



JAARS

Prayerline April – May 2020

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Pray without ceasing. 1 Thessalonians 5:17

April

- 1** Pray for guidance and discernment for those in leadership at the JAARS Center as they contend daily with the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic.
- 2** Aviation Training needs an additional experienced instructor pilot for their staff. Ask God to provide just the right person.
- 3** Pray for the technical staff who design and install much needed power and Internet systems in Africa.
- 4** Pray for the smooth testing and implementation of a new financial planning and management system for use by all JAARS departments.
- 5** The orientees attending [Pre-Field Orientation](#) are from JAARS, AIM AIR, ASAS and SAMAIR. Ask the Lord to grant good health and stamina during their training.
- 6** Give thanks for the volunteers who spent part or all of the winter months helping at JAARS.
- 7** Pray for safety for teams who travel to remote areas. Pray, too, for encouragement for the Bible translators and other workers in each language group.
- 8** Pray for our Lord's ever-present help for JAARS staff at the Center and for our regional representatives as they face the disruptions and impact COVID-19 brings to their work.
- 9** Pray that in 2020 the Lord will draw many groups to participate in [CrossVenture](#) programs and lead many church mission teams to serve as volunteers at JAARS.
- 10** The overhaul of the Cessna 206 for Cameroon is progressing well. Pray for its safe delivery to Cameroon when work is completed.
- 11** Staff changes at the JAARS health clinic bring adjustments. Pray for unity and for the remaining open positions to be filled.
- 12** Join us in Easter prayers of thanksgiving as we rejoice in remembering our Lord's resurrection. He is risen indeed!
- 13** Yellow fever vaccination is required to travel to several countries, but JAARS Health Services has not been able to obtain the vaccine. Pray it will be available soon so the clinic can provide this service.
- 14** Ask that all who serve at JAARS and our partner organizations will seek God above all.
- 15** Pray for the health and safety of translators and language workers impacted by COVID-19 worldwide as they strive to continue their Bible translation efforts during unexpected circumstances and delays.
- 16** Pray God will use the Bible story videos completed by Vernacular Media Services at JAARS to change lives for his glory.
- 17** Pray for CrossVenture leaders as they continue preparations for summer programs, creating ways to fine-tune and expand the program. Ask God to provide staff needed for the programs.
- 18** Pray for the JAARS team who planned the Touchdown at JAARS event, a helicopter fly-in scheduled for today. With our COVID-19 safety precautions in place, the event was postponed. Ask God to prepare the hearts of those who will come when the event is rescheduled and for the planning team as they make preparations.
- 19** Thank the Lord for Rex Saoit who has joined the Human Resources team as Recruitment/Staffing Manager.
- 20** Ask for blessing and open hearts for the mission team members who will be coming to serve for week-long periods throughout the coming months.
- 21** Pray that staff new to JAARS will learn and engage well as they attend the Compass orientation program.
- 22** Give thanks for leadership and expertise in responding to the tech needs of the shipping department. Pray the installation of the new system will go smoothly and that it will be user friendly.
- 23** Pray for the Spiritual Vitality team as they prepare for a presentation tomorrow. Ask that attendees will be open to the voice of the Spirit.
- 24** Ask for discernment and perseverance for members of the Technology and Business Solutions team as they implement cost-effective solutions for JAARS.
- 25** Pray for safe travel for those who need and use the water safety [kits](#) provided and distributed by the JAARS Maritime staff.
- 26** Pray for the team that plans the JAARS Center Tuesday Meetings to be sensitive to God's leading for each weekly presentation so that God will be glorified.
- 27** Several young people, recent grads from two- and four-year educational programs, are participating in the first 11-month JAARS Fellows program. Pray that their experiences at JAARS will help them determine if God is calling them to full-time mission service.
- 28** "Do not be anxious about anything, but ... by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, make your requests know to God" (Phil. 4:6).

29 Pray that God will mightily use our instructors to provide effective, useful training for those preparing for missions work.

30 Pray for safety and spiritual transformation of groups attending CrossVenture programs this summer.

May

1 Praise God that [Refuge 139](#) needs have been met for their 2020 trips. May the teams have safe travel and bless those they go to serve.

2 [JAARS Day](#) is today! Ask for good weather and turnout of the public with open hearts and minds to hear about the work the Lord is doing through JAARS.

3 Bryan Friesen and other JAARS staff are attending ICON, SIL's International Conference. Pray for safe travel and for wisdom as they make decisions for the future.

4 Pray for the staff conducting maintenance and refurbishment work for various vehicles in several countries and at the JAARS Center.

5 Ask God to meet the critical staffing needs at JAARS, including many young people to continue the work at JAARS and around the world.

6 Ask God for creative ideas and stamina for [Museum of the Alphabet](#) staff as they give tours and host events. Pray also for the museum manager as she plans new exhibits.

7 Ask God for more volunteers who can help with the audio/visual needs at JAARS.

8 Give thanks for those who have heeded God's call to serve with JAARS.

9 Give thanks and praise for the JAARS Service Desk team as they resolve over 300 help requests per month in addition to other tasks.

10 Ask God's guidance for the team working on the [Brigade Air Camp](#) to be held at JAARS in August. Pray for provision of needed staff and for the participants to be open to God's leading.

11 Pray for the staff of each department at JAARS as they meet and plan for future projects.

12 Ask for support and guidance for those conducting a Learning that Lasts workshop through May 20.

13 Pray for the team conducting end-user testing for the new financial management system. May the system be ready and team members prepared for startup this summer.

14 Pray for the staff who prepare daily [Speeding the Word](#) podcasts: for creative and engaging ways to tell how JAARS and its partners are making Bible translation possible worldwide.

15 May God show himself strongly to JAARS staff and make them more like Jesus.

16 Pray that all oral people groups will soon have the blessing of God's Word in a form that enables them to listen to it and see it.

17 Ask God's guidance for the JAARS Board of Directors as they meet today.

18 Pray for creative insight as JAARS staff plans logistical solutions for translators to lighten their load and remove barriers that hinder and delay ministry progress.

19 Pray for God's provision for projects that support transportation, training, IT training and resources, and media resources in Africa, South Asia, and the Pacific Islands.

20 Pray work on the Lama dictionary will be completed by the time the Lama Bible is published. This represents 57 years of work in a previously unwritten language.

21 Ask God's support and guidance for JAARS leaders as they discern how he would have them proceed in his service.

22 Pray for the Missions at the Airport team as they represent JAARS at the Memorial Day Conference at America's Keswick in New Jersey May 22-25.

23 A couple of doctors have inquired about serving in the Health Services clinic. Pray for clear direction and willingness to follow God's call.

24 Pray that God will send additional technology coaches to assist with help desk services and training.

25 Praise for the recently completed Tigraayit Lumo video of Mark. Tigraayit is a language of more than one million speakers in Sudan and Eritrea. Pray that this video will bring change to the lives of its viewers.

26 Give thanks for all those who faithfully partner with JAARS through financial gifts and prayer.

27 Pray for JAARS [Advocates](#) as they represent JAARS in their home towns and cities across the United States. Ask for more to join the team.

28 Pray for the team, including the Museum of the Alphabet staff, who are presenting JAARS educational field trips at the North Carolina Homeschool Convention.

29 Pray for Kris Russell and his team as they plan the October [Race for the Possible](#) event. Pray for good attendance.

30 Pray for those who are ready to serve as soon as they complete developing their financial and prayer support. Ask that they may see an outpouring of generosity to meet their needs.

31 Let us remember: "There are different ways of serving, but it is the same Lord being served" (1 Cor. 12:5).