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# Global Prayer Alert

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## **Revival in the Body of Christ**

Your words were found, and I ate them, and Your word, was to me the joy and rejoicing of my heart; for I am called by Your name, O Lord God of hosts. (**Jer.15:16**). Our identity in Christ is constantly tested. This is one of the enemy's greatest tactics. He even used it when Jesus was tempted in the wilderness. Jesus overcame his evil plan by withstanding him with the Word of God, saying "It is written..." The only way for us to stand firm is by spending time in God's word, so that even when trying times come, our hearts will rejoice in Him. **Heavenly Father thank You for Your written Word. Help us to make time for Your Word and allow Your word to convert our souls. (Ps.19:7-11).**

## **Testimony: Thousands dream of Jesus**

In Tehran, the capital of Iran, thousands of Muslims have become Jesus followers over the last months. They gather illegally in house churches. This is reported by an Iranian pastor, living in exile in Germany. Iranian friends have told her that Jesus appeared to people in dreams, and in a number of cases sick people were surprisingly healed. The new believers in Iran take courage and speak about their faith more publicly. It is estimated that in Tehran alone there are now more than 100,000 Christians. At the same time, the oppression is increasing. Muslims who confess Jesus are arrested and tortured without any reason. Some of them are missing without a trace. (E-mail: [info@joelnews.org](mailto:info@joelnews.org), 22/04/10). **Thank God for what He is doing amongst the Muslims. Pray for the Persecuted Church of Iran. Pray that believers will remain firm in their faith in this trying time.**

## **Pray for your community: Suicide**

Approximately one million people in the world commit suicide every year. For the group 15-34 years of age, suicide is today one of the three leading causes of death in all countries. It is uncertain how many suicide attempts there are for each suicide death. Different studies estimate a number between 10 and 20. In general, there are more attempts per suicide among women and younger people. Research also show that around 80 percent of attempted suicides among young people are preceded by clear warning signs. (Website: <http://web4health.info/en/answers/bipolar-suicide-statistics>, 22/04/10). **Ask God to deliver those who have attempted to take their own lives. Ask God to silence every voice that is tempting people with phrases like, "You are worth nothing", etc. Ask God's truth to set every captive free from the claws of premature death.**

## **South Africa: Fighting Child Pornography**

The *Home Affairs Department* says it will spend R15 million on a public awareness campaign aimed at protecting children against paedophiles and child pornography in the run-up to the Soccer World Cup. The move is in line with the Films and Publications Amendment Act, which makes the use of children in pornography a crime. (Website: <http://www.sabcnews.co.za/portal/site/SABCNews/menuitem.5c4f8fe7ee929f602ea12ea1674daeb9/?vgnextoid=ec598904adff7210VgnVCM10000077d4ea9bRCRD&vgnnextfmt=default&channelPath=South Africa >> Social, 15/04/10>). **Praise God for the people in leadership of this nation who are willing to fight on behalf of the innocent and vulnerable. Pray that South Africans will keep watch over this situation in prayer and fasting.**

## **International: 90-day Fast for nation**

In 2009, Ernest Bai Koroma, the Christian president of Sierra Leone, called his nation to a 90-day fast. At the end of that season, in a full stadium, in a ceremony attended by both Christian and Muslim leaders, he dedicated Sierra Leone to God. This year he called for a second 90-day fast, starting April 20 and ending July 19, 2010. This time he considers covenanting his nation with God. This is reported by Dutch prayer leader Pieter Bos, who was invited over to help with the preparations for the nationwide fast. Muslim leaders were very supportive for the prayer initiative and eagerly asked our team to pray for them. We made a 1,400-km. trip through the country, spoke to the president, three government ministers, five mayors, many tribal chiefs and spiritual leaders in eight cities. Pieter could explain the Biblical meaning of covenanting with God, the importance of repentance, prayer and unity. Ten years after the civil war, this is a new season for Sierra Leone. (E-mail: [missionscatalyst@calebresources.org](mailto:missionscatalyst@calebresources.org), 21/04/10). **Thank God for the new season in Sierra Leone. Ask God to reveal His truth to every leader by the working of His Holy Spirit. Pray that no person will be untouched by the working of God's power for the duration of the fast and even after that.**

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