

# POWER OF GOD'S WORD

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## 24-7 PRAYER FOR REVIVAL

26 June – 2 July 2023

Our focus for this week:

- **The power of God's Word**  
The effect of God's Word on our lives

- **Harbour cities**  
Praying for harbour cities in Southern Africa

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God's Word, the Bible, is the only sure guide for living a pure life. In almost every verse in Psalm 119, reference is made to God's Word and its ability to transform lives. This is our hearts' cry, for God to transform lives by the power of His Word.

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**MONDAY: 26 JUNE 2023**

**GOD'S WORD KEEPS US FROM SIN**

*Your word I have hidden in my heart, that I might not sin against You. (Psalm 119:11).*

**Bible reading: Psalm 119: 1-24**

**Let us pray**

**Personal:** Ask the Holy Spirit to **open your eyes** to see what He wants to reveal to you from Scripture today (Psalm 119:18).

**Church:** Pray for the **spiritual leaders at your local church** to spend time in God's Word so that they can be fully equipped to provide Word-inspired teachings, support and counsel to congregation members who are facing difficult circumstances (Psalm 119:12-13).

**Community:** Lift the names of your **direct neighbours** before the Lord in prayer. Pray for them to walk blameless before the Lord (Psalm 119:1).

## Praying for harbour cities in Southern Africa

### MADAGASCAR – PORT OF TOAMASINA

*And my God shall supply all your need according to His riches in glory by Christ Jesus. (Philippians 4:19).*

While Madagascar's economy rebounded faster than expected in 2021, growth is projected at 4.2 percent in 2022-2023. Tourism, agriculture, mining, and textiles are the main contributors to the nation's economy. However, increased corruption and poor infrastructure development have discouraged economic growth. The *Port of Toamasina* is situated on the east coast of Madagascar and handles about 80% of the nation's international maritime traffic. It contributes greatly to the nation's economy by promoting trade, commerce and investments in the country's shipping sector. Thank the Lord for His favour on Madagascar's economic growth. Pray for honest government leaders with a vision to bring their country to financial and political stability. Ask the Lord to deliver the country from criminals, violent and corrupt people and pray for their salvation. Pray for a spirit of prayer and repentance to be poured out on the church so that the country will turn back to the Living God.

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## TUESDAY: 27 JUNE 2023

### REVIVE ME

*Revive me according to Your word. (Psalm 119:25b).*

**Bible reading:** Psalm 119:25-48

### Let us pray

**Personal:** Ask the Holy Spirit to **revive every surrendered area** in your life (Psalm 119:25,37,40).

**Church:** Pray for **small group leaders** to continue to walk in the liberty that the truth of God's Word provides (Psalm 119:45-46).

**Community:** Earnestly call on the name of the Lord on behalf of **criminals**. Ask for a stirring in their hearts to **turn to the Lord** and to walk in His ways (Psalm 119:35-37).

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### MAURITIUS – PORT LOUIS HARBOUR

*For thus says the LORD: "Behold, I will extend peace to her like a river, And the glory of the Gentiles like a flowing stream. Then you shall feed; On her sides shall you be carried, And be dandled on her knees. As one whom his mother comforts, So I will comfort you; And you shall be comforted in Jerusalem." (Isaiah 66:12-13).*

The economy of Mauritius expanded by 7.7% year-on-year in the fourth quarter of 2022, following an upwardly revised 7.5% rise in the previous period. Port Louis is the premier port of Mauritius. Port Louis is strategically located in the Indian Ocean, well-linked with the major maritime routes going toward Europe, Africa, Australia and Asia. The capital city of Port Louis is the wealthiest city in Africa, and the nation has one of the highest per capita incomes on the continent. With free health care and university education, the citizens of this nation are physically well cared for. Praise God for Mauritius' economic growth. The spiritual need is great for Gospel advancement amongst unreached ethnic minorities and the young people of this nation. Pray that God would raise up steadfast church leaders and empower congregations to unite in truth, sharing the Gospel's saving power with people on the streets, their youth

and families. Pray for God's kingdom to be established and His will to be done in Mauritius.

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**WEDNESDAY: 28 JUNE 2023**

**YOUR WORD IS PRECIOUS**

*The law of Your mouth is better to me than thousands of coins of gold and silver. (Psalm 119:72)*

**Bible reading:** Psalm 119: 49-72

**Let us pray**

**Personal:** Praise God for the value of His Word in your walk with Him until this present moment (Psalm 119:49-50).

**Church:** Pray for churchgoers whose **hearts have grown cold toward God** to consider their ways and turn back to Him (Psalm 119:59-60).

