



# Pray for Yemen

## A 4-week Prayer Guide



### Week 4 – Yemeni Believers

[Yemen, My Heart Breaks #4](#) (*Watch this video to help you pray*)

“Hasan\*” was raised in a fundamentalist family in a small village in Yemen. He always went to the mosque with his father. When he was five years old, he was sent away to Quranic school. He was taught that Christians are to be hated. Even though he was a sensitive and friendly boy, he learned to hate. When he had the chance to move to Europe, he moved.

He tried to integrate and study. He knew how to hide his feelings of hate and had a European girlfriend. Soon she took him to church. He was touched by the friendliness of the people and by the things he had heard. He then started to have dreams about Jesus, but it took him a long time to get over his prejudices against Christians.

Hasan finally decided to follow Christ and decided to go back to his home country because he wanted his people to know the truth. He knew their culture and their language. He knew that he was called to his own people even though the circumstances were difficult. He wanted to obey God and serve him even though he knew it might cost him his life.

His family threatened him when they realized that Hasan was a “kaafir” (an infidel). They wanted him to become a Muslim again. His life became complicated because they treated him like an animal. However, he felt peace and he knew that Jesus was with him. God gave him courage and a supernatural joy. He didn’t want to go back to his old life.

Soon, one of his friends became a believer. Not long after that, his youngest brother and a sister followed his example. He rejoiced, but his father and his oldest brother put him into prison to get rid of him. Even in prison, he told others of Jesus and sang worship songs with them.



\* named changed for security reasons

## Thank God.....

- for hundreds of believers in Yemen. Many of them are coming to faith as a result of the war. The church is growing despite the war!
- for leaders in the local Yemeni church who have a shepherd's heart to take care of their flocks. Some of them have been killed for their faith. Others have been imprisoned for short or long periods of time. Hasan said: "After my first time in prison, I lost my fear. Jesus supported me and strengthened me. I started to minister to others who are living in fear."
- that some of the believers are boldly sharing the gospel with their families, friends, and co-workers.
- for Christian media. It has been a good tool to broadcast the gospel to areas where no workers can go.
- for how he encourages the believers through corporate worship. They sing their own songs in Yemeni Arabic and read and study the Bible together as one body of Christ.

## Pray....

- that the believers would continue to preach the gospel with boldness (Acts 4:29).
- that God would continue to build the Yemeni church in every region of the country (Matthew 16:18).
- for spiritual maturity and growth for the Yemeni believers. Pray that they would grow in the grace and knowledge of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ (2 Peter 3:18).
- for the leaders of the Yemeni church. They need to grow in their qualifications as elders (1 Timothy 3).
- for love, even for their enemies, their persecutors (Matthew 5:42-48).
- that love would cast out all fear from their hearts (1 John 4:18).
- that God would physically provide for believers during this very difficult time of war. Pray that He would provide medical care, food, clean water, shelter, jobs with incomes, etc. according to his riches in glory in Christ Jesus (Philippians 4:19).
- that the local believers would be mobilized to help and serve their neighbors in their communities with humanitarian aid. Pray that the world would watch and see the love of Christ demonstrated in the lives of the believers.

