



# RAMADAN IN EAST ASIA

**30 DAYS OF PRAYER  
FOR CHINESE MUSLIMS**

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## Ramadan

Ramadan is one of the most significant times in a Muslim's year. During this 30-day period they will fast during daylight hours, feast at night, all the while praying for spiritual favor. This prayer guide was written by several believers who love and serve the Hui, DongXiang, Salar and Bonan - all of whom are Chinese Muslim people groups. Will you join us during these 30 days and pray that as Chinese Muslims set aside time to intentionally seek spiritual truths, they will come to know the saving power of Jesus Christ who alone is the Way, the Truth and the Life?



## **DAY ONE**

Monday, June 6

My Fish Lady

I have a Hui friend who sells fish in the very back of a large vegetable market. There is little to no surrounding Gospel influence apart from me telling her who Jesus is. Before I arrived in this city, the chance of her hearing the Good News even one time was extremely low. God is sovereign, and He doesn't need me to accomplish His task, but, what if I had said "no" to His call to go overseas and tell people the Good News? What if I hadn't gotten on the plane and moved thousands of miles away from friends and family? Would she have ever heard the Gospel and have the opportunity to know the One True God? I'm just thankful He saw fit to send me to my sweet friend, the "fish lady." Go to [pray4hui.com](http://pray4hui.com) to learn about my friend's story.

" 'Come, follow me,' Jesus said, 'and I will send you out to fish for people.' " Matthew 4:19

**PRAY THAT GOD WILL DRAW OUT HUI  
PEOPLE TO BECOME HIS DISCIPLES. PRAY  
THAT HE WILL RAISE UP HUI BELIEVERS TO  
BE FISHERS OF MEN!**

## DAY TWO

Tuesday, June 7  
The Observance of Sawm



During Ramadan, all Muslims must refrain from eating and drinking, as well as from lustful and evil desires in obedience to Allah between dawn and sunset; this is known as Sawm. The thing about Sawm is that, according to the Hadith, completing Sawm in Ramadan can forgive all sins a Muslim has committed in a full year. I am so grateful to Jesus that I can draw near to God with the full assurance that because Jesus died and rose again, He opened for us a new and living path to enter into God's presence. Check out [pray4hui.com](http://pray4hui.com) to learn more about Sawm and Ramadan.

“Therefore, there is now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus, because through Christ Jesus the law of the Spirit who gives life has set you free from the law of sin and death.” Romans 8:1-2

**PRAY THAT CHINESE MUSLIMS WILL  
REALIZE GOOD DEEDS CANNOT EARN THE  
TRUE PEACE AND SALVATION THAT CAN  
ONLY COME THROUGH CHRIST JESUS.**



## DAY THREE

Wednesday, June 8

Foreign Workers

It can be tempting to think of foreign workers among the Hui as leading adventurous, daring, and exciting lives. What we're called to, however, is most often quite the opposite. Gospel conversations occur over the buying of vegetables, during playdates with our children, and during the everyday tasks that accompany the doing of life. We're called to obedience in proclaiming His name among the Hui, and we do this by intersecting our lives with Chinese Muslims. And most often this occurs during the mundane everyday. Learn more about foreign workers today on [pray4hui.com](http://pray4hui.com).

1 "The Lord had said to Abram, 'Go from your country  
... to the land I will show you.' "

4 "So Abram went, as the Lord had told him;"  
Genesis 12:1, 4a

**PRAY THAT GOD WILL STRENGTHEN  
WORKERS AMONG THE HUI AND HELP  
THEM TO SEE HIS HAND AT WORK DURING  
THEIR EVERYDAY TASKS. ASK GOD TO  
GIVE THEM OPPORTUNITIES DURING THEIR  
NORMAL TASKS TO SHARE HIS LOVE AND  
DESIRE FOR THE HUI TO KNOW CHRIST AND  
HIS SALVATION !**

## DAY FOUR

Thursday, June 9

Henna



The Hui come from a culture which is more concerned about the practical implications of your faith as opposed to its ability to stand up against an argument. They want to know what actions your beliefs inspire and how they affect your emotions. Most Hui women are less likely to care about a clear articulation of the Trinity than that Jesus spoke to a minority woman at a well and cared about her soul. Believers in China are using Henna as an artistic way to draw interest to the Gospel (no pun intended). Go to [pray4hui.com](http://pray4hui.com) to read about how henna has been used as a bridge to share the Gospel with Hui people.