**Community:** Pray for people who pursue material things more than God to realise that **His Word is more valuable than anything** this world can offer (Psalm 119:72).

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**NAMIBIA – WALVIS BAY**

*"The LORD bless you and keep you; the LORD make His face shine upon you, and be gracious to you; the LORD lift up His countenance upon you, and give you peace." (Numbers 6:24-26).*

The country's growth performance in 2022 reached 3.5%, driven by mining (especially the growth of diamond production), manufacturing, and the continued recovery of services. Port Walvis Bay is Namibia's largest commercial port and is a secure, efficient and world-class port. The fishing industry in Namibia is naturally linked to the lives of many citizens who are directly employed as sea-going or onshore processing workers. Praise the Lord for economic growth in Namibia. While the nation's natural resources are abundant, more than 35% of Namibians are without work, leaving many of the people in great poverty. Ask the Lord to send workers to this harvest, for open hearts and for the Holy Spirit to intervene supernaturally in these people's circumstances. Pray for Namibians to renounce ungodliness and worldly passions, and to live self-controlled, upright, and godly lives, waiting for the blessed hope and glorious appearance of our great God and Saviour Jesus Christ (Titus 2:12-13).

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**THURSDAY: 29 JUNE 2023**

**GOD'S WORD GIVES LIFE**

*I will never forget Your precepts, For by them You have given me life. (Psalm 119:93).*

**Bible reading:** Psalm 119: 73-96

**Let us pray**

**Personal:** In prayer, confess to God that you will **hope in His Word** in every season of your life, even in times of persecution (Psalm 119:81-88).

**Church:** Pray for all **the leaders at your local church** to proclaim the power and faithfulness of God's Word to people of all age groups (Psalm 119:89-91).

**Community:** Ask the Holy Spirit to remind the youth in your town/city **to acknowledge God as Creator** and devote their lives to grow in the understanding of God and His commandments (Psalm 119:73).

### **Praying for harbour cities in Southern Africa**

#### **ANGOLA – PORT OF LUANDA**

*He shall be like a tree planted by the rivers of water, that brings forth its fruit in its season, whose leaf also shall not wither; and whatever he does shall prosper. (Psalm 1:3).*

Economic growth accelerated in 2022 to an estimated 3.5% (from 1.1% in 2021) – the first time since 2014 that it outpaced population growth—thanks to a small rebound in oil production and high oil revenues. The Port of Luanda is one of the largest deep-water seaports in Angola. The port city of Luanda is the capital of Angola and is also one of the largest commercial centres of the country. The Port of Luanda is being continuously developed to improve the infrastructure to facilitate international trade. Major goods exchanged through the port include automobile parts, beverages, various agricultural products, etc. Though economic progress is surprisingly quick, with the nation becoming a leading producer of oil in Africa, many Angolans live on less than one dollar per day. Thank the Lord for the economic growth that accelerated in 2022. Pray for the Angolan people to turn their hearts to the Living God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ. Pray for families with little money to manage their finances in a way that glorifies the Lord. Ask for them to be good stewards of what the Lord provides for them daily and to share with others who have less.

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**FRIDAY: 30 JUNE 2023**

#### **GOD'S WORD IS MY LIGHT**

*Your word is a lamp to my feet and a light to my path. (Psalm 119:105).*

**Bible reading:** Psalm 119:97-120

#### **Let us pray**

**Personal:** Bring **matters regarding your future** before the Lord and ask Him to guide you by His Word (Psalm 119:105).

**Church:** Pray for God's people to **meditate on His Word day and night**; that it will be their delight and keep them from every evil path (Psalm 97-104).

**Community:** Pray for members of **law enforcement in your community**; to put their trust in God's Word for protection from evil, bribery and deceit. Pray that they will fear God more than man (Psalm 119:114-118).

