

# Biblical Mandates for Missionary Requests



Missionary Paul said, “Brethren, pray for us” (1 Thess. 5:25).

He added, “You also joining in helping us through your prayers” (2 Cor. 1:11).

Later he said, “I urge you...to strive together with me in your prayers to God for me” (Rom. 15:30).

- 1 PEACE IN THE COUNTRIES WE SERVE**  
Jer. 29:7—“Seek the welfare of the city where I have sent you...and pray to the LORD on its behalf.”
- 2 SUSTENANCE FOR MISSIONARIES, MINISTRIES, BMM AND DONORS**  
Matt. 6:9,11—“Pray, then, in this way ...Give us this day our daily bread.”
- 3 DELIVERANCE FROM EVIL: MORAL FAILURE AND SATAN’S SCHEMES**  
Matt. 6:9,13—“Pray, then, in this way ...deliver us from evil.”
- 4 MORE LABORERS: MISSIONARIES AND NATIONALS**  
Matt. 9:38—“Therefore beseech the Lord of the harvest to send out workers into His harvest.”
- 5 UNITY AMONG MISSIONARIES AND WITH NATIONAL LEADERS**  
John 17:21—“That they may all be one ... so that the world may believe that You sent Me.”
- 6 SAFETY IN TRAVEL: SOME COUNTRIES ESPECIALLY**  
Rom. 1:10—“Always in my prayers making request ... I may succeed in coming to you.”
- 7 SALVATION OF THE LOST: GENUINE CONVERSIONS**  
Rom. 10:1—“Brethren, my heart’s desire and my prayer to God for them is for their salvation.”
- 8 DELIVERANCE FROM PERSECUTORS: VARIOUS LEVELS BY COUNTRY**  
Rom. 15:30-31—“Strive ... in your prayers ... that I may be rescued from those who are disobedient.”
- 9 BOLDNESS AND SKILL TO WITNESS**  
Eph. 6:19—“And pray on my behalf, that utterance may be given to me ... to make known with boldness.”
- 10 OPEN DOORS FOR THE GOSPEL**  
Col. 4:3—“Praying at the same time for us as well, that God will open up to us a door for the word.”
- 11 AUTHORITIES: SALVATION, JUST RULE FOR FREEDOM OF THE GOSPEL**  
1 Tim. 2:1-2—“First of all, then, I urge that entreaties ... be made ... for kings and all who are in authority.”
- 12 SPIRITUAL LIFE TO OVERCOME DISCOURAGEMENT, ENVY, ETC.**  
Heb. 13:18—“Pray for us ... desiring to conduct ourselves honorably in all things.”
- 13 HEALTH: CAPACITY TO MINISTER THE GOSPEL**  
James 5:16—“Therefore, confess your sins to one another, and pray for one another so that you may be healed.”

## Missionary Requests from Biblical Principles

- 14 ADAPTATION TO LANGUAGE AND CULTURE** (1 Cor. 9:19-23)
- 15 FAMILY: SPOUSES, CHILDREN** (1 Tim. 3:1-7)
- 16 MINISTRIES: CHURCH; BIBLE COLLEGE, BIBLE TRANSLATION, CAMP, LITERATURE, RADIO, UNIVERSITY STUDENTS** (Matt. 16:18)