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A worldwide fellowship of churches seeking unity, a common witness and Christian service

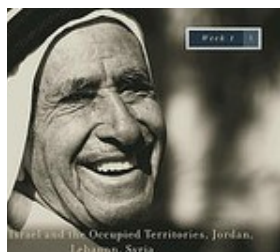
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Prayer Cycle

December 2013 - 04 January 2014

Egypt, Syria, Lebanon, Jordan, Israel and the Occupied Palestinian Territories



Pray for the prayers

Next week we pray for:

January 2014 - 11 January 2014

Saudi Arabia, Kuwait, Bahrain, Qatar, United Arab Emirates, Oman, Yemen, Iran, Iraq



Pray for the prayers

God's Hands: The Ecumenical Prayer Cycle

At the very heart of the ecumenical movement is the reality of prayer. Jesus prayed that we may all be one, of the Father, of the Son, of the Holy Spirit, of the Trinity. That is the basis and the goal of our search for unity.

The Ecumenical Prayer Cycle enables us to journey in prayer through every region of the world and through every week in solidarity with Christians all over the world, brothers and sisters living in diverse situations, experiencing diverse problems. We pray for them and they hear our prayer ...

These pages are based on the Ecumenical Prayer Cycle "In God's Hands - Common Prayer for the World" (ISBN 978-2-9524444-0-0). The website offers valuable aids for intercessory prayers, prayer on behalf of and in solidarity with others.

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For this week and next week we pray for:

Egypt, Syria, Lebanon, Jordan, Israel and the Occupied Palestinian Territories
We give thanks for: The Middle East Council of Churches and its efforts towards Christian unity and justice. The efforts of the churches in Syria to work together to find a common witness, particularly their engagement in finding a common date for Easter. The Holy Land, a source of inspiration that pilgrims of Islam, Christianity and Judaism find in the sacred places in the land called holy. The olive trees in Lebanon after the destructive war. Olive trees that have survived many generations and still produce fruit. People who dig for and its life-giving water. The pyramids, hieroglyphic writing and other wonders of ancient Egyptian civilization. The churches in the countries which have faithfully transmitted the Gospel from generation to generation, even when severely threatened. Those who give themselves to a life of prayer and service.

Saudi Arabia, Kuwait, Bahrain, Qatar, United Arab Emirates, Oman, Yemen, Iran, Iraq
We give thanks for: Christians who practise their faith in countries where they are a small minority; those who meet in secret to worship; those who provide links to Christians worldwide. Muslims who live up to the ideals of their faith and advocate tolerance and democracy and human rights. The graceful architecture of minarets and the sounds of the oud. The preservation of ancient cultures.

Overview for the whole year:

Week	Countries *	Dates in 2012
Week 1	Egypt, Syria, Lebanon, Jordan, Israel and the Occupied Palestinian Territories	30 December - 5 January
Week 2	Saudi Arabia, Kuwait, Bahrain, Qatar, United Arab Emirates, Oman, Yemen, Iran, Iraq	6-12 January
Week 3	Cyprus, Greece, Turkey	13-19 January

ek 4	<i>Algeria, Libya, Morocco, Tunisia</i>	20-26 Jæ
ek 5	<i>Denmark, Finland, Iceland, Norway, Sweden</i>	27 Januar February
ek 6	<i>Ireland, United Kingdom</i>	3-9 Febr
ek 7	<i>Belgium, Luxembourg, Netherlands</i>	10-16 Fe
ek 8	<i>Portugal, Spain, Italy, Malta</i>	17-23 Fe
ek 9	<i>Germany, France</i>	24 Febr March
ek	<i>Austria, Liechtenstein, Switzerland, Andorra, Monaco and San Marino</i>	3-9 Marc
ek	<i>Myanmar, Thailand</i>	10-16 M
ek	<i>Cambodia, Laos, Vietnam</i>	17-23 M
ek	<i>China, Hong Kong, Macao</i>	24-30 M
ek	<i>Brunei, Malaysia, Singapore</i>	31 Marcl April
ek	<i>East Timor, Indonesia, Philippines</i>	7-13 Apr
ek	<i>Japan, North Korea, South Korea, Taiwan</i>	14-20 Að
ek	<i>Djibouti, Somalia</i>	21-27 Að