“How beautiful on the mountains  
are the feet of those who bring good news”  
Isaiah 52:7

**PRAY THAT DIFFERENT ENTRY METHODS  
SUCH AS ART AND MUSIC WILL CONTINUE  
TO BE UTILIZED BY TEAMS ACROSS CHINA  
TO REACH OUT TO THE HUI. PRAY THE  
HUI WILL REALIZE THAT THE GOSPEL IS  
BEAUTIFUL AND THAT IT INSPIRES BEAUTY  
AS WELL.**



## **DAY FIVE**

Friday, June 10  
The Salar People

The Salar people, whose population is concentrated in north central China, are a people with a strong Muslim background and rich history. A very, very small number of Salar are Christian. No church has been established, though today there is a small group of Salar attending a Han Chinese church. For followers of Jesus who desire to live among the Salar, long term commitment and sacrifice are essential due to the hardships and rigorous environments where the Salar often live. But the Lord provides for His children; let those who feel His call come to the Salar, live with them, and teach them His Word! Go to [pray4hui.com](http://pray4hui.com) to learn more about the Salar people.

“And they sang a new song, saying: ‘You are worthy to take the scroll and to open its seals, because you were slain, and with your blood you purchased for God persons from every tribe and language and people and nation.’” Revelation 5:9

**PRAY FOR THE SALAR PEOPLE, THAT THEY  
WILL BE GIVEN OPPORTUNITIES TO READ  
AND HEAR ABOUT JESUS' LIFE.**

## DAY SIX

Saturday, June 11  
How the Han See the Hui



Paul was constantly fighting racism. The Gentiles and Jews obviously had some bad blood. Without the saving work of Christ, people today are no different than they were thousands of years ago. In China, the Hui people and their neighbors are fighting the same battle. Their relationships are fraught with racial tensions that create barriers to the Gospel. The Hui are both hated by and hate others. Jesus never let hatred keep people from the Gospel. He fought against the racism of his day when he talked to the Samaritan woman and helped the Syrophoenician lady's daughter. Check out [pray4hui.com](http://pray4hui.com) to read more about how racial conflicts have been an obstacle to the Hui receiving the Gospel.

“for all of you who were baptized into Christ have clothed yourselves with Christ. There is neither Jew nor Gentile, neither slave nor free, nor is there male and female, for you are all one in Christ Jesus.”  
Galatians 3:27-28

**PRAY THAT HAN CHRISTIANS WILL  
BE BURDENED TO REACH THEIR HUI  
NEIGHBORS. PRAY THAT THEIR FEAR WILL  
BE REPLACED BY CHRIST'S LOVE AND THEY  
WILL BE THE HANDS AND FEET OF JESUS  
TO THEIR MUSLIM COUNTRYMEN.**



## DAY SEVEN

Sunday, June 12

A Hui Brother

By investing time in a local Muslim restaurant, I have been able to build several relationships that God has used to share the Gospel with the Lost. Before these relationships developed, however, I had begun doubting that the people God had led me to would ever accept Him - but He is faithful and good. Go to [pray4hui.com](http://pray4hui.com) to learn how the next generation of Hui are being prepared for the harvest as they seek truth and find a lack of power in the faith of their parents.

“Therefore, I urge you, brothers and sisters, in view of God’s mercy, to offer your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and pleasing to God—this is your true and proper worship. Do not conform to the pattern of this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind. Then you will be able to test and approve what God’s will is—his good, pleasing and perfect will.”

