

BUDDHIST WORLD PRAYER GUIDE

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FOR BUDDHIST PEOPLES

JAN 25 - 31, 2027



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HOW TO USE THIS GUIDE

TO PRAY WITH IMPACT

KINGDOM PARABLES | REAL PEOPLE | LASTING MOVEMENTS



Start with the Theme.

Let each day's Kingdom parable shape how you read, how you pray, how you respond.



Anchor in Scripture.

As you read the parable carefully, ask the Holy Spirit to personalize it so it frames your intercession before you do anything else.



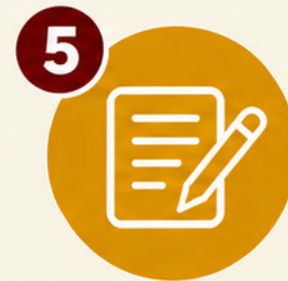
Read the Story.

Each testimony is a dispatch from the frontline. It comes from a believer or movement in the Buddhist world. Thank God and ask for a greater breakthrough.



Pray with Focus.

Do not rush. Use the prayer points invitations to intercede for real people, real cities, and real movements.



Respond to the Question.

Pause and consider the application question carefully. Ask the Lord how, in light of the parable, He wants you to love, act, obey or give.



Close with Worship.

Praise Jesus as you finish.





HOW BUDDHISM STARTED

The Story of Siddhartha Gautama
and the Teachings of Buddha

THE STORY OF SIDDHARTHA GAUTAMA

Siddhartha Gautama was born in the southern region of present-day Nepal in the sixth century BC. According to Buddhist tradition, a holy man foretold that the young prince would one day become either a powerful ruler or a spiritually awakened teacher. Determined to protect him from hardship, Siddhartha's father surrounded him with wealth, pleasure, and privilege, keeping the realities of suffering far from his son's world.

But at age twenty-nine, Siddhartha ventured beyond the palace walls and encountered what his sheltered life had hidden from him: sickness, old age, and death. Deeply shaken by what he saw, he left behind his position, family, and comfortable life in search of an answer to human suffering.

For the next six years, Siddhartha lived as a wandering ascetic, embracing severe self-denial and devoting himself to meditation. Yet despite his rigorous practices, he found no lasting solution to the suffering he sought to overcome.

According to tradition, Siddhartha eventually sat beneath a bodhi tree near present-day Gaya, India, determined not to rise until he had attained enlightenment. After persevering through temptation and distraction, he believed he had discovered the ultimate truth. From then on, he was known as the **Buddha**, meaning "Awakened One." He spent the remainder of his life teaching others the path he believed could lead them beyond suffering.



THE BUDDHA'S TEACHING: DHARMA

At the heart of the Buddha's teaching are the **Four Noble Truths**: suffering is an unavoidable part of life; suffering is rooted in desire and ignorance; suffering can come to an end; and the way to overcome it is through the **Middle Way**, expressed through the **Noble Eightfold Path**.

Within this teaching is the belief that desire itself is ultimately a source of suffering, whether the object of desire is considered good or bad. Buddhist practice therefore seeks to extinguish desire and reach nirvana, understood as release from suffering and from the continuing cycle of birth, death, and rebirth.

Rather than seeking communion with a personal God, the ultimate goal in this framework is liberation through awakening and the extinguishing of desire.



BUDDHISM IN PRACTICE TODAY

Buddhism looks different across cultures and communities. In many parts of the world, it functions not simply as a defined system of belief but as a cultural framework woven into everyday life. Local customs, festivals, social values, and spiritual traditions may blend with Buddhist teachings and practices.

In some communities, Buddhist practice exists alongside ancestor veneration, including rituals that involve seeking the help or guidance of deceased relatives, as well as other spiritual practices. For many followers, everyday religious life centers on **making merit** through acts believed to bring spiritual benefit, such as giving, honoring religious figures, supporting monks, or participating in religious ceremonies.

THE THREE STREAMS OF BUDDHISM

Buddhism has three major streams. While they share foundational teachings, each has developed distinct beliefs and practices shaped by different cultures.

Theravada — “Teaching of the Elders”

Focus: Personal discipline, meditation, ethical living, and awakening. Theravada closely follows the Pali **Canon** and is prominent in Myanmar, Thailand, Cambodia, and Laos.

Mahayana — “Great Vehicle”

Focus: Liberation from suffering for oneself and others. Mahayana traditions honor the Buddha and other enlightened beings and are widespread in China, Japan, Vietnam, and Korea.

Vajrayana — “Diamond Vehicle”

Focus: Ritual, symbolism, chanting, meditation, and visualization. Vajrayana includes Tibetan and Shingon Buddhism and is prominent in Tibet, Bhutan, Nepal, and Mongolia.

Finishing the Task: Praying Kingdom Parables for all Buddhists

Praying for the Buddhist world can feel intimidating. The people, beliefs and places are incredibly diverse, and Buddhism itself is layered and complex, shaped by centuries of history, geography and politics. With so much to understand, it can feel like you need a library just to pray wisely.

But the heart of this prayer guide is simple: pray for Buddhist people. Jesus reminds us in Matthew 6:7 that prayer doesn't need to be complicated or wordy.

The Unfinished Task:

Over 3.6 billion people live today having never heard the Good News of Jesus. While Christ-followers are growing at about 1.5% globally, the number who do not follow Jesus is growing at 1.8%.



