

## {going} prayer guide

*it matters not the words you say, but the posture of the heart. this is simply a guide.  
use this guide prior to your short-term mission experience whether you get there by car, van, plane or  
boat. day 30 is 30 days out. day 1 is the day before the trip. consider having a few close friends and  
family pray this for you as well. that's intercession. pray it for yourself. that's petition. and when You see  
God move. give Him praise. that's adoration.*

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### **day 30:**

God, thank you for the honor it will be to go on this trip. Thank you for stirring something within me. Though I can't see all that You're going to do, I begin with gratitude.

### **day 29:**

Lord, let everything I do on this trip flow out of my heart for You so that no one, no experience takes the place of You.

### **day 28:**

God, while I'm away from routine and what's comfortable, reveal Yourself to me. I've got more time than normal to be still and listen. I'm open to what You want to teach me.

### **day 27:**

Savior, I thank You that I have a story to tell because of what You've done in me. Give me courage to tell this story. And may I do so in such a way that is clear and draws others to You.

### **day 26:**

Sovereign Lord, You have a purpose and a plan for the days of our trip. You have already walked before us and prepared the way. May we be found faithful to follow You.

### **day 25:**

God Almighty, encourage the hearts of those going on this trip. Provide for them financially. Give them favor with those they work for and their friends and family. Prepare their hearts for this trip.

### **day 24:**

Jesus, You have all authority on earth and in heaven. You can overcome any sicknesses, political issues, persecution, and evil forces. I surrender and submit to Your authority.

**day 23:**

Jesus, I pray in accordance to Your Word and ask that You create in me a heart of a servant. I read and pray Philippians 2:1-11 now...

“So if there is any encouragement in Christ, any comfort from love, any participation in the Spirit, any affection and sympathy, complete my joy by being of the same mind, having the same love, being in full accord and of one mind. Do nothing from selfish ambition or conceit, but in humility count others more significant than yourselves. Let each of you look not only to his own interests, but also to the interests of others. Have this mind among yourselves, which is yours in Christ Jesus, who, though he was in the form of God, did not count equality with God a thing to be grasped, but emptied himself, by taking the form of a servant, being born in the likeness of men. And being found in human form, he humbled himself by becoming obedient to the point of death, even death on a cross. Therefore God has highly exalted him and bestowed on him the name that is above every name, so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.”

**day 22:**

God, You are at work where I am going, no doubt. Would you make the people dependent upon You? Would you supply their needs and give root to the good taking place there.

**day 21:**

Father, give strength to the missionaries and local Christian leaders and pastors. Increase their platform. Give them favor among the local and national government. Broaden their voice that speaks for You. May they know You are very present today.

**day 20:**

Savior, unify our team. We are a variety of people with different backgrounds, gifts, and personalities! You are what we have in common. Bring our hearts and minds together to accomplish Your purpose in and through us.

**day 19:**

Sweet Jesus, refine me. Chisel away that in me that does not satisfy. Purify my heart. Forgive me of my sins. Begin a new work in me.

**day 18:**

Merciful God, hurting and pain are all around. I don't have to leave my town to know that. Yet what I know is that You give hope, healing, peace, and eternal life. May I relish in Your care and may You heal our land.

**day 17:**

God, may every encounter I have with the locals be an encouragement to what they are doing well. Fill my mouth with grace and self-control. Speak through me that I may be Your mouthpiece to tell of Your great promises and truths.

**day 16:**

Savior, open my ears to receive encouragement from those I am going to see. May their lives of faith shake my world that I speak gratefulness to the brothers and sisters who are living for You.

**day 15:**

Abba Father, give the children a hope and a future. May they look to You as their Father and find their salvation in You. Mend broken families. Break the cycle of poverty. Strengthen education.

**day 14:**

God, give our leaders clarity how to further partner with those we are going to serve. Strengthen the bond we have together.

**day 13:**

Great God, the Gospel changes everything. I am proof! May Your Gospel go forth into the uttermost parts of the world. May it be spoken among every tribe and people and every race. May it be declared in every neighborhood and community in America.

**day 12:**

Jesus, You empower. Empower the people and the culture to use their skills and gifts to benefit their community, their country, their fellow man. May they work together to see strongholds broken and captives set free.

**day 11:**

Lord, I commit to opening and reading the Bible on this trip. I know a busy schedule and team devotional time can seem satisfactory. Give me a hunger and thirst for Your Word.

**day 10:**

Father, where I am going is different from here. Give me an appreciation for how cultures live & worship differently and may I celebrate Your creativity among Your people.

**day 9:**

Jesus, Cornerstone. Grow Your church universal. Grow Your church where I live. Grow Your church where I am going.

**day 8:**

Savior, deliver me from doubt, from apathy, from fear, from pressures. Man might try to discourage me from going. Work might be stacking up. Stress can be increasing at home. My hope is in You.

**day 7:**

Heavenly Father, recenter me on You. Focus my eyes on You. Remind me that my identity is found in You and I serve others out of that identity.

**day 6:**

Lord Jesus, the days are drawing nearer. I ask again that You align my heart and the hearts of the team with Yours. Unify us. Solidify travel details. Be our Guide. Be our Center.

**day 5:**

Almighty God, I'm about to say good-bye to people close to me for a short time. Keep us mindful and sensitive towards our different experiences. Prompt our hearts to intercede for each other.

**day 4:**

King of all kings, You deserve to be worshipped and adored. I know not everyone I encounter is living in Your light and knows Your truth. Dispel the darkness, set captives free in the land where I am going.

**day 3:**

Abba Father, help me to remember what I need to bring on this trip. Lead me to what I need to pack. And as I fill my suitcase, make me truly grateful for having more than I ever need.

**day 2:**

God, You will open my eyes to new things, new experiences, new friendships. I want to see more clearly how You are working around the world. Show me how You want me to respond.

**day 1:**

Abba Father, give me rest today. Quiet my heart. Remove my fears. Hold my hand as I embark on this journey. I trust You. I need You.

**and may this be your prayer on the trip:**

God, I give Your praise. You are a great God with global purposes. Open the eyes of my heart, Lord. I want to see You. I want to see this place the way You see it - beautiful and broken. I want to love the people like You love them. By Your power and Your strength, equip me to display Your Truth. Move among this place.

**and may this be your prayer when you return:**

Wow, God! I'm overwhelmed with what my eyes did see and my heart did feel and what You've done in me while away. Show me now how to live this transformed life here at home. May it not be vain. Help me as I interact with friends and family who are experiencing a "changed" me. Help me rebuke the lies from Satan that will discourage me. Lead me in the way You would have me go from here. And protect and provide for the people that I have grown to love in the place from where I just returned.