

greater europe mission

FIVE DAYS

with

EUROPE

prayer guide

Reaching Europe by multiplying disciples and growing Christ's Church.

**Join us in daily
prayer for
Europe over
the next five
days.**

DAY ONE

PRAY FOR THE WORLD

When Christ came, everything changed. After the resurrection of Christ, God expanded His reach of those who could relate to him. Now every tribe, tongue, and nation have access to a relationship with God.

Christianity isn't meant to be exclusive, and salvation isn't meant to be a secret. We are actively called throughout scripture to showcase our relationship with God to others. God intends for the entire world to be reconciled to him, and we are the medium for that message.

Start by imagining where God wants you to serve and where he wants you to showcase your relationship with him to others. Start where you are right now. Start with your community, your sphere of influence. Pray and ask God for opportunities to spread the love of Christ across the street, and then around the world.

Spend a few moments in silence, and then pray this prayer aloud for the world:

Lord, thank you for meeting us in our circumstances and loving us as we are.

Please help me to be a witness to the world, starting with where I am today. Holy Spirit, please give me courage to speak boldly and humbly to my community about my faith. Give me words to speak when they are necessary, and ears to listen when they are not.

Lord, may salvation come to the entire world.

Amen.

ACTS 13:47

"For so the Lord has commanded us, saying, 'I have made you a light for the Gentiles, that you may bring salvation to the ends of the earth.'"



DAY TWO

PRAY FOR EUROPE

For more than 2,000 years, Europe has been an influential part of worldwide culture and has played a major role in world history. Europe has expanded its culture across the world for hundreds of years, and European influence continues today. Europe used to be the central hub for Christianity on the world stage as well, but this influence has declined since World War II. Europe is now estimated at only 2.9% of the population having a relationship with Jesus. Almost all other continents have enough dedicated Christ-followers to reach their own people. All, except Europe.

Throughout scripture, God's message has been that the entire earth will come to know of His kingdom. The whole earth will be redeemed, and there will be people of every nation and tongue worshipping the Lord eternally, European nations included. That's why we believe Europe is critical, and ready for the gospel. That's why our vision at GEM is: God expanding his Kingdom through all peoples of Europe to the world.

Europe needs our prayer, but it also needs our action. Europe needs our attention and our care. Europe needs the love of Christ.

Spend a few moments in silence, and then pray this prayer aloud for Europe:

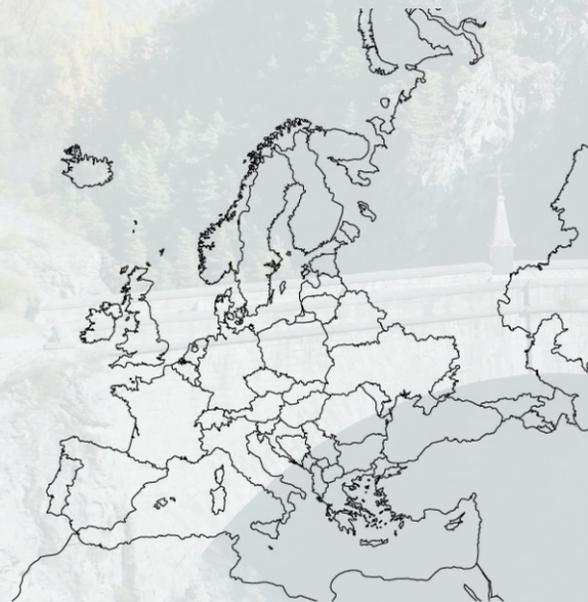
Lord, thank you for redeeming all of creation. Thank you for seeing people of every nation and tongue as worthy of salvation.

Lord, please call upon those who are necessary to bring your kingdom to Europe. Please open the minds and hearts of future missionaries to your call. Give them a passion for Europe and its people.

Lord, let your will be done in the lives of your children. Amen.

PSALM 22:27-28

"All the ends of the earth shall remember and turn to the Lord, and all the families of the nations shall worship before you. For kingship belongs to the Lord, and he rules over the nations."



DAY THREE

PRAY FOR OPPORTUNITY

There are over 8 billion people in the world, and God knows each one of us intimately. He knows exactly what we look like, how we think, and what we experience. He knows everything about us, and he has a purpose for each of us.

God's desire is that we all draw near to him, be loved in community, and work as a body to draw others to himself. Everyone's individual tasks in these three areas will be different, but we are all invited to participate in this new Kingdom.

Discerning your purpose can be as simple as asking God what it is. Some people are called to love and serve in the community where they are. Others are called to minister to those in far off places. God speaks to us in various ways, we need only to listen intentionally and trust that He has our best interest at heart.

