

Prayer Diary: India

7-13 September 2025

Sunday 7 September

Since the Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP) came to power in 2014, there's been heightened hostility towards religious minorities in India. Pray that the government would implement protective measures for vulnerable communities, particularly Christians and Muslims, and ensure legal protection for places of worship.

Monday 8 September

Let Psalm 22:19 inspire your prayers for Christians in Chhattisgarh: 'But you, Lord, do not be far from me. You are my strength; come quickly to help me.' According to the United Christian Forum (a helpline for persecuted Christians), Chhattisgarh has emerged as a hotspot for targeted attacks on Christians.

Tuesday 9 September

On 12 April, six Christian families refused to renounce their faith under pressure from the village council in Sukma District, Chhattisgarh State. They were expelled from their homes for two days. Pray that this will not happen again; that the village council will respect the rights of everyone in this indigenous community.

Wednesday 10 September

Arunachal Pradesh is one of the latest states to adopt a controversial anti-conversion law across India. Pray for the repeal of all anti-conversion laws, which are currently in force in 11 states. As well as being unconstitutional, they are frequently used by far-right groups to justify harassment and attacks on religious minority communities.

Thursday 11 September

The radicalisation of India's youth is of serious concern. Most extremist Hindu nationalist groups have student wings, and young people are a major presence in many communal clashes between Hindus and Muslims. Pray for a generation of peacemakers and reconcilers to arise.

Friday 12 September

Censorship of the media and newspapers by political parties in India suppresses the realities of violations against minorities. Independent journalism often lacks adequate funding for advocates to speak out the truth. Pray for truth to prevail against any political ideology which would seek to conceal violations.

Saturday 13 September

Lord, we call for constructive relationships between different religious groups to be restored and for a renewed sense of unity. Please protect all who are in danger because of their beliefs in India. Thank you for all who advocate for their safety and freedom. Amen.

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