Romans 12:1-2

**PRAY THAT BELIEVERS WILL BE WILLING  
TO SACRIFICE THEIR TIME AND GIVE THEIR  
ALL TO DILIGENTLY BUILD RELATIONSHIPS  
WITH THE HUI AND SHOW THE POWER OF  
JESUS CHRIST THAT TRANSFORMS LIVES.**

## DAY EIGHT

Monday, June 13  
A Trip to Western China



There are millions of Chinese Muslims. I had the opportunity to visit a city in Western China where half of the two million inhabitants are of the Hui ethnicity. On my trip there I learned about these people's beliefs and way of life. I was struck by a big difference between Christians and Muslims that I hadn't fully realized before: Muslims believe in an impersonal god who requires specific rituals of them and demands that they pray to him in Arabic instead of their own language. How great to know that we Christians serve a God who loves all people enough to provide salvation for all men! And He doesn't require us to learn another language to talk to Him! Go to [pray4hui.com](http://pray4hui.com) to read more about this trip and to learn more about Chinese Muslims.

“By this everyone will know that you are my disciples,  
if you love one another.” John 13:35

**THANK GOD FOR LOVING US PERSONALLY  
AND HEARING US IN ANY LANGUAGE THAT  
WE PRAY TO HIM IN. PRAY FOR HIM TO  
REVEAL HIMSELF TO CHINESE MUSLIMS  
SO THAT THEY CAN KNOW THE ONE WHO  
CARES FOR THEM PERSONALLY.**



## DAY NINE

Tuesday, June 14  
Taste and See That  
The Lord is Good

Chinese culture differs from American culture in many ways. One of these is that it is common for families to live separately for the sake of work and school. Go to [pray4hui.com](http://pray4hui.com) to read about one of my closest Hui friends, Ma Fu, and her husband, who made the countercultural decision to keep their children with them as they live in our city.

This presents a whole other set of challenges for their family, but opens the door for another countercultural decision: to taste and see that the Lord is good! (Psalm 34:8)

**PRAY THAT HUI WILL MAKE A  
COUNTERCULTURAL DECISION TO TRUST IN  
JESUS. PRAY THAT BELIEVERS AROUND  
THEM WILL MODEL A RELATIONSHIP WITH  
GOD THAT IS ATTRACTIVE, REAL AND  
DRAWS OTHERS TO HIM.**

## DAY TEN

Wednesday, June 15

It is Difficult to Live in China



The Chinese language is a hard one to learn because it includes four tones, so one word can have four different meanings based on the way you pronounce it! “Ma,” for example, can mean “mother,” “horse,” “verbal abuse” or “leprosy.” Chinese speakers rely on tones and contexts to differentiate meanings. Chinese language learners rely on the grace of God to help them understand these intricacies! But in the English language, we also use context and emphasis to express our meaning. For instance, if I say it is difficult to live in China, you could take that two ways. The first is that it is difficult to physically live out your daily life in China. The second is that it is difficult to be allowed to live in China.

“Go to [pray4hui.com](http://pray4hui.com) to see which one I mean...but here’s a spoiler: No matter what, 1st Thessalonians 5:24 says that “He who promises is faithful, He will surely do it!” Be encouraged today that whatever God is calling you to, He is FAITHFUL and He is able to do it!

**PRAY FOR FOREIGN WORKERS WHO HAVE  
PLANTED THEMSELVES IN AN UNFAMILIAR  
CULTURE - THAT THEY WILL BE ROOTED  
IN THE LORD AND DEVELOP A LOVE FOR  
CHINA AND HER PEOPLE.**



## DAY ELEVEN

Thursday, June 16  
The Hui of Beijing & Tianjin



Beijing and Tianjin are estimated to be about 1.7% Hui, a combined Hui population of around 850,000. Many Hui, however, claim that the government underestimates their numbers and give a more realistic estimation of about 1 million. Still, this number does not include the many unreached people groups of China that are all represented in Beijing, as well as unreached peoples from Central Asia. Check out [pray4hui.com](http://pray4hui.com) today to read more about the Hui of Beijing and Tianjin.

