



# JAARS

Prayerline February – March 2019

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# Prayerline

Pray without ceasing. 1 Thessalonians 5:17

## February

**1** Petition God to provide a full complement of short-term volunteers for JAARS [Refuge 139](#) events in Cameroon and Papua New Guinea (PNG) in March.

**2** The JAARS Purchasing and Shipping Department uses Microsoft ACCESS to track all shipping details. Pray for the software technician they need to maintain the shipping system.

**3** Praise! Good connections with Doe River Gorge have made it possible to hold a [Race for Possible](#) event in eastern Tennessee March 29–31. Pray for 20 or more participants to participate in the race and come away with a deep commitment to Bible translation.

**4** The remaining five books of the Inakeanon (Philippines) New Testament translation are near completion. Pray for unity, wisdom, safety in travel, and good health for the translation team.

**5** The Communications Team is thankful for a productive three days of interaction and team building in January. Pray for continued unity and creativity as the team conveys the vision of JAARS.

**6** Give praise to our Lord. The [Toussian](#) New Testament will be launched later this year in Burkina Faso; pray for funding needed for the Old Testament translation.

**7** A JAARS Aviation training-instructor pilot will be in Cameroon to conduct recurrent training in the Soloy Cessna 207 with staff pilots assigned to the Cameroon aviation program. Pray for safety and effective communication.

**8** Wisdom is needed for how best to make Scripture materials available online without compromising the security of the Ikarias\* project. Pray for God to guide and protect all those involved.

**9** It is rare to find a men's fellowship where every man has the same passion: reaching the unreached. Pray the JAARS Monday men's prayer lunch, led by Chaplain John Williams, will be a rich source of encouragement to the men of JAARS.

**10** The [Kinga](#) New Testament was launched in Tanzania last year. Pray God's Word will lead many to faith in Christ.

**11** Pray for opportunities for 73 JAARS advocates in 23 states as they inform and engage people in the global ministries of JAARS.

**12** [JAARS Learning & Development](#) will offer leadership training in March. Pray for those preparing this training and that participants will grow in their leadership skills.

**13** Ask the Lord to guide the JAARS Tuesday Center Meeting team as they plan gatherings which will glorify God and inspire, challenge, and encourage attendees.

**14** With only a handful of believers among the two million people of South West Tengir, pray the Holy Spirit will lead more people to Christ through Scripture available online and via apps.

**15** A JAARS media project provided equipment and software used to train five local recordists from PNG's eastern islands region. Praise: They are now able to create Bible apps for mobile phones, dub the *JESUS* film in local languages, and record and duplicate Scripture videos.

**16** Spiritual opposition continually threatens Bible translation programs in parts of Asia. Pray for protection over the lives and work of all involved.

**17** Join us at JAARS in praying for God's provision of staff IT specialists in Cote d'Ivoire and Chad.

**18** The Winter [Intercultural Communications Course](#) (ICC) at JAARS ends February 22. Pray participants finish well and that the Lord will continue to work in their hearts regarding things they have learned.

**19** Pray for effective engagement as JAARS provides technology support for Bible translation and language development partners in 22 countries with outreach to over 52 language groups.

**20** Pray the leadership skills workshop in Germany for members of the Roma Scripture Group will accelerate the process of bringing God's Word to the Roma people.

**21** Pray for God's blessing and encouragement during the annual advocacy conference at JAARS February 22–23.

**22** Pray for guidance, wisdom, and safety for the Nie family as they operate their boat in the South Pacific supporting Bible translation.

**23** Pray for God's protection, provision, and courage for translation teams working in sensitive areas and places of conflict.

**24** One Central Asia translation project needs an *exegete*, one who studies and interprets the original Hebrew and Greek texts of Scripture. Ask the Lord to provide.

**25** The Communications Team at JAARS is researching a new way to share photos. They need to limit access, provide background information, and utilize an effective search engine. Ask God to give wisdom to those evaluating resources.

**26** A JAARS Shipping 40-foot sea-cargo container is due to arrive in PNG soon. Pray for Aseah and Michael as they prepare the documents to clear PNG customs at the port of Lae.

**27** Praise God. [International Media Services](#) at JAARS has a new, downloadable resource available on its website. Their Bible Backgrounds resource now has a "History of the Early Church" section which includes six video templates for translation.

28 Six language communities in South Asia are beginning Bible translations. Ask God to strengthen and encourage these communities to persevere in the translation process.

## March

1 JAARS works with 46 regional translation centers that operate throughout Africa, providing them with network installations, funds for internet fees, and reliable power systems. Pray for the most effective use of resources.

