

# Prayer Diary: Central African Republic

## 17-23 August 2025



### Sunday 17 August

Pray Psalm 34:7 over Christians in the Central African Republic: 'The angel of the Lord encamps around those who fear him, and he delivers them.' Pray for the Lord's protection over all of CAR's citizens from armed groups, Russian mercenaries and the Central African Armed Forces – all of whom are responsible for violence against civilians.

### Monday 18 August

Russian mercenaries continue to commit severe human rights violations with impunity – eroding trust between citizens, especially those from minority religious communities. Pray that those responsible for these violations would be brought swiftly to justice.

### Tuesday 19 August

CAR is due to hold presidential elections in December. Violence escalated significantly ahead of the country's last elections in 2020, and the current president has supported a constitutional amendment that allows him to run for another term. Please pray that the election process is peaceful, transparent, inclusive and democratic.

### Wednesday 20 August

The town of Zemio in the southeast saw a significant outbreak of sectarian violence and hate speech in March 2025. Muslims and members of the Puel or Fulani ethnic groups were particularly targeted. Ask God to bring reconciliation and a lasting peace in Zemio, and throughout the country.

### Thursday 21 August

Pray today for those working for the UN Peacekeeping Mission in the country (MINUSCA), particularly after the killing of a Kenyan peacekeeper in March this year. May their presence in the country bring security and stability for communities in CAR.

### Friday 22 August

Today is the International Day Commemorating the Victims of Acts of Violence Based on Religion or Belief. Pray for the families of all those who lost their lives in CAR's violent civil war because of their religion or belief, asking God to bring them justice and comfort.

### Saturday 23 August

*Lord God, raise up peacemakers and democratically elected officials who would lead the Central African Republic to an inclusive and conflict-free future – one where the rights of all Central Africans are upheld and protected. Amen.*

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