



Prayers for ALWS Country Programs

Kenya

- We pray for the thousands of people who continue to flee the war-ravaged, famine and drought areas of Somalia and Ethiopia into Kenya. May you lead them to safe, friendly and peaceful places of rest.
- We pray for the children in these countries who suffer the loss of one or both of their parents from conflict. May you provide education and other avenues to rebuild their lives. May you protect them from violent groups who take advantage of children to use them as soldiers.
- We pray for mothers and all the women who face danger everyday in these countries as they fetch firewood and fend for their children.
- We pray for our aid and development staff who continue to work in Kenya facing danger and difficulties.
- We pray for the refugees whom we continue to support in Kenya, especially in Kakuma and Dadaab Camps. May you give them strength to overcome any past traumas experienced in their countries.
- May you help the host communities around the camps to accommodate the refugees and to live peacefully with one another.
- We pray for food security for the refugees and host communities. Let the world continue to support these people for as long as they need.
- We pray for the life-giving rains to come to the Horn of Africa region— for people to have water to drink, for crops to grow and animal herds to be rebuilt.

South Sudan

- We pray for the newest country in the world—for peace to settle in all hearts, and acceptance of the new country to be evident.
- We pray that the people of Sudan and South Sudan live and cohabit peacefully with each other, respecting one another as God's creation, especially in border towns.
- We pray that the church in South Sudan may persevere and stand the test of times ahead for God's Glory.
- We pray that the youth in South Sudan gain confidence to lead the country into the future peacefully, and that they are not targeted, used or misled by senior political leaders with selfish ambition.
- We pray that the rains may come so that crops can grow and give greater food security for the millions of people who survive on so little.

Nepal

- We pray that there be an end to all forms of discrimination on the basis of caste, class or gender and the people of Nepal be empowered to live a life free of discrimination, entitled with human rights.

- May the freed Haliyas and Kamaiyas (agricultural bonded labourers) get proper shelter through the rehabilitation programs ensured by the government, possible through the initiative of the Lutheran teams in Nepal.
- We pray for an end to acute poverty in Nepal and may people be able to receive at least two square meals of nutritious food as well as increase food security in their community.
- May the people of Nepal be protected from all kinds of natural and man-made disasters. May communities be resilient and prepared enough to protect themselves and their families from the damage done by the disasters.
- We pray for the Lutheran Teams in Nepal to be able to uplift the lives of the poor and oppressed communities of Nepal and empower them through vocational trainings and livelihood support so that they are able to attain sustainable means of livelihood and have a regular source of income to support their families.
- May the refugees living in the camps of Eastern Nepal be resettled and repatriated as per their desire so they can live a dignified life.

Burundi

- We pray for the tiny country of Burundi, that it would be freed from the violence and ethnic mistrust of the past. We pray for peace to enter all hearts, and an acceptance of all people as children of God.
- Help the people out of the poverty in which they live, that they might live with dignity, hope and joy.
- Allow the children of Burundi to have access to education so that they have options for the future.
- We pray for everyone to have access to good and healthy food, and that the children suffering so badly with kwashiorkor may get enough nutrients to heal.
- We pray for the people living with albinism and those who support them. Help people to accept and love them as they are, and provide opportunities for them to live their lives without fear and persecution.
- We pray for the bold and inspirational witness of Christians to continue, and that churches would play a lead role in helping the country to heal and rebuild.





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Mozambique

- We pray for the people of Mozambique, as they work towards a better future, and thank God for the wonderful work that has occurred in the country.
- We pray for educational opportunities, especially in rural areas, for both children, youth and adults.
- We pray for our brothers and sisters infected and affected by HIV/AIDS and especially for the orphans and widows due to HIV/AIDS. Continue to improve the acceptance of people living with HIV or AIDS, and continue to empower women to reduce the spread of the disease.
- We pray for our staff and volunteers who, in very difficult conditions and a lot of sacrifices, commit themselves to those who are most vulnerable and poor.
- We pray for our brothers and sisters who are living in or who have left refugee camps, especially the women and the children who are lacking health facilities, hygiene material and enough food and resources to construct minimal human living conditions.
- We pray for the rural villages who are graduating from programs—that the empowerment they have gained may lead to better lives for all people.
- We pray that God may increase the faith and the commitment of Church congregations in Mozambique, and the renewal of hearts would take place.

Cambodia

- We pray for the many Cambodians devastated by floods in the last months. Pray for the rebuilding of their homes, crops and lives.
- We pray for the country as it continues to rebuild—over 35 years after the Khmer Rouge.
- We pray for the commitment to long-term development programs in the country—for the people to learn how to improve their own lives.
- We pray for food security, especially in the remote rural villages where access to markets are poor. Pray that farmers will be able to harvest enough to put food aside for times of difficulty.
- We pray that farmers will continue to learn about crop rotation and the need for eating a variety of foods so their children grow strong and healthy.
- We pray for the Cambodian government to look after all its people, and not just those in major cities.
- We pray for the many hundreds of non-government organisations set up in Cambodia to work more effectively together for the benefit of the people.
- We pray for the Christians of Cambodia, that they may be empowered to share the Gospel in a way that is culturally appropriate.

Indonesia

- We pray that God would bless the people of Indonesia—regardless of their religion or culture or situation. We ask God to be with them and give them hope for a better and more peaceful future.
- We thank God for the opportunity for Christian aid agencies to work in Indonesia.
- We pray for the Indonesians who suffer as a result of the regular natural disasters that occur in this country of many islands. Pray for rebuilding of homes, livelihoods and lives from tsunami, flood, earthquake and volcano.
- We pray for the work of ALWS in teaching better farming techniques, and for the work in teaching communities how to better prepare for natural disasters.
- We pray for the Indonesian people so deeply affected by terrorism within the country. Lord, let all people see that violence is not the answer they are looking for. Let your peace fall on the hearts of all people.
- We pray for the millions of Christians (including their 6 million Lutherans) who live in Indonesia, that they may have courage and strength, sometimes living with persecution. Pray for a Christian renewal of joy in Christ.
- We pray for relationships between Christians and Muslims, especially more radical Muslims, to improve.
- We thank God that the LCA through ALWS, the Board for Mission and Lutheran Education Australia can be part of the building up of Indonesian people and Churches.



Papua New Guinea

- We pray for the government of PNG to settle from a time of great instability. Pray that corruption and nepotism in government and throughout society would cease so that the country can be recognised as free and democratic.
- We pray for women in PNG, who are so very often oppressed and who suffer violence. We pray that through the churches, aid agencies can teach change in attitude and behaviour towards woman and girls.
- We pray for those suffering with HIV and AIDS, and for those who care for them. Help the community recognise how HIV is spread and learn to change behaviours.
- We pray for the work of ALWS in teaching communities skills, literacy and accountability. Help this work bear fruit and change lives.
- We pray for the millions of Christians (including their 2 million Lutherans) who live in PNG, that they may have courage and strength to live out their lives in a Christian manner. Pray for a Christian renewal of joy in Christ.