“Then I heard what sounded like a great multitude,  
like the roar of rushing waters and like loud peals of  
thunder, shouting: ‘Hallelujah!  
For our Lord God Almighty reigns.’” Revelation 19:6

**PRAY THAT GOD WILL WORK IN THE HEARTS  
OF MUSLIMS IN BEIJING AND TIANJIN. ASK  
THAT HE WILL RAISE UP PEOPLE OF PEACE  
WHO WILL ACCEPT THE TRUE WORD OF  
GOD AND INFLUENCE THEIR FAMILIES AND  
COMMUNITIES FOR HIM.**



## **DAY TWELVE**

Friday, June 17  
Life On The Frontlines

“So this is life on the frontlines.” This is what crossed my mind as I sat on Nai Nai’s couch enjoying a hot cup of Eight Treasure Tea and snacking on delicious bread, waiting for her to finish cooking dinner. Living and working among the Hui is both a joy filled and sorrow filled task. Visit [pray4hui.com](http://pray4hui.com) to find out why, and to learn about who Nai Nai is.

“...I looked, and there before me was a great multitude that no one could count, from every nation, tribe, people and language, standing before the throne and before the Lamb.” Revelation 7:9

**PRAY THAT THE NAI NAIS OF CHINA WILL  
HAVE SOFTENED HEARTS TO HEAR AND  
RECEIVE THE TRUTH OF THE GOSPEL.**

# DAY THIRTEEN

Saturday, June 18  
The Night Journey of  
Muhammad and Salat



Many Muslims believe that the first thing Allah will count during Judgment Day is all the merit they accumulated from praying five times a day, known as performing Salat. Any insufficiency in fulfilling the Salat requirement in their lifetime as commanded by Allah, will result in them being abandoned and thrown into a lake of fire! One Muslim, Ali, sees this commandment as the most significant event of Muhammad's Night Journey, and you can read why in his retelling of the story today on [pray4hui.com](http://pray4hui.com).

“Let us then approach God's throne of grace with confidence, so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help us in our time of need.” Hebrews 4:16

**PRAY THAT MUSLIMS WILL SEE AND  
UNDERSTAND THE DIFFERENCE THAT  
COMES FROM PRAYING OUT OF A LOVE FOR  
A GOD WHO SAVES US, RATHER THAN A  
GOD WHO CONDEMNS US.**



## DAY FOURTEEN

Sunday, June 19

Selima's Story

Muslims respond to real compassion, the kind of compassion that comes from the love of Christ, often shown through His servants. Selima and her husband came to faith as a result of healthcare workers helping with her disease. Seeing the love of Christ demonstrated through these workers was a compelling witness to this young Muslim couple. In addition to this practical showing of God's love, a local worker gave a clear presentation of how they can be right with God, and the Kingdom received two new children of God. Check out [pray4hui.com](http://pray4hui.com) to learn more about Selima's story.

"We love because He first loved us." 1 John 4:19

**PRAY FOR MUSLIMS TO SEE THE LOVE OF  
CHRIST IN THE CHRISTIANS AROUND THEM,  
AND FOR MANY MORE MUSLIMS TO COME TO  
FAITH IN CHRIST.**

## DAY FIFTEEN

Monday, June 20

Not Your Average

Big City Hui



China's 15 million Hui are by no means a monolithic group. The many religious sects along with varying degrees of spiritual commitment can make it difficult for workers to accurately assess the underlying worldview behind each individual. The time and relational effort necessary to understand and serve a Hui neighbor can often be exhausting, with long periods of no apparent fruit. Only the wisdom of God's Word and the love of Christ's cross are sufficient for the task. Checkout [pray4hui.com](http://pray4hui.com) today to read more about how God's Word is working among the Hui.