500 Million Remain Unreached

The world's 500 million Buddhists are largely unreached and remain at the heart of the unfinished task. The vast majority have never heard the gospel and have little or no opportunity to hear the Good News from someone within their own culture. They live with deep spiritual longing, shaped by centuries of Buddhist teaching, but without having anyone to clearly share Jesus' message of hope and salvation with them.

We join together globally not to pray for a "bloc," but for individuals whom God deeply loves. We pray with the belief that many former Buddhists will one day stand with us before God's throne, part of the "crowd too numerous to count" from every tribe, tongue, and nation.

Kingdom Parables

Each day we will pray for a different region, city, and Buddhist traditions. We will also pray through a different Kingdom parable every day.

Jesus used everyday images to show both the power of multiplication in advancing the Kingdom and the immeasurable value of the Kingdom itself. He spoke of a farmer scattering seed, a woman working yeast into dough, a merchant who discovers a treasure worth everything he owns, and a net pulled from the sea filled with every kind of fish. No single image could capture the fullness of the Kingdom.

Habakkuk saw it as water. Jesus described it as seed, yeast, treasure, a net and a banquet. The images multiply because the reality of God's Kingdom is too vast to be contained in any one picture.

Each parable reveals a Kingdom principle to guide our prayers for that particular place: how the Kingdom takes root in contested soil, spreads invisibly through a nation that cannot contain it, moves people to give up everything for a treasure they never expected to find, searches until the lost are found, and carries its invitation into backroads and overlooked places where no one would think to look.

Together, these parables paint a picture of a Kingdom that is hidden yet unstoppable, costly yet freely given, seemingly small yet destined to fill the world.

As you pray through these pages, come expecting to encounter that reality. The same God who scattered these parables across a Galilean hillside is scattering His Word across the Buddhist world today. These seven days are an invitation to join Him in that work: to pray with eyes open to what He is already doing and with faith for what He has promised to complete.



God Is Moving: What is a Movement?

What does breakthrough look like? Around the world, "Book of Acts" movements are emerging, including in parts of the Buddhist world. We pray for these movements to multiply throughout the Buddhist world.

In these movements, ordinary believers use biblical, reproducible processes to share the Good News as disciples multiply disciples, leaders multiply leaders, and churches multiply churches.

More than 2,000 documented church-planting movements are now active worldwide, representing more than 200 million disciples and 10 million churches. Movement is not a modern strategy; it is the pattern of the early church, when the gospel spread rapidly through multiplying disciples and churches.

The Buddhist world remains one of the greatest frontiers for this kind of Kingdom movement. Prayer is not a supporting effort; it is the engine driving Kingdom multiplication. We pray with faith that God will bring a rich, multiplying harvest among the Buddhists He loves.



Why 110 Cities?

Throughout this guide, you'll find highlighted cities across South, Southeast and East Asia with large Buddhist populations. We highlight these cities because God loves cities and because they can become springboards for the gospel.

More than half the world's population now lives in cities, a number expected to reach two-thirds by 2050. The 110 Cities are among the world's most unreached megacities, representing languages spoken by 97% of the world's remaining unreached peoples.

Our prayer is for a Kingdom movement in each city: an organic work of the Holy Spirit in which disciples multiply, churches grow, and every part of urban life is touched by Christ.

Psalms 110:1–3 calls God's people to join Him in asking for the nations. We pray not because the task is small, but because Jesus is worthy of every city and every people.

Thank you for joining millions around the world in praying for the people who call these cities home.

Day 1: Jan 25

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SOUTHEAST ASIA:

Thailand, Cambodia, Myanmar

Focus City: Phnom Penh, Cambodia

"But the seed falling on good soil refers to someone who hears the word and understands it. This is the one who produces a crop, yielding a hundred, sixty or thirty times what was sown."

Matthew 13:23 (NIV)

TESTIMONY: THE 4TH SOIL OF THE KINGDOM BRINGS MULTIPLICATION

An outreach team of six Lao and 12 Isaan disciples went into unchurched villages to share their faith. As they talked about spiritual things, they heard, again and again, the same comment about a well-known spiritist: "Nangta? Everyone knows her, but she died last year."

But Nangta wasn't dead.

She had once been a well-known spirit medium, sought by villagers for healing, deliverance, and blessings. But the spirits she served took a heavy toll on her health, leaving her gravely ill and convinced she was near death.

Then, believers from a nearby house church visited her village. They shared the gospel with her in her home. She accepted Jesus, renounced the spirit world, and was miraculously healed. After Nangta became a disciple of Jesus, she stopped practicing spirit rituals. This led people

in other villages to assume she had died. When the outreach team arrived months later, Nangta opened her home to host them.

When the team told her that people from other villages were reporting she had died, Nangta laughed.

"They're right, I did die! I died to myself, and now I live for Jesus."

Nangta's testimony spread to many villages, and through the outreach, 172 people had heard about Jesus and 33 expressed a desire to follow Him.

One man, Mr. Tongdee, was so moved that he asked believers to help him destroy his Buddhist and spiritist amulets. Many people thought Nangta was dead. But she is more alive than ever in Christ.

PRAYER FOCUS

Lord, let the story of Nangta be repeated throughout Thailand—not just one woman transformed, but entire families, villages, and communities coming alive in Christ.

PRAY FOR SRI LANKA

Sri Lanka, 68% Buddhist, 15 million people. Home to significant Christian persecution. Pray for the small but growing house church networks reaching Sinhalese Buddhists.

