# Prayer Guide: Urban Ramadan 2016

	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Families	June 5 Ramadan begins at sundown	Day 1 Pray for: Fathers	Day 2 Pray for: Mothers	Day 3 Pray for: Children	Day 4 Pray for: Grandparents	Day 5 Pray for: Sick/Elderly	Day 6 Pray for: Believers in Muslim families
Students	Day 7 Pray for: University Students	Day 8 Pray for: Elementary Students	Day 9 Pray for: Middle School Students	Day 10 Pray for: High School Students	Day 11 Pray for: Teachers	Day 12 Pray for: Professors	Day 13 Pray for: Believers in Education
Workers	Day 14 Pray for: Farmers	Day 15 Pray for: Doctors and Nurses	Day 16 Pray for: Police	Day 17 Pray for: Office Employees	Day 18 Pray for: Marketplace Sellers	Day 19 Pray for: "Odd Jobs" Workers	Day 20 Pray for: Churches
Around Town	Day 21 Pray for: Poor People	Day 22 Pray for: Rich People	Day 23 Pray for: Religious Leaders	Day 24 Pray for: Political Leaders	Day 25 Pray for: Refugees	July 1  Day 26  Pray for: Believers	Day 27 Pray for: Night of Power
Ministry	Day 28 Pray for: New believers	Day 29 Pray for: Missionaries	Day 30 Pray for: Muslims all over the world				



#### Sunday, June 5 — Ramadan begins at sundown

For the next 30 days, Muslims all over the world will fast from food and drink from sunup to sundown, and give extra attention to their prayers and good works. If they can follow all the rules of Ramadan, Muslims believe they can please Allah and earn forgiveness for their sins.

- ◆Pray that those fasting will realize their good works are like rags to God and will not gain them access to Heaven.
- ◆Pray that God will raise up "message bearers" who will share the Gospel boldly with Muslims who have never heard the message of salvation through Jesus Christ.
- ♦ Ask for God to give Muslims dreams and visions of Jesus.
- ◆Pray for Muslims to hunger and thirst after Truth until they find the Bread of Life.

# Monday, June 6 — Day 1

*Pray for: Fathers*. Fathers are community leaders and heads of households. They work hard and take pride in their position.

- ◆Ask God to humble fathers so they will listen to the Gospel. Ask Him to open their hearts to receive it.
- ◆Pray that God will draw fathers to Himself so that they will become God-honoring men, affecting their communities and families for the Gospel.

# Tuesday, June 7 — Day 2

*Pray for: Mothers.* During Ramadan, mothers rise early to prepare a family meal before sunrise and a feast to break the fast at sunset.

- ◆Pray that mothers will hear and receive the Gospel, and pass it on to their children.
- ♦ As mothers get tired because of their Ramadan schedule, ask that God will meet them in their weariness and give them rest in I AM.

#### Wednesday, June 8 — Day 3

*Pray for: Children.* Most Muslim children learn to pray when they are 3, and start fasting at age 5 or 6. They are raised to bring honor to their families and make their parents happy.

- ◆Pray for Jesus-loving role models in the lives of children. Ask that children will grow in wisdom and understanding of the Gospel.
- ◆Pray that children will seek to honor God above everything, and do so by believing the Gospel.



#### Thursday, June 9 — Day 4

*Pray for: Grandparents.* With age and descendants comes honor and respect.

- ♦ As grandparents reflect on their lives and families, ask God to reveal to them what has been missing all along: saving faith in Jesus Christ.
- ◆Pray for a credible, honorable witness to share the Gospel with grandparents. Ask that grandparents' hearts will be opened to believe, and they'll profess the Gospel before their families.



#### Friday, June 10 — Day 5

*Pray for: Sick/Elderly.* Sick or elderly people are exempt from fasting. However, many fast anyway despite their health, because they want to please God in their fragile position.

- ◆Pray for healing and health to sustain the sick and elderly until they can hear the Gospel.
- ◆Ask God to give dreams, visions, and a clear Gospel presentation: "If you confess with your mouth that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised Him from the dead, you will be saved." (Romans 10:9)

#### Saturday, June 11 — Day 6

Pray for: True Believers in Muslim Families.

- ◆Pray that Believers will hold firm to Jesus Christ in the face of opposition and pressure from their families.
- ◆Ask that Believers will speak the Gospel to their families boldly and with love.
- ◆Pray for people of peace in Believers' families to advocate for and protect them.

