

A month of petitions for China

In this guide are simple petitions to ask our God to bring more in China to faith in Jesus, to strengthen the faith of the believers who live there, and to empower us to share Jesus with them.

We suggest that you include one petition each day of the month in your daily prayers.

Prayer for China is important. Officially, 90% of China's 1.4 billion people are not Christians. Their need for the gospel is staggering.

Jesus promises, "Ask and it will be given to you; seek and you will find; knock and the door will be opened to you" (Matthew 7:7). Knock on heaven's door and ask that growing numbers of Chinese souls are granted entry.

Thank you!

Where to use this guide

These petitions may be used in Lutheran schools, in all levels of Bible studies, as well as in family and personal devotions.

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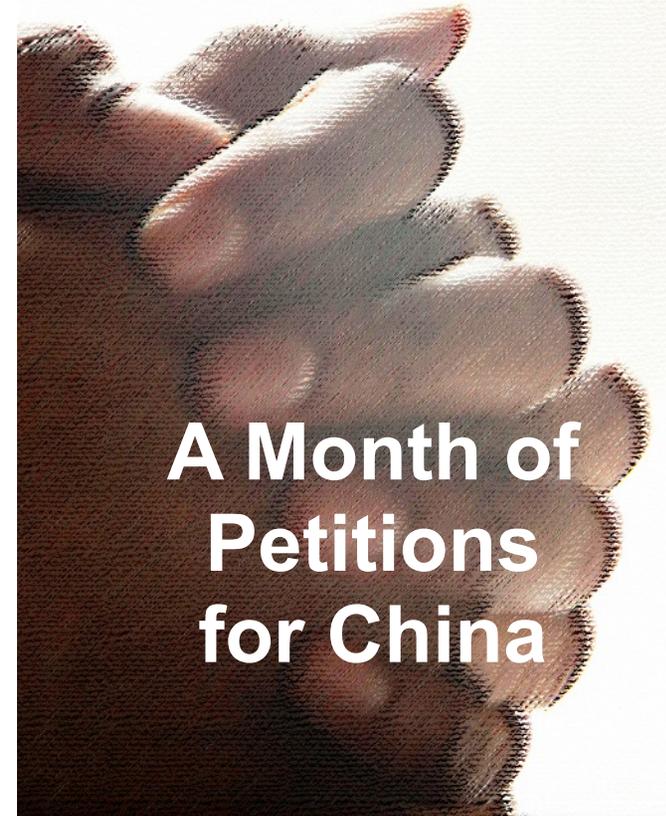
the gospel to the Chinese people by empowering Chinese church leaders through Scripture study. We provide a thorough online curriculum for these leaders. We network our students so they continue their journey toward Confessional Lutheranism and so they can care for each other. We have begun designing a program that will instruct Christians in China to teach, in a private setting, Bible stories to children. The government there has made traditional Sunday school programs illegal.

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To use this prayer guide (1) Find the day of the month.
 (2) Use the prayer thought in that box to direct your prayer.
 (3) If you miss a day, catch up when you begin again.

During 2021, *Firmly Forward* describes 316NOW's approach to its *grace across China NOW* ministry. Please ask the Holy Spirit to enable us to move *Firmly Forward*.



<p>1 Bring more in China to trust Jesus as their Savior, to follow him, and to dedicate their lives to sharing him with others.</p>	<p>2 Moved by your love, empower Chinese Christians to overcome their fears and to live securely in the guarantees of your promises.</p>	<p>3 Remind believers in China that Jesus is the unshakable foundation for all your promises through this life and forever.</p>	<p>4 Work faith in the hearts of growing numbers of China's citizens so they joyfully look forward to the Savior's return.</p>	<p>5 Since Jesus has removed the sins of all people, bring all the people of China to find eternal peace in your grace.</p>
<p>6 Continue to bless the spread of the gospel in China so that millions more may be certain of heaven through Christ Jesus.</p>	<p>7 Keep your people in China focused on the prize of heaven that Jesus has won so they press on through struggle and pain.</p>	<p>8 Strengthen the faith of Chinese Christians by your Word so they are confident and bold when they ask for your blessings.</p>	<p>9 Give Christians in China the certainty that, because Jesus rules forever, they have everlasting victory.</p>	<p>10 Because of my forgiveness in Jesus, prompt me to seek ways your Spirit might use me to bring your gospel to more in China.</p>
<p>11 Remind believers in China of your loving care and guidance in their lives, especially when they face persecution.</p>	<p>12 Help every redeemed soul in China to rejoice in the loved and adopted relationship you have given them in Jesus.</p>	<p>13 Give your children in China the strength, perseverance, and patience to put your words into practice and so respond to your grace in your Son.</p>	<p>14 Remind Chinese Christians that you are their helper and that you are eager to use your strength to save them from all evil.</p>	<p>15 Thank you that your mercy on the people of China was assured when you held your Son responsible for all their sins.</p>
<p>16 Through your baptismal promise of washing from sin and adoption in your family, give the believers in China joy, peace, and commitment to live for you.</p>	<p>17 Use your powerful Word to demonstrate how limitless your grace is as your Spirit works unfettered throughout China.</p>	<p>18 Stand as a mighty, walled fortress between your people in China and anything that would rob them of the joys of the life to come.</p>	<p>19 Grant rest to the Christians in China as you point them to our Savior's cross that guarantees forgiveness and salvation.</p>	<p>20 When you allow tears in the lives of Chinese Christians, point them to how life here ultimately ends in triumph because of Jesus.</p>
<p>21 Remind your people in China, when it seems that their sins have triumphed, that in Jesus they are more than conquerors.</p>	<p>22 Empower believers in China to say, "Through Jesus you are my loving Father. In times of peace or peril, I will praise you."</p>	<p>23 Bring your sons and daughters in China to marvel that through Jesus they are your treasured possession.</p>	<p>24 Remind Christians in China of your devotion to them as you call their attention to all you have done to adopt them.</p>	<p>25 You have called and equipped me to share your gospel with others. Use me to bring that good news to millions in China.</p>
<p>26 Bring everyone in China to realize that Jesus is the only way to heaven, to thank you for his sacrifice, and to live for you.</p>	<p>27 Lead your forgiven people in China to thank you for Jesus' sacrifice as they show the same mercy to one another.</p>	<p>28 Provide the people of China with growing opportunities to hear and believe your Word.</p>	<p>29 Inspire your family in China to praise you because you have purchased and won them for yourself through Jesus.</p>	<p>30 Bring more Chinese to cherish your gospel and share it.</p>
		<p>31 Inspire every child of yours in China to focus solely on Jesus.</p>		