MORE ABOUT THAILAND

The Thai, Thailand's largest ethnic group, were historically known as the Siamese. Today, they are generally identified as four regional groups: Central Thai, Northeastern Thai (Isaan), Northern Thai, and Southern Thai. Each region has its own dialects and cultural characteristics, while Buddhism provides a common thread that contributes to a shared Thai identity.

LET'S PRAY

Freedom from spiritual bondage:

Pray that people caught in spiritism, Buddhism, and fear of the spirit world would encounter the freedom and authority of Jesus. Pray for courage to renounce practices that have held them captive.

(John 8:36)

Transformed lives like Nangta's:

Pray that God would reveal Himself to people who are searching for healing, protection, or answers through the spirit world. Ask Him to use believers to share the gospel in homes and communities, leading people from darkness to life in Christ. **(Colossians 1:13)**

Bold, Spirit-led believers:

Pray for Lao, Isaan, Thai, and other local believers to boldly enter unchurched villages, build relationships, and share Jesus with those who have never heard. Pray that God would lead them to persons of peace who are open to the gospel.

(Matthew 9:37–38)

New house churches to multiply:

Pray that new believers would gather in homes, just as Nangta's home became a place of worship and discipleship. Ask God to raise up mature local leaders and multiply healthy, reproducing churches throughout Thailand. **(2 Timothy 2:2)**

Gospel advance:

Pray that testimonies of Jesus' power to save, heal, and transform would spread from village to village throughout Thailand. Pray especially for those who, like Mr. Tongdee, are ready to respond when they hear the gospel. **(Acts 13:49)**

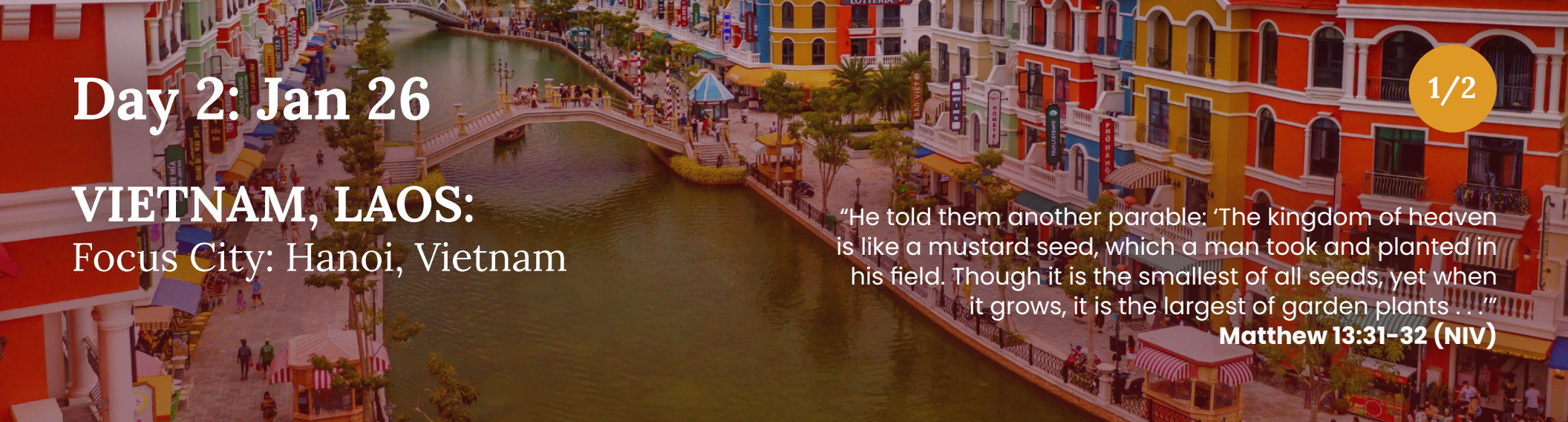
APPLICATION

God's Kingdom advances in contested places, not by avoiding opposition, but by moving forward through it. Where is God calling you to move forward rather than retreat?

THAILAND, CAMBODIA,
MYANMAR

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Day 2: Jan 26

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VIETNAM, LAOS:

Focus City: Hanoi, Vietnam

"He told them another parable: 'The kingdom of heaven is like a mustard seed, which a man took and planted in his field. Though it is the smallest of all seeds, yet when it grows, it is the largest of garden plants . . .'"

Matthew 13:31-32 (NIV)

TESTIMONY: KINGDOM GROWTH - FROM A SMALL SEED TO A TREE

In 2017, the Lao national church embraced a multiplication approach to making disciples and planting churches. With more than 200 ethno-linguistic groups among 7.5 million people, reaching every community seemed an impossible task.

But like a mustard seed, what began small has grown.

Over the past several years, disciple-makers have been sent systematically to every people group. Some were expelled or detained by police. Yet in many places, the gospel took root, new

disciples emerged, and churches were planted. As Lao leaders discovered God's heart for every people, they began taking greater risks, traveling into remote villages to carry the message of Christ.

Now, the Kingdom is multiplying into new generations. In several provinces, churches have multiplied beyond the fourth generation. And the movement is crossing borders as Lao leaders partner with disciples in a neighboring country to bring the gospel to communities where the Good News had never before been heard.

PRAYER FOCUS

Lord, give the people of Laos open hearts, prepare the way, and multiply disciples who will carry your Kingdom into places still unreached. We ask for disciples who make disciples.

PRAY FOR TAIWAN

According to Pew Research Center, 28% of Taiwan's population identify specifically with Buddhism. Many practice a blend of Buddhism, Taoism, and traditional Chinese folk religion. Pray for Taiwanese believers to reach Buddhist family members and neighbors.