2 SIL leadership in Eurasia desires to help refugees through multilingual education and language development. Pray for wisdom, direction, and opportunities to get involved.

3 Ask the Lord to provide new JAARS advocates in Wyoming, Utah, Nevada, Arizona, and New Mexico and to open doors for sharing how people can engage in the ministry of Bible translation.

4 Pray for JAARS ICC participants as they transition to Partnership Development and make plans to begin ministry assignments.

5 Vernacular Media teams at JAARS dubbed videos into 19 different languages from 11 different countries in 2018. Pray the Holy Spirit will use the truth of Scripture to transform hearts and lives in these people groups.

6 The Flame\* New Testament in Togo is almost finished. Pray God will prepare the hearts of the Flame to receive his Word and bear much fruit.

7 JAARS Aviation will conduct a concentrated seven-day course on maintenance of the PT-6 turbine engine March 11–19. Pray for stamina for instructors and students during this accelerated course.

8 A language and translation course is underway in Cameroon. Pray trainers will communicate well, students will be attentive learners, and translation staffs will be strengthened.

9 **JAARS Day**. Pray for good attendance and effective communication of the worldwide ministries of JAARS.

10 Workers in a country of South Asia need wisdom adjusting their local profile because of increased government scrutiny. Pray for safety and security as they continue ministry activities.

11 Pray upcoming JAARS **Refuge 139** ministries will be a great encouragement to MKs: March 15–31 in PNG and March 18–31 in Africa.

12 Thank God for opening doors in several language groups in the Mediterranean region that for decades have been closed. Pray for wisdom in developing new strategies to embrace these new opportunities.

13 Pray God will touch many hearts during JAARS **CrossVenture Explore** March 14–17. Pray for warm and dry weather.

14 The JAARS Shipping staff is preparing the next sea-cargo container for PNG. Pray for safety as they work with heavy items and wisdom as they prepare the export documents.

15 The **Check-IT-Out Spring Conference** is March 15–16 at JAARS. Pray God will confirm a calling to missions for many during this time.

16 The SIL **Roma** team is seeking creative Roma people to help in Scripture engagement. Pray for inventive ways to help Roma people interact with Scripture in their language.

17 JAARS Printshop manager, Steve Kaetterhenry, is researching a new contract for a machine for our copy center. Pray he will find the best solution to meet the needs of the Communications Team.

18 Executive Director of the **Wycliffe Global Alliance**, Dr. Kirk Franklin, is stepping down September 2020. Pray for the person of God's choosing to fill this role.

19 Every translation regional center needs well-trained IT staff to keep internet and network systems running smoothly. Pray as JAARS coordinates with SIL International to plan and implement two yearly training workshops.

20 The **Moba** language team in Africa is translating the Old Testament. Pray God's Spirit will protect team members and guide translators every step of the translation process.

21 Praise for a JAARS Maritime Water Safety Training video that will be available for use soon. Pray for effective utilization of this new resource.

22 A new Scripture engagement tool is being developed to provide online resources for translation teams and churches. Pray the project can be finished in time to debut at a conference in April 2019.

23 JAARS-based Africa Information Communication Technology services requests prayer for a fruitful **training course** March 23–30 for IT specialists near Nairobi, Kenya.

24 A project to dub a video of John's Gospel into a language spoken by 260,000 people in Southeast Asia is underway. Pray for wisdom as Julie and Jon Limmer oversee this project.

25 Pray for impact on people's lives as Jo Shetler teaches her segment of the **Perspectives Course** (*Building Bridges of Love*) at two Charlotte, North Carolina, locations March 25 and 26.

26 Multiple typhoons have hit the Philippines in the past year. Pray God's comfort and encouragement for those with houses destroyed and for those grieving the loss of relatives.

27 At JAARS Aviation, training must replicate the aircraft and cockpit equipment pilots will fly overseas. Since both aircraft and equipment continue to evolve, JAARS must make significant fleet upgrades now. Pray for God's provision.

28 As students study Bible storying, pray they will soon share stories that will lead thousands around the world to become followers of Jesus.

29 Pray for the ultimate goal of all JAARS training solutions: that one day millions of people will hear God's Word in the language they understand best and experience the life-transforming power of the gospel.

30 Multilingualism is impacting Bible translation programs in language communities worldwide. Ask God to grant insight and grace to see if goals, programs, and services should be adjusted.

31 Pray for JAARS CORE Mission Operations. The commitment is to be there when needed—with solutions for translation partners that are locally appropriate and sustainable—until the task is complete.

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