

SCRIPTURE UNION EAST AND WEST ASIA

PRAYER UPDATE – SEPTEMBER 2010

WEEK 1: 1st -11th September

INTERNATIONAL:

PAKISTAN:

The recent flood in Pakistan which affected 1/5 of the nation is causing so much hardship to the people. Pray that help from people all over the world will quickly reach those in need.

REGIONAL

HARI RAYA PUASA: SU East and West Asia brings good wishes to friends celebrating the Hari Raya Puasa (the celebration after the month of Ramadan).

SARAWAK

Uphold SU Sarawak staff and volunteers in prayer as they conduct 4 youth camps during the Hari Raya Puasa holiday period (10th-12th September) in Lintang, Miri, Sibul and Kuching.

CAMBODIA

Please uphold our staff team and volunteers in your prayer as they conduct a youth rally in Batiay in Kampong Cham Province on September 2.

Continue to pray for our newly launched ministry among young teens. We are starting an English class for young teens in Phnom Penh on September 6 to contact young teens. Pray that the Lord will bless us with many committed teachers who will share the love of God through the teaching of English.

SABAH (3rd -6th September)

Please pray for Kem Sahabat (Friendship Camp) for young people with problems. Please pray for Christian teachers who are running the camp that the Lord will use them to ministry to these young people with very special needs.

TAIWAN (10th-11th September)

Please uphold Pastor Peter Chen of YMCA HK in prayer. He is invited by SU Taiwan to teach on youth ministry in Taipei. Pray that many youth pastors, leaders of youth fellowships and agencies will come to this training event.

SINGAPORE (9th – 11th September)

SU Singapore is partnering the Trinity Annual Conference Board of Children's Ministry of the Methodist Church in Singapore for a 3-day National Children & Families Conference at the Paya Lebar Methodist Church. Please pray for the 16 speakers and 500 participants expected at the conference that this conference will leave a lasting impact in their ministries among children.

WEEK 2: 12th – 18th September

INTERNATIONAL

Uphold Ms. Jenny Stewart, the new International Business and Development Manager in prayer. She replaced Mr. Ross Henshaw earlier this year. Pray that as she works alongside the Scripture Union family worldwide she will find so much joy and many opportunities to use her gifts to the fullest.

REGIONAL

SINGAPORE (16th-18th September)

Pray for God's anointing of wisdom and strength upon our Director, Mr. David Leong as he teaches a 3-day intensive block course on Church Education Ministries at the TCA College.

HONG KONG: 17th September

Pray for the 37th AGM of SU Hong Kong which will be conducted today. Pray that God will guide the selection of a good team of council members to lead in the work of SU in Hong Kong.

CENTRAL ASIA:

KYRGYZSTAN

Continue to pray that peace will prevail in this Country. While there is a semblance of peace in the Osh area, the tension between the Uzbek and Kyrgyz people remains worrying.

KAZAKHSTAN

Uphold our staff, Ongar in prayer as he continues to expand the Bible Ministry in Kazakhstan.

REGIONAL REPRESENTATIVE

Pray for our Regional Representative for Central Asia, Dr. Mussa Kim who is on home leave in Korea. Pray that he and his wife will have an enriching time during this one year of home leave.

PENINSULA MALAYSIA

A team under the leadership of Mr. Rene Low has started planning the 50th Anniversary celebration of SU Peninsula Malaysia. The 2011 Regional Council meeting of SU East and West Asia will be conducted during the same period. Please pray for the planning committee as they look into all matters related to both the Council meeting and the anniversary celebration that all relevant matters will be looked into.

WEEK 3: 19th -25th September

INTERNATIONAL

The Essential 100 Challenge (E-100)

The E-100 Bible Reading Programme developed by Scripture Union USA is built around 100 carefully selected Bible passages that enable people to get the big picture of God's word and, in the process developed a daily Bible reading habit.

Thank God for very positive responses from many countries in the world, which have adopted the material for local use which includes SU Malaysia. Pray that the Lord will use this material to develop the love for His word, especially among young people. Pray also that the plan to develop the children's and the youth versions will be successful.

REGIONAL

SARAWAK

Please pray for our staff members in Sarawak, (Yusuf Anyi, Zeliman Rining, Yahya Akaw and Billy Agan) as they will be conducting a number of 'Road-shows' to promote the ministry of SU, starting on 19th September in Kuching.

TAIWAN: 25th-26th September

The 2nd Children's Ministry training for the Southern Region of Taiwan will be conducted these two days. Pray for the organising committee under the leadership of Ms. Esther Lee that the Lord will give them the wisdom to bring about another great training event and excite more people in the ministry with children.

PENINSULA MALAYSIA

There are a number of positions in SU Peninsula Malaysia that needed to be filled urgently. Please pray that the Lord will convince those He has chosen to apply.

WEEK 4: 26th -31st September

INTERNATIONAL:

NIGERIA

There has been dangerous tension between Muslims and Christians especially in the North is worrying. Pray for our staff, Sam Udanyi and others in SU as they conduct 'Peace Conferences' through out the region. Pray for wisdom on the part of the planners and for lasting peace in Northern Nigeria.

REGIONAL

HONG KONG

Thank God that the SU Book written by Dr. Helen Wong; "Bible and Psychology" is ready for publication. Pray that many will buy and read the book along with the Bible.

KOREA

Please pray specially for SU Korea as they seek to serve the Church of Korea effectively in spite of her very complex developments.

Pray for 3 urgent matters in SU Korea: the appointment of a full-time Youth Ministry coordinator, upgrading its computer system, additional volunteers for the publication department and the Resource department especially for leaders to lead in small group Bible study.

JAPAN

Pray for SU Japan, hosting the 2010 Regional Council meeting (October 6-10), especially for Rev. Tadashi and his team working on the logistics of bringing representatives from all member movements of SU East and West Asia to Japan.

Pray for the applications for visas to enter Japan which can be quite a hassle.

Pray also for Gim Lam as he works with Dr. Jerip Susil, the Chairman, on the agenda for the business meetings and the General Secretaries/National Directors meeting.

SINGAPORE (27th – 29th September)

Pray for the SU staff team and volunteers as they conduct a 3-day combined Ascension Kindergartens and Childcare Centres Children's Day Evangelistic Programme. About 2000 children are expected at this special children's event.

Pray that the Lord will Himself visit the children in a very real way.