MORE ABOUT HANOI, VIETNAM

Hanoi, the capital of Vietnam, is home to the Communist government, which places restrictions on religious activity throughout the country. According to Pew Research Center, in 2024, 38% of Vietnamese adults (roughly 37-38 million people) identified as Buddhist. Yet, beneath these restrictions, underground house church networks are growing, while ethnic minority movements in the highlands have experienced remarkable multiplication in recent decades. Learn more about Hanoi [here](#).

LET'S PRAY

The Kingdom spreading like yeast through Laos:

Ask God to strengthen emerging churches, raise up multiplying leaders, and give courage to those carrying the gospel into remote and unreached communities. **(Matthew 13:33)**

Mustard-seed beginnings to become movements:

Ask the Holy Spirit to open doors among every remaining people group and protect workers facing opposition, detention, or expulsion. **(Matthew 13:31–32)**

Multiplication to cross generations and borders:

Pray that disciples make disciples, churches plant churches, and the gospel continues advancing until every people group in Laos and neighboring nations has an opportunity to encounter Jesus. **(2 Thessalonians 3:1–2)**

A kingdom harvest:

Pray for a great harvest through ethnic minority believers in Vietnam's central highlands who are multiplying disciples among their own communities **(2 Timothy 2:2)**.

APPLICATION

The Kingdom grows in ways we cannot always see or measure. Will you commit to scattering seed even if you never see the harvest?





Day 3: Jan 27

CHINA:

Focus City: Chengdu

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He told them still another parable: "The kingdom of heaven is like yeast that a woman took and mixed into about sixty pounds of flour until it worked all through the dough."

Matthew 13:33 (NIV)

TESTIMONY: KINGDOM LEAVEN SPREADS THROUGH WHOLE GROUPS

High in the Himalayas, near the border between China and Nepal, church planter Sonam walks into villages where the name of Jesus has never been heard.

And the Kingdom is taking root.

In just one year, hundreds of new churches have been born among people long considered closed to the gospel.

Sometimes, it begins with one person.

In one remote mountain village, a young woman had been sick for years. Sonam prayed for her, and she was miraculously and completely healed.

Soon after, she followed Jesus' example and entered the watery grave of baptism.

Then something completely unexpected happened. Her father had watched everything. He had seen his daughter healed. He had seen her faith take root. And what he had witnessed stirred something in his own heart.

He followed his daughter into the river and was also baptized.

God has begun the process of saving this family.

But the story isn't finished. Other members of the household have yet to follow.

Pray for the rest of this family, that they too will encounter Jesus and enter His Kingdom. And pray for the thousands across these remote borderlands who are still waiting to hear that the Kingdom has come near.

PRAYER FOCUS

Kingdom Expansion: Pray that the Kingdom would expand even among the world's largest Buddhist population, that the increase of God's Kingdom would have no end in China (**Isaiah 9:7**).

PRAY FOR HONG KONG

Hong Kong reports over 1 million Buddhists among its total population of approximately 7.51 million. This city in political transition contains a significant number of churches. Pray for believers in Hong Kong to boldly and lovingly engage Buddhist neighbours amid ongoing social upheaval.

MORE ABOUT CHENGDU, CHINA

Chengdu, capital of Sichuan province, is a major hub for both Han Chinese culture and movement activity, sitting at the gateway to Tibetan Buddhist regions. China's 230 million Buddhists represent the world's largest Buddhist population, yet the majority remain outside the reach of the growing Chinese church. [Learn more here.](#)

LET'S PRAY

House church networks:

Pray for Chinese house church networks to courageously share Jesus among their Buddhist friends and family and to make many new disciples who also disciple others (**Acts 1:8**).

Movement leaders:

Pray for movement leaders in Sichuan and Yunnan provinces working among Han Chinese and ethnic minority Buddhist peoples to have a great harvest (**Psalms 96:3**).

Church in China:

Pray for God to revive a passion for prayer and the lost among the churches in China, and that He will once again hear the sound of prayers every morning in China (**Mark 1:35**). Pray for every Christian and church in China to be able to lead a quiet and peaceable life in all godliness and reverence so that the work of God will continue without hindrance (**1 Tim 2:2**). Pray for God's wisdom to be upon all the disciples and churches in China so they will be able to know the will of God for them and also the way God wants them to conduct themselves (**James 1:5**).

Frontier Unreached People Groups:

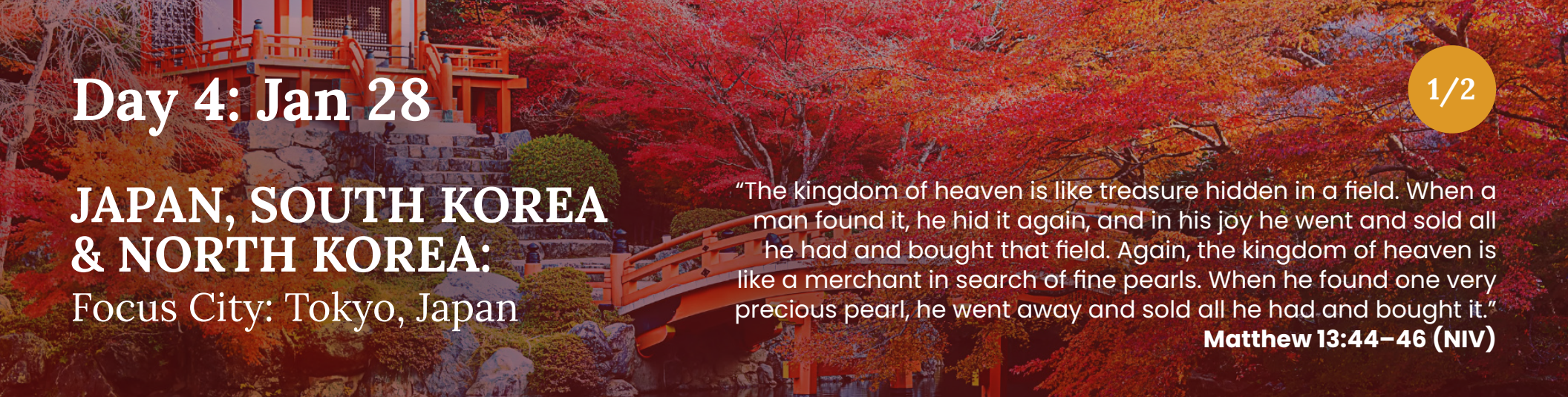
Pray for harvest workers to be given boldness, courage and wisdom and to be thrust out into the 76 frontier unreached people groups (peoples with virtually no gospel witness) within China's borders and for a harvest to begin (**Romans 15:20-21**).

