give to see the mission of Bible Society achieved around the world. Pray that supporters would be encouraged by their partnership with BSA, and the way God is working, so that the Bible can be opened to all people everywhere by all means possible.

15 March: Kenya

Thank God for the Bible Society of Kenya's commitment to placing a Bible in the hands of marginalised young people. Thank God for the opportunity to distribute these Bibles as a part of the Christian Religious Education in schools. Pray for positive transformation for students and their families as God's word touches their hearts and minds.

16 March: Australia

Please pray for BSA's Publishing team as they continue to develop a new edition of the Big Rescue Bible for children in Australia and Oceania. Please bless the editors, illustrators and designers working on the project to find ways to illuminate God's word for a new generation.

17 March: Northern Ireland

Thank God for Bible Society's work in Northern Ireland in partnership with World Day of Prayer. Pray as they continue to implement the three-year program, including Bibles for Babies, the Lament small group ministry, and the family Bible engagement resource, '52 journeys through the Big Story of the Bible'. Pray that all people, young and old, would be impacted by the Bible and grow in Bible reading habits.

18 March: Testimony

Pray for Kenyan youth like 24-year-old Mark, who dropped out of school and had anger issues, causing havoc in his village. Then, things changed. He resumed school and Bible Society of Kenya visited. "I received a copy of Revised Standard Version and that marked the turnaround of my life. That Bible was like honey in my mouth. God caused me to seriously read the Bible, and, in the process, I got born again. I am a changed man. ...I am helping the school administration rehabilitate other boys who are into drugs in school. I take it as my duty to speak to them about the dangers using my story."

19 March: Psalm 16:11, NIV

'You make known to me the path of life; you will fill me with joy in your presence, with eternal pleasures at your right hand.'

20 March: Australia

Please pray for Eternity's two new staff members as they settle in and learn about our culture and procedures. Pray for team cohesion, vision and inspiration as we launch a new era for Eternity.

21 March: Papua New Guinea

Thank God that BSA can support the work of MegaVoice, supplying audio Scriptures and health messages for maternal and newborn baby care in the most remote areas of East Sepik Province. Please pray for the teams working in the villages, especially for safe travel. Pray that this project would expand into more villages, and that people would receive Christ.

22 March: Australia

Please pray for the safe arrival of the reprint of the New Beginnings Bible. Praise God that the first 20,000 copies have been distributed to churches for the curious and new Christians both in Australia and Fiji. Pray that God's word impacts their hearts.

23 March: Rwanda

Thank God that BSA can partner with African Enterprise to run the *Jesus. All About Life* campaign in Rwanda this Easter. Pray that the campaign brings healing for Rwandans who have experienced trauma, and that the campaign brings a message of forgiveness, hope, faith, and a new chapter for a better future.

24 March: Australia

Pray for Life & Faith, the Centre for Public Christianity's long-running podcast. Pray that it will reach a large audience of both believers and seekers with conversations that show how Christian faith speaks to all of life and offers truth, hope, and fullness.

25 March: Testimony

Thank God for Jean, a volunteer with Bible Society Northern Ireland. "The word needs to be embedded in a child's mind from an early age as most people will come to faith as children. Overall, I just think [Bibles for Babies] is brilliant! When I'm packing the Bibles and writing the birthday cards, I pray for the babies and the adults who will be receiving them."

26 March: Matthew 4:4, NIV

'Jesus answered, "It is written: 'Man shall not live on bread alone, but on every word that comes from the mouth of God.'"

27 March: South Africa

Thank God that BSA can partner with World Hope Ministries in prisons. Pray that more lives would be changed through this program, as prisoners are given the opportunity to know the forgiveness and mercy of Christ. Thank God that for many, their hope has been restored in God, in man, and in themselves. Pray for those who have begun to seek restoration with their families.



28 March: Ukraine

Please continue to pray for peace in Ukraine. Pray for continued support for the Bible Society Ukraine team and volunteers working tirelessly to help churches and people in evacuation, bringing God's word, encouragement, food, and practical needs to people in distress.

29 March: Australia

Thank God for the hard work and dedication of staff who are implementing a new software system for Koorong stores. Pray that the integration of this new system would be smooth, and that it would enable Koorong staff to serve customers with greater efficiency.

30 March: Vietnam

Thank God for the Christian Library established in Ho Chi Minh City. Please pray that it can be made locally sufficient by 2024. Pray that this year, Bible Society Vietnam can grow the library's capacity for Bible engagement and Bible advocacy.

31 March: Australia

Pray with the Centre for Public Christianity for the Australian media landscape. Pray for journalists, that in a stressful and influential role they will pursue truth, justice, and wisdom. Pray that Christians will resist the political polarisation of our national conversation and instead reach across lines of difference with compassion and grace.