

WHEN GOD COMES

21

REVIVAL ACTS



24-7 PRAYER FOR REVIVAL
17 - 23 July 2023

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10 - 30 July 2023

Harbour cities
Praying for harbour cities in North Africa

What would it look like when Jesus comes to visit your community? During these three weeks, 10 – 30 July 2023, we are following the dramatic events that followed the outpouring of the Holy Spirit as described in the book of Acts, chapters 1-8. This passage not only serves as a reflection on what revival looks like but also challenges us on where we stand as individual believers, the local church or the community. Do we need revival or are we living in revival?

"But you shall receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you shall be witnesses to Me in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the end of the earth." (Acts 1:8). The very basic question this passage asks is: Is there an active/effective witness to Jesus in our lives and community?

Thus, our pursuit in prayer for God is to come and transform us as His Church into active/effective witnesses to Christ in our community and society.

MONDAY: 17 JULY 2023

WHEN GOD COMES, PEOPLE'S HEARTS OVERFLOW WITH THANKSGIVING

And they continued steadfastly in the apostles' doctrine (teaching the Scriptures) and fellowship (sharing and spending time together), in the breaking of bread (communion), and in prayers. (Acts 2:42).

*... in everything by prayer and supplication, **with thanksgiving**, let your requests be made known to God... (Philippians 4:6).*

Pray for:

Believers to grow in the knowledge of Christ and fellowship with the Holy Spirit. Every believer to direct their prayers to God with deep gladness of heart for every physical and spiritual blessing.

Thanksgiving to go forth from the lips of God's people for:

Physical blessings:

Blessings of children, food, and the land (Deuteronomy 28:4); appropriate rain and favourable blessing upon work, including freedom from debt (Deuteronomy 28:12); protection (Psalm 91); healing from diseases (Psalm 103:3).

Spiritual blessings:

Eternal life (John 3: 16); salvation (1 Thessalonians 5:9); deliverance from darkness (Colossians 1:13); peace with God (Romans 5:1); liberty in Christ (Galatians 5:1); justification (Romans 5:18).

ALGERIA – PORT OF ALGER

And God is able to make all grace abound toward you, that you, always having all sufficiency in all things, may have an abundance for every good work. (2 Corinthians 9:8).

The external current account is projected to achieve a surplus of 3.0% of gross domestic product (GDP) in 2023 and 2.4% in 2024, both below the 2022 surplus. The economy's strong dependence on the oil sector poses a risk for the medium-term economic outlook. The port of Alger is one of the largest deep-water seaports in Algeria. The water channel of the Port of Alger is 22.9m deep and the cargo pier is 7.6m long. The Main Storage Terminal has an expanse of 282 thousand square metres and can store 120,000 MT of goods. Praise the Lord for sustaining economic growth in Algeria. Christians in Algeria are in a minority making up 0.3% of the population and harassment and discrimination are some of the problems that Christians face in Algeria. Employment or keeping a professional position can be challenging for a Christian in Algeria. Pray for every Algerian to meet Jesus as their personal Saviour and that they will have a personal understanding of God as their Father and Provider.

TUESDAY: 18 JULY 2023

WHEN GOD COMES, THE SPIRIT OF THE FEAR OF THE LORD PREVAILS

Then fear came upon every soul, and many wonders and signs were done through the apostles. (Acts 2:43).

Pray for:

Renewed awe (reverential fear), holy respect for the name of God and the fear of the Lord to come upon people in your community.

Pray for miraculous answers to prayer and signs and wonders to follow wherever the Word of God is preached in your nation.

EGYPT – PORT OF SUEZ

Trust in Him at all times, you people; pour out your heart before Him; God is a refuge for us. (Psalm 62:8).

Egypt's economy will grow 4.0% this fiscal year and 4.5% next year even as it endures a continuing depreciation in its currency. The Port of Suez lies on the northern coast of the Suez Gulf, bordering the southern tip of the Suez Canal. It is one of the biggest ports in Egypt and consists of three harbours, namely the Abadiya, Ain Sokhna Port and Tawfiq Port which are part of the Suez metropolitan area. Approximately 2,500,000 TEU and more than 2,000 ships frequently visit this port annually. As persecution increases, so does the number of Muslims turning to Christ! Scripture is more accessible than ever, and the Church is growing in unity across theological differences. Give thanks to the Lord for the economic growth in Egypt. Pray for Jesus to reveal Himself to an unprecedented number of Muslims disillusioned by the Islamic state. Ask that Muslims will put their trust in God and surrender their lives to Christ as they hear testimonies of others who serve Jesus whole-heartedly.

