

# Weekly Prayer Guide



## Your prayers make a difference . . .

God is pleased to act when His people ask for justice on behalf of the poor. We request you pray for all our WorldCrafts artisan groups. We offer this guide to help you pray specifically for WorldCrafts groups working with those at high risk of human trafficking and sexual exploitation.

*In my distress I prayed to the Lord, and the LORD answered me and set me free.*

—Psalm 118:5 (NLT)

## Sunday and throughout the week

- Pray the millions of exploited women, children, and men in forced labor and the sex industry would cry to the Lord for help and He would orchestrate their release.
- Pray God would connect those being exploited with artisan groups that offer honorable, alternative employment with a fair wage.
- Ask God for the urgent social, economic, health, and spiritual needs of those freed from modern-day slavery to be compassionately met. Pray they would find eternal freedom in Jesus Christ.
- Intercede against the crime, corruption, lust, greed, and hopelessness that motivate and fuel human trafficking.

*"The Spirit of the LORD is upon me, for he has anointed me to bring Good News to the poor. He has sent me to proclaim that captives will be released, that the blind will see, that the oppressed will be set free, and that the time of the LORD's favor has come."*

—Luke 4:18–19 (NLT)

## Monday

- Pray the Spirit of the Lord would be upon WorldCrafts artisan groups working to end human trafficking and related evils.

- Pray for these artisan groups:

**The Well** (Thailand) offers a living wage and helping hand for those leaving the country's notorious sex trade.

**More Than Sparrows** (Rwanda) provides holistic change for women trafficking victims.

**Mully Children's Family** (Kenya) empowers exploited women to become self-sufficient and leads them to understand their own worth and dignity.

## Tuesday

- Ask the Lord to anoint many people to bring the good news to the poor, especially those subject to forced labor and sexual exploitation. Ask God for His blessing on WorldCrafts artisan groups.

- Pray for these artisan groups:

**Proverbs 31 Women** (Uganda) provides income for women in poverty, thus lessening the risk their daughters will be sold into exploitative child marriages.

**Refugee Beads** (USA) provides needed income and a safe community for refugees now living in the Atlanta area.

**Light of Hope Learning Center** (Bangladesh) is a day shelter for women in Bangladesh to acquire important job skills by learning to sew and embroider handicrafts. The income from this work allows them freedom, independence, and hope for a better life and future.

**Eden Ministries** (Asia) serves to restore freedom for the captives of Asia's red-light districts through holistic programs—transforming body, mind, and spirit.

## Wednesday

- Pray captives would be released, those enslaved both physically and spiritually. Ask for justice to be done. Ask God to mercifully end the horrors of human trafficking.

- Pray for these artisan groups:

**Thai Country Trim** (Thailand) provides sustainable employment that keeps women and their children out of prostitution.

**The Lily House** (Dominican Republic) teaches sex trafficking victims they are beautiful and worthy of love by training them to create beautiful hand-beaded jewelry.

**Blessed Hope** (Nepal) trains and provides jobs in jewelry making to help eliminate susceptibility to trafficking.

## Thursday

- Pray the blind would see. Intercede for the spiritual needs of those involved in human trafficking, both the victims and the perpetrators. Intercede on behalf of the justice systems around the world. Pray for lawyers, judges, and law enforcement agents to do what is just and right.

- Pray for these artisan groups:

**Rahab's Rope** (India) offers a full range of ministry services to women leaving the sex industry.

**Mother Care Handcrafts** (Kenya) provides a way for disadvantaged artisans to earn a fair wage by using their skills in the centuries-old traditions of carving.

**Baptist Friendship House** (USA) works to meet the physical, emotional, and spiritual needs of the homeless, human trafficking survivors, and those living in poverty.

## Friday

- Pray the oppressed would be set free. Pray WorldCrafts artisan groups would be blessed to be a blessing. Ask that they would be able to provide more jobs for more workers, helping more people at risk of human trafficking.

- Pray for these artisan groups:

**White Rainbow Project** (India) is committed to not only bring physical hope and care to the widows of Vrindavan but also emotional and spiritual support by demonstrating love in many tangible ways. They are driven by the call to seek justice, care for widows and orphans, and defend the oppressed.

**Sak Saum** (Cambodia) equips rescue victims with skills, employment, and the ability to earn fair wages in a safe, loving environment.

**Starfish Project** (Asia) offers hope to exploited women through jewelry making. They offer meaningful alternative employment, vocational training, educational grants, and a wide array of social programs to women in exploitive situations.

## Saturday

- Pray for the time of the Lord's favor to be realized among the poor around the world. Ask God's favor to rest upon WorldCrafts and its artisans.

- Pray for these artisan groups:

**The WellHouse** (USA) fights human trafficking as it extends our Father's grace and creates opportunities for restoration to exploited women.

**Love Calcutta Arts** (India) helps young women and their mothers break the vicious cycle of the sex industry.