#### Monday, June 13 — Day 8

*Pray for: Elementary Students*. During early fasting years, many Muslim children keep a half-day fast.. They are eager to gain approval from their family, community, and peers, and look forward to gifts at the end of Ramadan.

- ◆Pray for young students to be shielded from deception. Ask that God will protect them and put Believers in their lives.
- ◆Ask God to reveal Himself to children. May they know their Creator and long for His acceptance instead of the world's approval.

#### Tuesday, June 14 — Day 9

Pray for: Middle School Students. Muslims believe that a child becomes responsible for his/her own sins when he/she reaches puberty (usually in middle school).

- ◆Pray for middle schoolers to acknowledge their sin and need for a Savior.
- ♦ Ask that students will hear the message of the Savior Jesus Christ and receive Him with joy.

# Sunday, June 12 — Day 7

*Pray for: University Students.* For many students, college is a chance to form opinions and make independent decisions.

- ♦While students study hard to gain knowledge, pray for them to understand the Gospel. Pray for a clear witness, open hearts, and new believers!
- ◆Ask for God to answer the prayers of students in a way that they will know His power through His Son Jesus.

## Wednesday, June 15 — Day 10

*Pray for: High School Students.* High schoolers are responsible for their fasting, prayers, and good deeds.

- ◆Ask that high schoolers would hear a clear Gospel witness and understand that they have a personal choice to make.
- ◆Pray for students to seek out the Way, the Truth, and the Life so that they can have a right relationship with God.



#### Thursday, June 16 — Day 11

Pray for: Teachers.

- ♦ Ask that teachers' love of knowledge would lead them to pursue Truth and the Gospel.
- ◆Pray that teachers will encounter Jesus in a real and relevant way, and their testimony would spread into all areas of their lives.

#### Friday, June 17 — Day 12

Pray for: Professors.

- ◆Pray for discernment. Ask that professors will recognize and receive the Gospel as Truth.
- ◆Ask God to humble professors so they might hear a Gospel witness from an "unlikely" source.

# Saturday, June 18 — Day 13

*Pray for: Believers in Education.* Some campuses have fellowship groups for Christians, but in many places, such groups are "illegal." Pray for Believers among students, teachers, faculty, professors, and school staff.

- ◆Pray for Believers to be salt and light at their schools, not just through upright behavior, but with a verbal witness.
- ◆Ask God to shield believers from hatred and discrimination. Pray that I AM will be their source of love, patience, and perseverance.
- ◆Pray that believers will remain strong and faithful in the face of peer pressure.

#### Sunday, June 19 — Day 14

Pray for: Farmers.

- ◆Pray for Muslim farmers to hunger and thirst for righteousness. Pray that they will see God's hand in nature and be open to the Gospel.
- ◆Ask that God will use Gospel seeds planted in farmers' lives to bear His fruit. Praise Him because His Word never returns void.

#### Monday, June 20 — Day 15

Pray for: Doctors and Nurses.

- ♦ Ask that doctors and nurses will receive wisdom and skill from God in a way that leads them to faith in Jesus Christ.
- ◆Pray that God will work medical miracles to open their eyes to His might. Pray for them to hear the Gospel and believe it.

#### Tuesday, June 21 — Day 16

Pray for: Police.

- ◆Pray for police to be aware of their sin and need for a Savior. Ask that they will receive salvation by grace through faith.
- ◆ Pray for Believers in the police force to uphold righteousness in the face of corruption and share the Gospel with their co-workers.

# Wednesday, June 22 — Day 17

Pray for: Office Employees.

- ◆Pray that God will open office employees' hearts to His Gospel. Ask that they will believe upon hearing.
- ◆ Pray for Believers in lunch-time Bible studies at their offices. Ask God to multiply the Gospel from these groups.



#### Thursday, June 23 — Day 18

Pray for: Marketplace Sellers.

- ◆Ask that God would bless marketplace businesses and for sellers to acknowledge Him as the only Giver of blessings.
- ◆Through exhaustion and money problems, pray that sellers will find rest and comfort in Jesus Christ.



#### Sunday, June 26 — Day 21

Pray for: Poor People. Ramadan emphasizes giving to the poor. Many poor families beg for food and money, and expect to receive this month.

- ♦ Pray for poor people to receive Salvation during Ramadan. Ask that God would bless their humility, open their eyes to the Gospel, and multiply their faith.
- ♦ Ask God to meet the basic needs of poor families and reveal their most basic need for Him.

# Friday, June 24 — Day 19

Pray for: "Odd Jobs" Workers.