WEDNESDAY: 19 JULY 2023

WHEN GOD COMES, BELIEVERS GIVE AND SHARE WITH OTHERS

Now all who believed were together, and had all things in common, and sold their possessions and goods, and divided them among all (sharing), as anyone had need (gave to the poor). (Acts 2:44-45).

Pray for:

A willingness among believers to give and share your goods and possessions, so there would be no one lacking anything in the fellowship.

The congregations in your neighbourhood to have new and creative ways of working together in unity and looking after the poor in the community.

LIBYA – PORT OF TRIPOLI

But as many as received Him, to them He gave the right to become children of God, to those who believe in His name: who were born, not of blood, nor of the will of the flesh, nor of the will of man, but of God. (John 1:12-13).

Real GDP is projected to grow 17.9% in 2023, reflecting a base effect, and 8.0% in 2024, buoyed by hydrocarbon sector recovery and high oil prices. Lying on the northwestern Mediterranean coast of Libya, Tripoli is the premier port of the country, and it handles general cargo, bulk and passengers. The port comprises two covered yards spanning 3,500 m² and 9,000 m² for storing general cargo and 3-grain silos. Give thanks to the Lord for the economic growth in Libya. With no central government to maintain law and order, militant Islamic extremist groups and organised crime groups both wield power. They target and kidnap Christians who become victims of human trafficking. Never stop praying for the salvation of human traffickers. Pray for Muslim extremist group members to have a personal encounter with the Lord Jesus Himself, for their eyes to be opened to the truth of the gospel and their lives to be turned around in following Christ.

THURSDAY: 20 JULY 2023

WHEN GOD COMES, FAVOR WITH GOD AND MAN IS RESTORED

So continuing daily with one accord in the temple, and breaking bread from house to house, they ate their food with gladness and simplicity of heart, praising God and having favor with all the people. And the Lord added to the church daily those who were being saved. (Acts 2:46-47).

Pray for:

Our mealtimes and tea breaks will be transformed into times of fellowship, witnessing and prayer.

A renewed gladness and simplicity of heart in giving praise to God for the 'small' blessings in daily life.

TUNISIA – PORT OF SFAX

The Lord is not slack concerning His promise, as some count slackness, but is longsuffering toward us, not willing that any should perish but that all should come to repentance. (2 Peter 3:9).

Tunisia's GDP growth for 2023 is expected to be around 2.3 percent. Port of Sfax is one of the largest ports in Tunisia and has been helping in the country's economic growth for a long time. This port primarily manages bulk cargoes, including phosphate, by-products, cereals, and sea salt. The oil berths are around 200 meters long. Of the 23 people groups in Tunisia, 14 have never heard the Good News. Christian literature cannot be openly distributed, but Christian media has been blossoming because of press freedom. Thank the Lord our Sustainer for the economic growth in Tunisia. Pray for The Lord of the harvest to raise up workers to reach the millions of unevangelised people in Tunisia. Pray for the salvation of all Tunisians and that God will intervene in everyone's life in a special way that will make them turn to God for everything. Ask for missionaries to reach out to Tunisian children in new and creative ways.

FRIDAY: 21 JULY 2023

WHEN GOD COMES, EVERYBODY PRAYS WITH ALL SORTS OF UTTERANCES

Now Peter and John went up together to the temple at the hour of prayer, the ninth hour. (Acts 3:1).

Pray for:

Regular, powerful prayer meetings with enthusiastic believers full of the Holy Spirit, seeing many answers to their prayers.

A 24-7 prayer awakening with non-stop prayer and worship and testimonies in your own nation and worldwide.

SUDAN – PORT SUDAN

He raises the poor from the dust and lifts the beggar from the ash heap, to set them among princes and make them inherit the throne of glory. "For the pillars of the earth are the LORD's, and He has set the world upon them. (1 Samuel 2:8).