"As the rain and the snow come down from heaven,  
and do not return to it without watering the earth and  
making it bud and flourish, so that it yields seed for the  
sower and bread for the eater, so is my word that goes out  
from my mouth: it will not return to me empty,  
but will accomplish what I desire and achieve the purpose  
for which I sent it." Isaiah 55:10-11

**PRAY THAT GOD WILL CREATE A HUNGER  
FOR HIS WORD AMONG THE HUI IN CHINA.  
ASK FOR HIM TO SOFTEN THEIR HEARTS  
TO ACKNOWLEDGE THE WISDOM, BEAUTY,  
AND POWER OF HIS GOSPEL TRUTH. PRAY  
THAT GOSPEL WORKERS WILL TRUST THE  
AUTHORITY AND SUFFICIENCY OF THE  
SCRIPTURES.**



## DAY SIXTEEN

Tuesday, June 21  
Out With The Old,  
In With The New

China is under construction. Renovation is often focused on older, lower income sections of town, which is where the DongXiang people live and where we go to show them Christ's love. We are trying to keep up with an ever-changing landscape and with communities that are always at risk of being displaced by the next construction project. At the same time, technology is allowing for new avenues to reach the young and old, literate and illiterate, majority and minority with the Gospel. Go to [pray4hui.com](http://pray4hui.com) to read about how our work is affected by China's rapid pace of progress.

"The stone that the builders rejected has become the Cornerstone." Psalm 118:22

**PRAY THAT THE LORD WILL HELP US  
CONTINUE HIS WORK IN THE MIDST OF  
CHANGE.**

# DAY SEVENTEEN

Wednesday, June 22

Bonan



17,000 Bonan suffer from ignorance of the Gospel. With no church to look to, they are dependent upon outsiders to bring the Good News of Christ's salvation to them. With no written language to use for Scripture, they are dependent on oral presentations of the Gospel. Praise God that He has called out His workers into this difficult field! Ask Him to protect His workers and allow His light to shine through them for the Bonan to see. Check out [pray4hui.com](http://pray4hui.com) today to learn more about the Bonan.

"... let your light shine before others, that they may see your good deeds and glorify your Father in heaven."

Matthew 5:16

**PRAISE GOD THAT HE HAS PROVIDED  
RESOURCES TO MEET THE NEEDS OF THE  
BONAN AND TO HELP HIS PEOPLE TO GAIN  
ACCESS TO THE BONAN. ASK FOR A GREAT  
HARVEST AMONG THESE PEOPLE BOTH  
FOR THE GLORY OF HIS KINGDOM AND FOR  
THE ENCOURAGEMENT OF THE WORKERS  
LABORING AMONG THEM.**



## **DAY EIGHTEEN**

Thursday, June 23

Street Friends

One of the easiest ways to meet Hui in our city is to simply walk down a street full of vendors who sell just about anything you can think of. While we do pick things up here and there, we generally have our go-to street friends: our fruit lady, peanut man, and bread lady, to name a few. As we pass them daily on our walks, we're greeted with big smiles and hearty hellos! Check [pray4hui.com](http://pray4hui.com) to learn more about the people who matter to us because they matter to God.

“Pray also for me, that whenever I speak, words may  
be given me so that I will fearlessly make known the  
mystery of the gospel”

Ephesians 6:19

**PRAISE GOD FOR HELPING US THROUGH  
CHALLENGING TIMES OF SHARING AND  
PRAY THAT WE WILL NEVER SHRINK FROM  
ENGAGING THOSE AROUND US WITH HIS  
MESSAGE OF TRUTH.**





## DAY NINETEEN

Friday, June 24

Common Responses

Most Christians are familiar with Jesus' statement of who He is, namely, God Himself in the flesh. Wherever Jesus went, He seemed to confront people with a decision to either believe Him or reject Him. When sharing the Gospel with people, it is natural to expect that some people will believe and that others will reject. But what about when they choose neither? In our world of increasing acceptance of every belief, many people are content to hold all religions as equally true. The Hui are no different - they are crippled by the lie that there is more than one way to reach God. Visit [pray4hui.com](http://pray4hui.com) to read more about a specific Hui lady's response to the Gospel.

"Jesus said to him, 'I am the Way, and the Truth, and the Life. No one comes to the Father except through me.'" John 14:6

**PRAY THE HUI WILL SEE THERE IS ONLY ONE WAY, ONE TRUTH, ONE LIFE. PRAY THEY WILL EMBRACE JESUS AS THE ONLY WAY FOR RECONCILIATION WITH GOD.**

## DAY TWENTY

Saturday, June 25  
May House Churches  
See the Need



The Hui are spread across all of China and are present in nearly every county. The only hope for reaching such a large and dispersed people is through Han Chinese house churches, which are also spread across China. Chinese house churches are recognizing the need to share the Gospel with Muslims, however, there are significant challenges to overcome in order for the Han Chinese to reach the Hui. Check out [pray4hui.com](http://pray4hui.com) to learn more about how Chinese house churches can engage the Hui with the Gospel.