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#### **DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC OF THE CONGO (DRC) – PORT OF MATADI**

*Jesus said to him, "I am the way, the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through Me. (John 14:6).*

Economic growth picked up to 8.6% in 2022, keeping the strong momentum from 2021 (6.2%). Mining sector investment and exports remain the key drivers of growth, owing to capacity expansion and recovery in global demand. Matadi Port is the most important maritime port of the DRC with 90% maritime traffic (not including oil tankers). It has a handling capacity of 2,500,000 metric tons of cargo

per year. The destruction of war lingers in the form of poverty, broken families, and regional strife. Conflict is widespread and very real, often taking on the forms of tribalism, murder, child abuse, systematic rape, mutilation, cannibalism, and witchcraft. Praise God for economic growth in the DRC. Praise the Lord for a major turning of Congolese to Christ and for the Church that has remained stable and consistent. Pray for the salvation of many unreached Congolese and for them to hunger for God's Word and a personal relationship with 'the way, the truth, and the life' – Jesus Christ.

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**SATURDAY: 1 JULY 2023**

**GOD'S WORD GIVES UNDERSTANDING**

*The entrance of Your words gives light; it gives understanding to the simple. (Psalm 119:130).*

**Bible reading:** Psalm 119:121-144

**Let us pray**

**Personal:** Cry out to God for **discernment and the ability to apply Scripture** to your daily tasks and concerns (Psalm 119:125).

**Church:** Pray for **teachers of the Word** to continually long for God's Word, to cry out for discernment and understanding and to boldly share revelation from God's Word with others (Psalm 119:129-132).

**Community:** Pray for **people with reading disabilities** to have access to Audio Bibles, for understanding is promised for those who seek His Word (Psalm 119:130).

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**SEYCHELLES – PORT OF VICTORIA**

*Let us know, let us pursue the knowledge of the LORD. His going forth is established as the morning; He will come to us like the rain, like the latter and former rain to the earth. (Hosea 6:3).*

Gross domestic product (GDP) growth rebounded to 7.9% in 2021 and 9.5% in 2022, exceeding the East Africa averages of 4.7% and 4.4%. Growth was driven by tourism and fisheries on the supply side and by household consumption and investment on the demand side. The island has one major cargo port, the Port of Victoria, which is the only Industrial Fishing, Cruise and Super Yachts port destination in the southwestern Indian Ocean. The tourist sector is very important to the economy, employing roughly 30% of the labour, as is the tuna fishing industry. Give thanks to the Lord for His favour on the economic growth in Seychelles. Surveys reveal that only 2% of the population believe Jesus is the Son of God, and 95% mix Christianity with animistic concepts. Pray for more Christian outreach to people living on the outer islands. Pray for the salvation of Seychellois and for them to pursue and grow in the grace and knowledge of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ.

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**SUNDAY: 2 JULY 2023**  
**GOD'S WORD IS TRUTH**

*The entirety of Your word is truth, and every one of Your righteous judgments endures forever. (Psalm 119:160)*

**Bible reading:** Psalm 119: 145-176

**Let us pray**

**Personal:** Earnestly cry out to God for a **deeper longing for His Word**. Commit to spending time daily to meditate on God's Word (Psalm 119:145-148).

**Church:** Pray for the **members of your local congregation** to love God's Word, and to walk blameless before God because they love and delight in His truth (Psalm 119:165).

**Community:** Call on God to **reveal His mercy** to people who willfully choose to do evil and do not fear His name. Ask that they will be revived by His righteous judgments (Psalm 119:155-156).

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**SOUTH AFRICA – PORT OF DURBAN**

*For I am persuaded that neither death nor life, nor angels nor principalities nor powers, nor things present nor things to come, nor height nor depth, nor any other created thing, shall be able to separate us from the love of God which is in Christ Jesus our Lord. (Romans 8:38-39).*

As per Statistics South Africa (StatsSA), the South African economy expanded by merely 0.3% since the pandemic outbreak (that is, between 2019 and 2022) – which is a fraction of its population growth over that period. The Port of Durban is the main container port on the South African coastline. While this port handles approximately 60 percent of South Africa's container traffic, the port also serves KwaZulu-Natal, the Gauteng region, and a large portion of inland Southern Africa. Give thanks to God for the economic growth in South Africa. Corruption, HIV/AIDS, high crime rates and high unemployment and poverty rates all adversely affect the economy. Pray for the Lord Jesus Christ to redeem the lives of victims of violence, crime and corruption, and to comfort them. *For with the heart one believes unto righteousness, and with the mouth confession is made unto salvation. (Romans 10:10).* Pray for South Africans to get opportunities to choose Christ and turn their lives around.

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