- ♦ Ask for these hard workers to experience miracles of provision that lead them to Salvation through the Cross.
- ◆As "odd jobs" workers criss-cross through many parts of the city, pray they will encounter a clear witness and share the Gospel wherever they go.

## Saturday, June 25 — Day 20

*Pray for: Churches*. To many Muslims, the word "Christian" is associated with materialism and "loose" morals. Christians and Muslims often co-exist, but in stiff tolerance.

- ◆Pray that churches will be sensitive to Muslims during Ramadan and respond with compassion to meet the tangible and spiritual needs of people around them. Ask that these demonstrations of Christ's love will be lifechanging.
- ◆Pray for unsaved Christians in churches to believe the Gospel during Ramadan this year.

#### Monday, June 27 — Day 22

*Pray for: Rich People.* Those with plenty are expected to give during Ramadan and believe their giving will be blessed.

- ◆Ask that rich people will realize their spiritual poverty and be open to the Gospel.
- ◆Pray for rich people to desire treasures in Heaven, and start asking questions which will lead them to Jesus.

#### Tuesday, June 28 — Day 23

*Pray for: Religious Leaders.* Muslim religious leaders are experts in their book and traditions, but even they aren't sure if their sins are forgiven yet.

- ◆Pray for God to reveal Himself to religious leaders through dreams and visions of Jesus Christ.
- ◆Ask for credible, honorable witnesses to explain the Gospel and scriptures to religious leaders. Pray for miraculous stories of radical faith!



#### Wednesday, June 29 — Day 24

*Pray for: Government Leaders.* Most government leaders are Muslim and mix religion and government.

- ◆Pray that government leaders will realize that they are subject to God's holy law and will be judged for their sins. Ask God to open their hearts and bring a Gospel witness.
- ◆Pray for people of peace in government positions to aid the spread of the Gospel in tough situations.

#### Thursday, June 30 — Day 25

*Pray for: Refugees.* Many refugees are Muslim and they are seeking freedom.

- ◆Pray for refugees to arrive safely in countries where they will hear the Gospel. Ask for faithful witnesses who can share the Gospel in refugees' heart languages.
- ◆Ask that refugees will recognize true freedom in Jesus Christ! Pray that they will accept His offer of salvation.

# Friday, July 1 — Day 26

*Pray for: Believers*. Believers in Muslim-majority cities often feel oppressed or apathetic about sharing the Gospel.

- ◆Pray that Believers will share the Gospel with Muslim friends and neighbors. Ask that they will pursue seekers and encourage them in their journey to Jesus Christ.
- ◆Ask God to strike down the oppression and apathy, and plant perseverance in Believers' hearts. Pray that they will be faithful to the Gospel in spite of cultural pressure.

#### Saturday, July 2 — Day 27

*Pray for: Night of Power.* Many Muslims will stay up all night long to pray for forgiveness on Day 27, because they believe that Allah is more willing to accept prayers on this night.

- ◆Pray for the power of I AM to override the Night of Power and free Muslims from the darkness that consumes them.
- ◆Ask God to give visions of Jesus Christ calling whole families to follow Him on the Night of Power.
- ◆Pray that God will reveal to Muslims that forgiveness is found only in Jesus Christ.

## Sunday, July 3 — Day 28

Pray for: New Believers. New believers face tough choices about how they will identify themselves and if/how they will remain in their families and communities.

- ♦ Ask God to give wisdom to new believers about how they can reach their family and friends with the Gospel.
- ◆Pray for mentors and fellow Believers to come alongside new Believers to encourage them in their walk with Christ.

## Monday, July 4 — Day 29

*Pray for: Missionaries.* Ramadan brings many opportunities for outsiders to visit their friends for break-the-fast activities and end-of-Ramadan celebrations.

- ◆Pray for Spirit-led conversations with seekers. Ask that missionaries will have wisdom about how and what to share with people who are seeking Christ.
- ◆Ask that missionaries will take every opportunity to share the Gospel with people around them.



#### Tuesday, July 5 — Day 30

*Pray for: Muslims all over the world.* As Ramadan ends, Muslims return to their hometowns to celebrate with extended family. It is tradition for people to ask for forgiveness from their friends, family, neighbors, and co-workers.

- ◆Pray that God will reveal Himself to Muslims and show them that forgiveness is found in Christ alone.
- ♦As Muslims continue with daily prayers even after Ramadan, pray that they will seek the love and forgiveness of the One True God.
- ◆Continue to pray for spiritual eyes to be opened and for God to bring a clear Gospel witness to the lives of Muslims around the world.

Thank you for praying through Ramadan 2016.

To God be the Glory!

Amen