“Though I am free and belong to no one, I have made myself a slave to everyone, to win as many as possible.” 1 Corinthians 9:19

**PRAY THAT CHINESE HOUSE CHURCHES  
WILL BE WILLING TO MAKE SACRIFICES  
TO REACH THEIR NEIGHBORS. PRAY THEY  
WILL DEVELOP A LOVE AND PASSION FOR  
SEEING HUI COME TO CHRIST.**



## DAY TWENTY ONE

Sunday, June 26  
The Night of Power

While talking about the Night of Power, an Imam explained that this Night of Power actually falls on any odd number of days during the last ten days of Ramadan: the 21st, 23rd, 25th, 27th or 29th day. Therefore, throughout the last ten days of Ramadan, Muslims will gather in the mosque in the evening, and an imam will lead them in wholehearted prayer and recitation. It is believed that Allah will grant forgiveness to those who fervently pursue the Night of Power in prayer and recitation. Just that one night, they believe, will make something extraordinary happen in their lives! Check out [pray4hui.com](http://pray4hui.com) to read more about the Night of Power.

“...I saw a light from heaven...then I asked, ‘Who are you, Lord?’ ‘I am Jesus, whom you are persecuting,’ the Lord replied.” Acts 26: 13, 15

**PRAY THAT AS MUSLIMS SEEK THE  
BLESSING OF ALLAH THAT THEY WILL  
RECEIVE DREAMS AND VISIONS AND  
LEARN THAT JESUS CHRIST IS THE ONE  
THEY ARE SEEKING AND MANY MUSLIMS  
WILL COME TO FAITH IN JESUS THIS YEAR  
DURING RAMADAN!**

# DAY TWENTY TWO

Monday, June 27

Hui Church



One of the few known Hui house churches is expanding! Praise the Lord! They have had many opportunities to impact their community for the good of the residents and the Gospel. Because of their faith in Christ, the members of the Hui church stand completely opposed to their family's Islamic faith and culture. They experience immense persecution, and their faith is simultaneously challenged and strengthened due to their increasing dependence on Him. Check out [pray4hui.com](http://pray4hui.com) to read more about the Hui house church.

“Then I heard a loud voice in heaven say: ‘Now have come the salvation and the power and the kingdom of our God, and the authority of his Messiah. For the accuser of our brothers and sisters, who accuses them before our God day and night, has been hurled down.

They triumphed over him by the blood of the Lamb and by the word of their testimony; they did not love their lives so much as to shrink from death.’”

Revelation 12:10-11

**PRAISE GOD THAT HE IS INCREASING THE NUMBERS IN THE HUI CHURCH. PRAY FOR HIM TO PROVIDE ACCOUNTABILITY AND ENCOURAGEMENT TO THOSE EXPERIENCING PERSECUTION AND THAT BELIEVERS WILL LEAN COMPLETELY ON JESUS.**



## DAY TWENTY THREE

Tuesday, June 28

Ningxia

Ningxia has a Hui population of 2.3 million people out of six million. Hui are scattered across the region. As you travel down into the southern parts of Ningxia, the percentage of Hui increases dramatically, as does the number of people living below the poverty line. Outside of the capital city, Hui view outsiders with suspicion. It can be difficult to find a job and move into the communities without a relationship with a person of influence. There are very few churches and believers in Ningxia. Few Hui are hearing and/or seeing the love and power of the Gospel. Check out [pray4hui.com](http://pray4hui.com) today to read more about the Hui of Ningxia.

“Then he said to his disciples, “The harvest is plentiful but the workers are few. 38 Ask the Lord of the harvest, therefore, to send out workers into his harvest field.”