APPLICATION

Isaiah 9:7 declares that the increase of God's government has no end. Would you join in praying that his rule would soon overcome all the powers that stand against him in these countries?

CHINA 2/2





Day 4: Jan 28

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JAPAN, SOUTH KOREA & NORTH KOREA: Focus City: Tokyo, Japan

"The kingdom of heaven is like treasure hidden in a field. When a man found it, he hid it again, and in his joy he went and sold all he had and bought that field. Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a merchant in search of fine pearls. When he found one very precious pearl, he went away and sold all he had and bought it."

Matthew 13:44–46 (NIV)

TESTIMONY: KINGDOM HARVEST IS WORTH EVERYTHING

Ten months after the March 2011 earthquake and tsunami devastated Japan, mission workers gathered in Thailand to hear an astonishing report from the northeast coast.

The region had suffered some of the worst destruction, and had also long been among the least-churched places in Japan. Yet something unexpected was happening.

People were coming to Jesus faster than mature believers could disciple them.

A fisherman who had lost everything experienced a disciple of Jesus coming alongside him and helping him rebuild his life. Moved by this kindness, he finally asked, "Why are you doing this?"

"Because I have a friendship with the

God who made you," the man replied. A woman living in temporary housing described how Jesus had come to her like a neighbor stopping by. He told her that the things she had lost no longer mattered.

Again and again, stories emerged of people whose lives had been shattered by the disaster and were then discovering hope in Christ.

Dr. Mitsuo Fukuda, a Japanese missiologist, succinctly captured what was happening: "They didn't have to do evangelism. They only had to gather in the fruit God had brought."

Where the waves had brought devastation, God was bringing new life. Where the church had struggled to take root, the Kingdom was beginning to flourish.

PRAYER FOCUS: SOUTH KOREA

Asia's Largest Christian Communities: Pray for South Korean believers, one of Asia's largest Christian communities, to turn their missionary energy toward having a large harvest of new disciples among the Buddhist majority in their own nation. (**Romans 10:1**)

PRAY FOR NORTH KOREA

In North Korea, a once-significant Buddhist heritage has been suppressed, and religious freedom is virtually nonexistent. Behind closed borders and through intense persecution, a hidden church continues to follow Jesus—often at great personal cost. Pray for courage and protection for believers who worship in secret, for the gospel to find its way into places where it has never been heard.

MORE ABOUT TOKYO, JAPAN

Tokyo is one of the world's great megacities, yet remains one of its least-reached. With fewer than 1% of Japan's population identifying as evangelical Christian and 69.5 million Buddhists across the nation, Japan stands as a vast frontier for the gospel. Yet God is at work. Across this spiritually hungry nation, ordinary believers are carrying the presence of Jesus into homes, relationships, and communities through acts of compassion and faithful witness. As these seeds of the Kingdom take root, we pray for a movement of disciples who will multiply and see the light of Christ spread throughout Japan. [Learn more about Tokyo here.](#)

LET'S PRAY

Japanese followers: Pray that Japanese followers of Jesus will learn how to make disciples who make disciples all across Japan among their Buddhist-background neighbours. **(1 Thessalonians 2:8)**

Harvest workers: Pray for harvest workers in Japan to start new groups of disciples meeting together, following the pattern Jesus sent his 72 other disciples to do in **Luke 1:1-23**.

Transforming power: Pray that the transforming power and message of the Kingdom would break through the spiritual resistance that has kept Japan under 1% Christian for generations. **(2 Corinthians 4:4-6)**

Multiplying disciples: Pray for movements of multiplying disciples to emerge among Buddhist-background peoples in both nations. **(Isaiah 43:19)**

APPLICATION

Luke 4:18 says, "The Spirit of the Lord is on me, because he has anointed me to proclaim good news to the poor. He has sent me to proclaim freedom for the prisoners and recovery of sight for the blind, to set the oppressed free." Jesus described what the Kingdom would look like when it arrived. Who in your life is captive or blind that God is asking you to share with this week?



Day 5: Jan 29

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THE TIBETAN BUDDHIST WORLD:

India, Nepal, Bhutan, Tibet

Focus City: Lhasa, Tibet

“Or suppose a woman has ten silver coin and loses one. Doesn’t she light a lamp, sweep the house and search carefully until she finds it? And when she finds it, she calls her friends and neighbors together and says, ‘Rejoice with me; I have found my lost coin.’ In the same way ...”