While rapidly rising prices will continue to inflate government revenue in nominal terms, revenues are expected to decline by 6.4% in 2023 as the economy contracts and most direct budget support remains frozen. Port Sudan is the main seaport of Sudan and exports gum, oilseeds, animal hides and skin, senna and the major imports include machines, automobiles, fuel oil and oil products, pesticides and building material such as cement. The poverty rate rose from 64.6% in 2021 to 66.1% in 2022. Ask the Lord to restore sustainable growth in the economy of Sudan. After a conflict broke out in April more than 2 million people were displaced. Hundreds of thousands of refugees have fled to nearby nations. They are trapped and unable to leave dangerous locations or get food and supplies. Ask the Lord to intervene and bring peace amid the chaos. Pray for the salvation of these refugees. Ask for their protection so they will know and put their trust in the Lord Jesus, their Protector and God Almighty.

SATURDAY: 22 JULY 2023

WHEN GOD COMES, EXTRAORDINARY THINGS HAPPEN

And a certain man lame from his mother's womb was carried, whom they laid daily at the gate of the temple which is called Beautiful, to ask alms from those who entered the temple... (Acts 3:2).

And all the people saw him walking and praising God. Then they knew that it was he who sat begging alms at the Beautiful Gate of the temple; and they were filled with wonder and amazement at what had happened to him. (Acts 3:9-10). (The outcast and the poor received healing).

Pray for:

All believers, young and old, to have renewed faith in God for physical and emotional healing, in and outside the places of meeting.

Compassion in the hearts of believers to reach out to the outcast and the poor as part of their daily lifestyle.

MOROCCO – PORT OF TANGER MED

But if we hope for what we do not see, we eagerly wait for it with perseverance. (Romans 8:25).

Morocco is expected to experience a boost in economic growth this year and a 3.2% growth in the country's gross domestic product (GDP) in 2023, up from 1.3% in 2022 is expected. Port of Tanger Med is the largest in North Africa and it handles more than half of Morocco's international maritime trade and is the country's busiest port. It ranks as the 24th most extensive container facility globally, linked to over 180 ports across 70 countries in Europe, Asia, Africa, the Mediterranean and the Far East. Praise the Lord for the economic growth in Morocco. Despite its economic progress, 4 million Moroccans remain in poverty and live on less than \$4 a day. Poverty undermines the educational foundations for Moroccan children. Ask the Lord for opportunities for these children so that through education they will gain skills and knowledge for a better future. Pray for the salvation of all Moroccans and for them to have access to a growing, multiplying church within walking distance from where they live.

SUNDAY: 23 JULY 2023

WHEN GOD COMES, THE CHURCH GROWS RAPIDLY DESPITE THE OPPOSITION

*Now as they spoke to the people, the priests, the captain of the temple, and the Sadducees came upon them, being **greatly disturbed** that they taught the people and preached in Jesus the resurrection from the dead. And they laid hands on them, and put them in custody until the next day, for it was already evening. However, many of those who heard the word believed; and the number of the **men came to be about five thousand.** (Acts 4:1-4).*

Pray for:

The work of the Holy Spirit will not be hampered by opposition and criticism of the "religious leaders" of the day.

Pray that the church will grow despite opposition and even persecution.

SENEGAL – AUTONOMOUS PORT OF DAKAR

In Him you also trusted, after you heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation; in whom also, having believed, you were sealed with the Holy Spirit of promise, who is the guarantee of our inheritance until the redemption of the purchased possession, to the praise of His glory. (Ephesians 1:13-14).

Real GDP growth is estimated to have decelerated to 4.2% in 2022 and during 2023, economic growth should reach 4.7%, driven by a rebound in the secondary sector. The Autonomous Port of Dakar has one of the largest deep-water seaports along the West African coast. Its deep-draft structure and 200 m wide access channel allow round-the-clock access to the port. Give thanks to the King of kings for the economic growth in Senegal. Senegal has been devastated by droughts, and social issues such as alcoholism and drug use have permeated the population. Christianity is starting to take hold as hearts remain open in the Senegalese people. Pray for believers to boldly live out their faith in a way that draws the unreached to Christ. Ask the Lord for workers to minister to different tribes with Spirit-inspired material about who Jesus is and His love for them. Pray for spiritual breakthroughs among Senegalese and for the salvation of whole families and tribes.