Matthew 9:37-38

**PRAY FOR GOD TO CALL AND SEND  
WORKERS INTO HIS HARVEST AMONG  
THE PEOPLES OF NINGXIA, TO PROVIDE  
JOB OPPORTUNITIES AND ACCESS FOR  
WORKERS AND FOR OPPORTUNITIES FOR  
THOUSANDS OF PEOPLE IN NINGXIA TO  
HEAR THE GOSPEL THIS YEAR.**

## DAY TWENTY FOUR

Wednesday, June 29  
Hui Professionals



As a professional working in China, I have encountered many Hui, not only in my profession, but in various other professions as well – medicine, teaching, business, etc. The interesting thing, however, is that often you would not know who is Hui until lunchtime rolls around. They dress the same, talk the same, have the same ideals and aspirations as their colleagues, but one thing is for certain, they do not eat pork! Like many of their peers, Hui professionals are striving to advance in their careers, returning to school for Master's and Doctorate degrees, and even seeking opportunities to study and work abroad. As they embark on these adventures, God is opening doors for some to learn more about Him. This was clearly the case for my colleague and friend, Ma. To read more about his story, please visit [pray4hui.com](http://pray4hui.com).

“One of those listening was a woman from the city of Thyatira named Lydia, a dealer in purple cloth. She was a worshiper of God. The Lord opened her heart to respond to Paul’s message.” Acts 16:14

**PRAY FOR MA AND FOR OTHER  
PROFESSIONALS LIKE HIM TO HAVE MANY  
OPPORTUNITIES TO ENCOUNTER CHRIST  
IN THEIR WORKPLACE AND THAT THEIR  
HEARTS WILL BE OPEN TO RECEIVE THE  
MESSAGE OF SALVATION.**



## DAY TWENTY FIVE

Thursday, June 30  
The Power of Prayer

Sometimes it's all we can do to pray for those who we know need Him. In a recent trip to a neighboring city, I was able to experience just that. Living among the Hui can be a daunting experience, but it's also a constant reminder of the need for and power of prayer. Visit [pray4hui.com](http://pray4hui.com) to learn more about our trip.

“And he who searches our hearts knows the mind of the Spirit, because the Spirit intercedes for God’s people in accordance with the will of God.”

Romans 8:27

**PRAY THAT THE GOSPEL WILL BE BOLDLY  
PROCLAIMED IN CHINA AND THAT THE HUI  
WILL SEE THEIR NEED FOR HIM.**

## DAY TWENTY SIX

Friday, July 1

He Is Faithful



It's an obvious statement, but the Lord is faithful. How often do we say that, though, and not actually remember it? He's shown me His faithfulness again and again during my time here so far, particularly in providing opportunities to meet and interact with our Hui neighbors. I pray that He'll continue doing so, that some of those interactions will turn into lasting friendships, and that the Lord will use those relationships to bring Hui people into His kingdom. Go to [pray4hui.com](http://pray4hui.com) to learn more about how He's working to build those relationships.

“All the nations you have made will come and worship before you, Lord; they will bring glory to your name. For you are great and do marvelous deeds; you alone are God.” Psalm 86:9-10

**PRAY FOR GOD TO ALLOW WORKERS  
TO DEVELOP RELATIONSHIPS WITH HUI  
AROUND THEM. ASK THAT THROUGH  
THESE RELATIONSHIPS, HUI WILL BE  
OVERWHELMED BY THE REALITY OF GOD'S  
LOVE AND SAVING TRUTH.**



## DAY TWENTY SEVEN

Saturday, July 2

Needle in a Haystack

When God calls us to serve Him, we often get grand ideas of what that will look like. I know I had my own ideas of what serving the Hui would be like. I couldn't wait to be totally immersed in their culture each and every day so that sharing the Gospel would be a natural part of everyday life. Instead our family moved to a megacity where the Hui are only a small fraction of the 20+ million people living within the city. I realized that the initial part of my task was not going to be building relationships and sharing the Gospel with Hui but actually FINDING a Hui with whom I could build a relationship and share the Gospel...it was going to be like finding a needle in a haystack! Go to [pray4hui.com](http://pray4hui.com) to read about how God taught me that obedience to Him in prayer is what has allowed our family to develop relationships with the Hui in our city.