ek	<i>Eritrea, Ethiopia</i>	28 April
ek	<i>Sudan, South Sudan, Uganda</i>	5-11 Ma
ek	<i>Kenya, Tanzania</i>	12-18 M
ek	<i>Malawi, Zambia</i>	19-25 M
ek	<i>Botswana, Zimbabwe</i>	26 May
ek	<i>Lesotho, Namibia, South Africa, Swaziland</i>	2-8 June
ek	<i>Angola, Mozambique</i>	9-15 Jur
ek	<i>Brazil</i>	16-22 Ju
ek	<i>Argentina, Paraguay, Uruguay</i>	23-29 Ju
ek	<i>Bolivia, Chile, Peru</i>	30 June
ek	<i>Colombia, Ecuador, Venezuela</i>	7-13 Jul
ek	<i>Costa Rica, El Salvador, Nicaragua, Panama</i>	14-20 Ju
ek	<i>Belize, Guatemala, Honduras, Mexico</i>	21- 27 J

ek	<i>The Caribbean: Antigua and Barbuda, the Bahamas, Barbados, Cuba, Dominica, Dominican Republic, Grenada, Guyana, Haiti, Jamaica, Saint Kitts and Nevis, Saint Lucia, Saint Vincent and the Grenadines, Suriname, Trinidad and Tobago</i>	28 July - August
ek	<i>Canada, USA</i>	4-10 Aug
ek	<i>Aotearoa New Zealand, Australia</i>	11-17 Aug
ek	<i>The Pacific islands: Fiji, Kiribati, Marshall Islands, Micronesia, Nauru, Palau, Papua New Guinea, Solomon Islands, Tonga, Tuvalu, Vanuatu, Western Samoa and the French Overseas Territories of New Caledonia (Kanaky) and French Polynesia (Tahiti)</i>	18-24 Aug
ek	<i>Estonia, Latvia, Lithuania</i>	25-31 Aug
ek	<i>Czech Republic, Poland, Slovakia</i>	1-7 Sept
ek	<i>Albania, Bosnia-Herzegovina, Croatia, Slovenia, Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, Kosovo, Montenegro, Serbia</i>	8-14 Sept
ek	<i>Bulgaria, Hungary, Romania</i>	15-21 September
ek	<i>Belarus, Moldova, Russia, Ukraine</i>	22-28 September
ek	<i>Armenia, Azerbaijan, Georgia</i>	29 Sept 5 October
ek	<i>Afghanistan, Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, Mongolia, Tajikistan, Turkmenistan, Uzbekistan</i>	6-12 Oct
ek	<i>Bangladesh, Bhutan, Nepal</i>	13-19 Oct
ek	<i>India, Pakistan, Sri Lanka</i>	20-26 Oct

ek	<i>The Indian Ocean islands: Comoros, Madagascar, Mauritius, Seychelles, Maldives</i>	27 Octol Novemb
ek	<i>Burundi, Democratic Republic of Congo, Rwanda</i>	3-9 Nov
ek	<i>Republic of Congo, Gabon, Sao Tomé and Principe</i>	10-16 Novemb
ek	<i>Cameroon, Central African Republic, Equatorial Guinea</i>	17-23 Novemb
ek	<i>Burkina Faso, Chad, Mali, Mauritania, Niger</i>	24-30 Novemb
ek	<i>Liberia, Sierra Leone</i>	1-7 Dec
ek	<i>Cape Verde, the Gambia, Guinea, Guinea-Bissau, Senegal</i>	8-14 De
ek	<i>Benin, Côte d'Ivoire, Togo</i>	15-21 D
ek	<i>Ghana, Nigeria</i>	22-28 D

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