Luke 15:8-10 (NIV)

TESTIMONY: THE KINGDOM—CAREFULLY SEARCHING FOR THE LOST

For years, Ambi Tumba, a Nepali man, followed the Buddhist faith of his family and community. As a father of two sons and four daughters, he believed that doing good works and worshipping Buddha was the right way to live.

Then Ambi heard the testimony of a disciple named Som and encountered the gospel of Jesus Christ.

The Good News of the gospel changed everything for Ambi.

“Through the gospel, I learned that Jesus Christ is the only way to salvation,” Ambi shared. “This message touched my heart deeply. I believed in Jesus Christ and decided to follow Him.”

Ambi and his family became the first known followers of Jesus among the Tsum, a Tibetan Buddhist people. Their decision came at a great cost. Because of their faith in Jesus, they were cast out of their village and forced to relocate to Nepal’s remote Nubri Valley, near the border with Tibet, China.

Yet Ambi is not turning back. He is grateful that someone brought him the gospel and that, through Jesus, he has found a hope that cannot be taken away.

Now, he and his family are praying that others among the Tsum will one day discover the same hope.

PRAYER FOCUS: LHASA

Pray for open hearts and effective messengers as the Good Shepherd seeks out the lost sheep in Lhasa, across the plateau, and throughout the Tibetan diaspora. Pray He would open doors for the gospel and establish His Kingdom in places where his name is still unknown.

PRAY FOR BANGLADESH

Bangladesh is home to approximately 1.3 million Buddhists, many of whom are Chakma. The Chakma are a distinct indigenous ethnic group native to the Chittagong Hill Tracts in Bangladesh, parts of Northeast India, and western Myanmar. Pray these communities would encounter the gospel through local believers, and new disciples and churches would emerge among them.

MORE ABOUT LHASA, TIBET

Lhasa stands as the historic heart of Tibetan Buddhism and the spiritual center of the Tibetan world. Home to the iconic Potala Palace, it draws pilgrims from across the Tibetan Plateau. Access remains tightly restricted, and Tibetan Buddhism is deeply woven into the identity and daily life of its people, making Lhasa one of the world’s most resistant strongholds to the gospel. Yet no place is beyond the reach of God. Learn more [here](#).

LET'S PRAY

Nepali movement leaders: Pray for God to increase the fruitfulness of Nepali movement leaders working across the Himalayas into Tibetan Buddhist communities. **(Isaiah 52:7)**

Flooding disaster: Pray for the communities north of Kathmandu devastated by flooding—for peace, comfort, strength, and hope for Christians as they also help their neighbors who are suffering. Pray for many to become disciples as they learn Jesus is their only hope. **(Psalm 34:18; Isaiah 61:1–3)**

Bhutanese believers: Pray that Bhutanese disciples would be strengthened to overcome persecution for following Jesus and thus be able to give clear and powerful testimony of why they love Jesus and what he can do for all who believe in him. **(1 Peter 4:14)**

Bhutan and Northeast India: Pray for access and great fruitfulness for harvest workers to remote peoples in northeast India and Bhutan where geographic isolation and government restrictions limit gospel witness. **(Isaiah 45:2–3)**

Dalit Buddhists: Pray for a great harvest among the Dalit Buddhist communities in India, a population in spiritual transition, through the disciple-makers who have recently launched efforts among them. **(John 4:35)**

APPLICATION

Acts 3:21 says: “Heaven must receive him until the time comes for God to restore everything, as he promised long ago through his holy prophets.” Is there a specific way God wants you and your church to help in this restoration? Are you willing to pray toward it?

INDIA, NEPAL, BHUTAN, TIBET

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Day 6: Jan 30

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BUDDHIST DIASPORA:

Focus City: Dallas, USA

"The master told his servant, 'Go out to the highways and hedges and compel them to come in, so that my house will be full. For I tell you, not one of those men who were invited will taste my banquet.'"

Luke 14: 23-24 (NIV)

TESTIMONY: KINGDOM AT THE DOOR

In a Buddhist temple in North Texas, gospel seeds were sown in an unexpected place.

Door-to-door outreach had produced little response. But when workers began building friendships with Buddhist monks who wanted to learn English, a door opened. Using *10 Stories of the Greatest Man to Ever Live*, a story set that had been used with success in Laos, the team began teaching English through stories about Jesus.

Soon, two to five monks were gathering regularly in the temple for discovery-style Bible discussions. They listened, asked questions, and retold the stories in their own words. When asked what the stories revealed about Jesus, they responded with statements like, "He's a miracle worker," "He has power over

demons," and "He's the Savior of the world."

After three months, the meetings ended without an immediate harvest. One monk eventually left the monkhood and returned to Laos. Another passed away after hearing the gospel for the first time. Yet the seed had been faithfully planted.

Only God knows what happened in the soil of each heart. Jesus reminds us that some seed will fall on good soil and produce an abundant harvest. So we pray with faith: "Lord, continue to water every seed planted. Soften hearts, remove spiritual barriers, and send others to cultivate what has been planted. May these gospel seeds take deep root and, in your perfect timing, produce a harvest that brings many Buddhist monks into the Kingdom of God."

PRAYER FOCUS: DALLAS

Buddhist Diaspora Communities in North Texas:

Pray for harvest workers to be sent among the Thai, Sri Lankan, Chinese, Vietnamese, and Tibetan diaspora. Pray they will share the gospel with cultural sensitivity and genuine love **(1 Corinthians 9:22)**.