Spend a few moments in silence, and then pray this prayer aloud:

Lord, thank you for knowing me intimately and loving me. Thank you for giving me purpose.

Please help me to discern what my purpose is. Make your message clear and distinct. Help me to hear the plan you have for me, and help me to trust that you will be with me as I follow it. Holy Spirit, help me to recognize the sound of your voice.

Lord, let your purpose for my life be fulfilled.

Amen.

JEREMIAH 1:5

"Before I formed you in the womb I knew you, and before you were born I consecrated you; I appointed you a prophet to the nations."



DAY FOUR

PRAY FOR EUROPE

Europe is home to some of the most beautiful churches in the world, but many of them remain empty. If Europeans have access to churches, what keeps them from attending? If Europe once knew the joys of salvation, what prevents them from returning to that joy now? Two world wars, among other historic events tore the soul of Christianity away from Europeans. Now, it comes down to relational evangelism. Europeans need to meet and develop relationships with disciples of Christ that know him intimately.

If there are few or none in their community who are dedicated followers of Jesus, then Europeans need disciples from the worldwide church to come and be in relationship with them. They need missionaries to come and share their relationship with Jesus.

The entire world needs the love of Christ, and Europe is no exception. Their societies are mature, some of the most ancient in the world, but their journey to salvation needs a fresh start.

Spend a few moments in silence, and then pray this prayer aloud:

Lord, thank you for Europe. Thank you for their positive contributions to the world. Thank you for the people of Europe and for each of their unique stories.

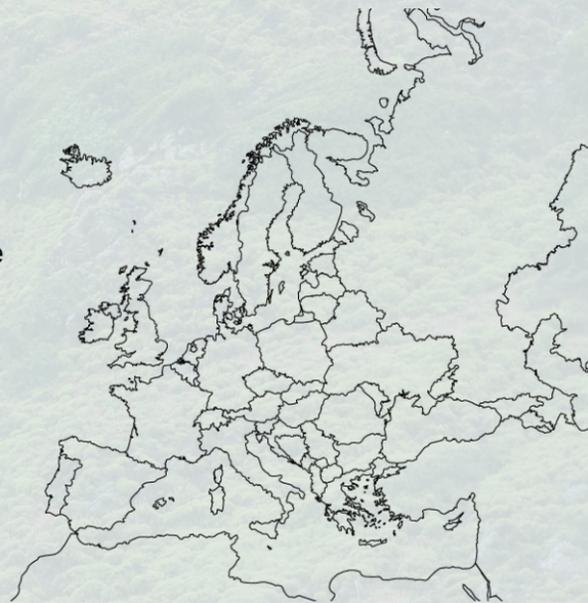
Lord, soften the hearts and open the minds of our brothers and sisters. Make a way for them to come to know you through Christ. Holy Spirit, set down a presence of peace in Europe, so that every person in Europe may feel that presence and know your peace.

Lord, let your kingdom come to Europe.

Amen.

MARK 5:19-20

“And He did not permit him but said to him, ‘Go home to your friends and tell them how much the Lord has done for you, and how he has had mercy on you.’ And he went away and began to proclaim in the Decapolis how much Jesus had done for him, and everyone marveled.”



DAY FIVE

PRAY FOR OPPORTUNITY

The call of a ministry worker is unique. Not many other professionals are asked to leave the comfort and familiarity they know and walk by faith into unfamiliar territory. It's not a calling given to everyone.

Those who feel a calling to missions are the best ones for the job. Not because they're more spiritual or dedicated than other Christ-followers, but because it was what they were made for. It takes a unique person to want to move to a different country or continent to share the gospel with nonbelievers.

If you are someone who has thought this would be something you would enjoy doing, you might be called to ministry work. If you find yourself repeatedly thinking about wanting to share the gospel with other people, consider if ministry is what the Lord is calling you to. If you feel an excitement and longing for people to know Christ, consider if God is calling you.

Spend a few moments in silence, and then pray this prayer aloud:

Lord, thank you for vocational ministry work. Thank you for the workers who are willing to serve however you call them.

Lord, if ministry work is my calling, please make that evident. If there is somewhere else that you want to send me, please make it known. Please open my heart and mind to the gospel opportunities you have for me. Give me more opportunities to be on mission where I am.

Lord, let me do what you are calling me to do. Amen.

ISAIAH 65:1

“I was ready to be sought by those who did not ask for me; I was ready to be found by those who did not seek me. I said, ‘Here I am, here I am,’ to a nation that was not called by my name.”



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