“ ‘For my thoughts are not your thoughts, neither are your ways my ways,’ declares the Lord. ‘As the heavens are higher than the earth, so are my ways higher than your ways and my thoughts than your thoughts.’ ”

Isaiah 55:8-9

**PRAY THAT WORKERS' LIVES WILL BE  
COMPLETELY DEPENDENT ON HIM AND NOT  
BE DISTRACTED BY INFERIOR PLANS.**

# DAY TWENTY EIGHT

Sunday, July 3  
Change of Plans



It's easy to come up with plans of our own and trust that they'll always work out – the test comes when our self-made plans fall apart, and God reminds us that we have to trust fully in Him and His plan. From being switched to a new city and new people group at what felt like the last minute, to having another trip cut short by snow, God has taught and continually teaches both my teammates and me that He is the only One we can wholly depend on to guide us through this life. Go to [pray4hui.com](http://pray4hui.com) to learn more about how God has shown our team how we can trust Him.

“In their hearts humans plan their course, but the Lord establishes their steps.” Proverbs 16:9

“Many are the plans in a person's heart, but it is the Lord's purpose that prevails.” Proverbs 19:21

**PRAY THAT GOD WILL LEAD WORKERS, EVEN WHEN THEY DON'T THINK THEY'RE IN IDEAL CIRCUMSTANCES, TO HUI PEOPLE WHOSE HEARTS HE'S MADE READY FOR HIS WORD.**



## DAY TWENTY NINE

Monday, July 4

Working with the Dongxiang

In a world that revolves around technology and the quick transfer of information, it's hard to imagine a topic, much less a group of people, who seem to remain somewhat of a mystery. Compared to Han Chinese and even the Hui minority, the Dongxiang Muslim minority of China remain unreached and largely unknown to the rest of the world. What little can be read or known about them is heavily negative and somewhat discouraging. However, if any amount of time is spent among them pursuing relationships, one will likely find a group of people who are kind, generous with their belongings, curious about the outside world, and devout in their Islamic faith. Visit [pray4hui.com](http://pray4hui.com) to read more about the Dongxiang people.

“By faith Abraham, when called to go to a place... obeyed and went, even though he did not know where he was going. By faith he made his home in the promised land...” Hebrew 11:8-9

**PRAY FOR BELIEVERS TO GO TO THE  
DONGXIANG AND SHARE THE HOPE WE  
HAVE IN CHRIST.**

# DAY THIRTY

Tuesday, July 5  
What Kind of People  
Does God Use



What kind of people does God use to reach the Hui? The same kind of people He used to reach the Greek-cultured Hellenists and the Jews in the book of Acts.

“Now those who had been scattered by the persecution that broke out when Stephen was killed traveled as far as Phoenicia, Cyprus and Antioch, spreading the word only among Jews. 20 Some of them, however, men from Cyprus and Cyrene, went to Antioch and began to speak to Greeks also, telling them the good news about the Lord Jesus. 21 The Lord’s hand was with them, and a great number of people believed and turned to the Lord.”

Acts 11:19-21

Normal Christians. “Those who were scattered” were the church-planting, Bible-teaching, Gospel-sharing Christians who reached the empire. The apostles stayed in Jerusalem. The “scattered” were not formally trained missionaries. They were not paid workers. They had two things in common: One, they preached the Lord Jesus, and two, they had God’s hand on them. From Paul the apostle to Rufus’ mother in Romans 16, it takes all types of people. God’s church was not meant to spread across the nations through one type of person. Acts is filled with different types of people all utilizing their jobs and their gifts in different ways. The same is true for the Hui. Go to [pray4hui.com](http://pray4hui.com) to read about four very different friends whom God brought together for His glory among the Hui.

**PRAY THAT ALL BELIEVERS WOULD PREACH  
THE LORD JESUS AMONG THE NATIONS FOR  
GOD’S UNIFYING PURPOSE. PRAY THAT GOD’S  
HAND WOULD BE UPON THEM.**



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