PRAY FOR OTHER WESTERN CITIES

Other Western cities have the same opportunity as Dallas. Please pray for the 110 Cities with Buddhist diaspora communities of London, Paris, Munich, Dubai, Moscow, and Athens.

MORE ABOUT BUDDHIST DIASPORA IN NORTH TEXAS

North Texas is home to one of the largest and most diverse Buddhist diaspora communities in the United States. Decades of refugee resettlement and immigration have brought Vietnamese and Cambodian Mahayana and Theravada communities, Thai and Sri Lankan temples, and a growing Tibetan Buddhist presence into one sprawling metroplex. Here, peoples from some of Asia's least-reached communities have become our near neighbors, bringing the nations to the doorstep of churches across North Texas.

BUDDHIST DIASPORA IN NORTH TEXAS

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LET'S PRAY

Christians from Buddhist backgrounds: Pray for diaspora Christians from Buddhist backgrounds to share the gospel with their own communities wherever they now live (**Mark 5:19**).

Local churches: Pray for local Western churches to recognize that the Kingdom has come near to those on their doorstep and to go out among them to share the Good News of Jesus (**Luke 14:23**).

Harvest in American cities: Pray for diaspora-focused ministries in American cities to see breakthrough and multiplication of disciples among Buddhist communities (**Colossians 4:3**).

Carrying the Good News home: Pray that Buddhist diaspora believers would carry the Good News back to their home nations, so that the Kingdom they have encountered here would take root and multiply there. (**Acts 11:19–21**).

APPLICATION

Luke 10:9b says, "The kingdom of God has come near to you." Who in your city has the Kingdom come near to but has yet to hear about it?





Day 7: Jan 31

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"For the earth will be filled with the knowledge of the
glory of the Lord as the waters cover the sea."
Habakkuk 2:14 (NIV)

YOUR KINGDOM COME

Six days of prayer have brought us to this moment. We have prayed for peoples, places, movements, and those who carry the gospel into the Buddhist world. Today, on this Global Day of Prayer, we lift our eyes to the horizon and pray the prayer Jesus taught us: "Your Kingdom come. Your will be done, on earth as it is in heaven."

Nearly 500 million people live within the Buddhist world, with little or no access to the gospel. But this is not the end of their story. We pray because the Kingdom belongs to the One who was, who is, and who is to come. We pray because He has promised that "the knowledge of the

glory of the LORD will cover the earth as the waters cover the sea." And we pray because we have been invited to help prepare the way for the coming of the day of God **(2 Peter 3:12)**, believing that the gospel will reach every people group and every place that has yet to hear.

Let us cry out for a revival of prayer to multiply, grow, and ignite fire for purity, holiness and deliverance from evil. Pray also for God's Kingdom transformation for those living across the Buddhist world. "Let us not become weary in doing good, for at the proper time we will reap a harvest if we do not give up."
(Galatians 6:9)

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for 24 hours of prayer in unity for Buddhist Peoples. Or gather in smaller groups in your local context. United prayer in agreement is powerful. We also ask everyone to pray today, by name, for five people you know who need Jesus.

PRAYING FOR KEY CITIES

As the Lord leads, choose one or two of these cities to focus on in prayer with your family, church, or prayer room. Pray for Kingdom movements (2414now.net) to emerge in each of them. You can find specific prayer points and video resources for each city at 110cities.com.

PRAYING THE LORD'S PRAYER

Use the Lord's Prayer as a framework, letting Jesus' own words shape and direct your intercession for the Buddhist World.

"Our Father in Heaven." Begin in Adoration

- Worship God as Father, the Father who welcomes every family in heaven and earth (**Ephesians 3:14**), the Father who lavishes love on his sons and daughters (**1 John 3:1**), the Father who sings and rejoices over his people (**Zephaniah 3:17**). Praise him that his fatherhood knows no geographic or ethnic boundary.

Give thanks for what God is already doing across the Buddhist world.

- We praise you for every disciple maker who chooses, day after day, to see Buddhist peoples through the eyes of Christ. Thank you for bringing your Word into languages and places where it has never been heard before, for families opening the Bible for the first time, and for new fellowships of Jesus taking root in places once considered closed to the gospel. Praise the Father of glory that his Kingdom is coming—quietly and unstoppably, like yeast. Thank you that no family, in any nation, is beyond the reach of his love (**Psalms 22:27**).

"Hallowed Be Your Name." May Your Glory Fill the Earth

- Father, may your Name, your reputation, your character, and your deeds be revealed across the Buddhist world. May your Name be hallowed in Bangkok and Beijing, in Tokyo and Ulaanbaatar, in Phnom Penh and Paris.
- Father, would you show your glory to Buddhist monks, government leaders, and ordinary families? Send dreams, visions, and witnesses. Let the knowledge of your glory spread like water, finding every low place and filling every hidden corner of the Buddhist world.
- Please revive the passion for prayer among the churches in China so that you, Father will once again hear the sound of prayers every morning in that country. (**Mark 1:35**)

**“YOUR KINGDOM COME.”
ACT AS KING IN THE BUDDHIST WORLD**

- Father, in Your holy power, remove the spiritual blindness over the minds of Buddhist peoples so they can see the light of the gospel in the face of Jesus Christ. **(2 Corinthians 4:4–6)** Buddhism claims to offer a path to escape suffering. We pray that millions would encounter the One who does not merely offer a path, but who is the way, the truth, and the life.
- Pray for gospel movements to multiply across every stream of Buddhism: Theravada peoples in Thailand, Myanmar, Cambodia, Laos, and Sri Lanka; Mahayana peoples in China, Vietnam, Japan, and Korea; Tibetan Buddhist peoples in Bhutan, Nepal, and the Himalayan highlands. Ask that disciples would multiply disciples, and churches would multiply churches until every people group has a witness. **(Matthew 24:14)**
- Pray for every believer within the Buddhist world to be filled with the Spirit and emboldened to share the gospel—with demonstrations of Kingdom power and radical love. Father, send forth laborers into this harvest. **(Luke 10:2)**



“YOUR WILL BE DONE.”

Pray for Open Doors and Transformed Lives

- Father, you desire that no one would perish but that all would come to a knowledge of the truth (**2 Peter 3:9**). We pray this over the hundreds of Buddhist-majority people groups that remain unreached—with less than 2% following Christ and no indigenous church able to reach the rest on its own.
- Pray for the Bible to reach every people group in their heart language. Pray for God’s Word to go forth with power across North Korea, one of the most restricted nations on earth. Pray for emerging youth awakening movements across China, Hong Kong, Taiwan, Mongolia, and Japan. (**Acts 2:17**)
- Pray for strength, resilience, and multiplication for every believer enduring persecution for following Christ in Buddhist-majority nations. May the church in suffering be the church that grows. (**Matthew 16:18**)

“Give Us This Day.” Pray with Compassion for Five People

- Pause and pray for five people in your own circle of influence—Buddhist neighbours, coworkers, classmates, or family members who do not yet know Jesus. Ask the Lord to give each one a personal encounter with him. “Father, draw them to your Son” (**John 12:32**). “May your kindness lead them to repentance.” (**Romans 2:4**)

“Forgive Us.” Release Forgiveness into the Buddhist World

- Father, release the power of forgiveness through the cross of Christ. As you have forgiven us, would you forgive those who have not yet known your Name, for they know not what they are doing.

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- Pray for the ministry of reconciliation to reach broken families across every Buddhist nation. (**2 Corinthians 5:18–19**)
- Pray for healing and wholeness for new believers navigating family rejection, for communities rebuilding after trauma and conflict, and for nations still carrying the weight of historical suffering. Father, bring restoration through the power of the gospel. (**Joel 2:25**)

“Deliver Us.” Set the Buddhist World Free

- Father, deliver every Buddhist family from the grip of the evil one—from deception, idolatry, and the hopelessness that comes from seeking liberation without a Savior. Release hope and healing through the powerful name of Jesus.
- Father, give the nations to your Son as his inheritance. (**Psalms 2:8**) May the knowledge of your glory come like a wave across these Buddhist cities—all for your glory, our joy, and the salvation of multitudes.

APPLICATION

A Promise Worth Praying Toward

Habakkuk 2:14 is not a prayer. It is a promise: “the earth will be filled with the knowledge of the glory of the Lord.” The question is not whether this promise will be fulfilled, but whether we will choose to be among those who pray, believe, and partner toward its fulfillment.

As these seven days of prayer come to an end, what is one specific, ongoing act of prayer or partnership you will commit to for the Buddhist world? How will you keep praying until the knowledge of His glory fills the earth?

THANK YOU FOR PRAYING WITH US FOR BUDDHIST PEOPLES



A LEGACY OF PRAYER

M. Bounds once wrote, **“Prayers outlive the lives of those who uttered them; outlive a generation, outlive an age, outlive a world.”**

What a powerful reminder that our prayers are never confined to the moment we speak them. When we pray, we are joining God in His redemptive work—work that reaches far beyond what we can see and often far beyond our own lifetime.

Every prayer you have prayed for Buddhist Peoples is an investment in eternity. Perhaps you may never meet the person whose life was changed because you prayed. You may never know the village where a church was planted, the family that encountered Jesus, or the disciple who carried the gospel to another generation. But God knows. **He hears, He remembers, and He is faithful to use the prayers of His people.**

Our hope is that these seven days have been more than a prayer guide. We pray they have helped establish a pattern—a rhythm of intercession that continues long after these pages are closed. May these prayers become part of a legacy that carries forward until every Buddhist People has

had an opportunity to hear and respond to the Good News of Jesus.

Thank you for praying with others globally. Thank you for holding the rope for people and places that may be far from your everyday life but are never far from the heart of God.

May the Lord multiply every prayer, every petition, and every act of faith—and may we one day see a great harvest among Buddhist Peoples.

May His name be known among every people.
May He be glorified in every place.
May His Kingdom come, and His will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.

Until ALL have heard.

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BUDDHIST COMMUNITIES AROUND THE WORLD

Real people.
Real communities.
Pray they find hope in Jesus.

 Country	 Population 2024	 Buddhist Population	 Percentage
China	1,425,000,000	230,000,000	16.1%
Japan	123,900,000	69,500,000	56.1%
Thailand	71,600,000	61,200,000	85.5%
Vietnam	100,300,000	49,000,000	48.8%
Myanmar	55,300,000	41,200,000	74.5%
Sri Lanka	22,200,000	15,100,000	68.0%
Cambodia	17,100,000	14,700,000	86.0%
South Korea	51,600,000	12,800,000	24.8%
India	1,430,000,000	10,200,000	0.7%
Taiwan	23,500,000	6,200,000	26.4%
United States	335,000,000	4,600,000	1.4%
Laos	7,700,000	4,100,000	53.2%
Nepal	30,500,000	3,900,000	12.8%
Mongolia	3,500,000	2,000,000	57.1%



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