



# 24:14 24:14 Inherit the Nations Training Packet

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**Dear Prayer Leader,**

**Thanks for applying to be part of 24:14 Inherit the Nations!** We're excited to partner with you in praying for the unreached and connecting with prayer ministries and mission groups around the world.

Before you adopt, please read this document, and share it with others on your prayer team. The material here is basic but will guide the next year of prayer and help prayer groups around the world to stay on the same page.

After reviewing these materials, respond to us via email and you'll be ready to adopt an unreached people or place and their related field team for prayer.

Yours for the harvest,

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## The Goal: United Prayer for the Fulfillment of the Great Commission

Jesus prophesies in Matthew 24:14, "*The gospel of the kingdom will be preached in all the world as a witness to all the nations, and then the end will come.*" Our task and joyful privilege as followers of Jesus is to bring the gospel to every corner of the world. Currently, there are over 7,000 unreached people groups, numbering nearly 3 billion people. In spite of the explosion of Christianity in the global south over the last century, this represents a monumental task that requires our united, coordinated efforts as followers of Jesus.

**Mission Begins in Prayer** as Jesus says, "The Harvest is plentiful, but the workers are few. Therefore, *pray to the Lord of the Harvest to thrust forth [ekballo] laborers into His Harvest.*" (Matt. 9:37-38). **The first step in reaching the unreached is prayer that God would thrust forth laborers to bring them the gospel.** David says it another way, "*Ask of Me, and I will give you the nations as your inheritance...*" (Psalm 2:8)

People are God's greatest prize—what greater inheritance could we desire than to see the nations of the earth birthed into the Kingdom of God?

In the past years, there has been an increased emphasis on prayer in the Body of Christ, with an explosion of prayer groups and houses of prayer throughout the nations of the earth. Is it not evident that *one of the major reasons for this unprecedented prayer movement* is to "pray the Lord of the Harvest to send forth laborers" *to finish the task of global evangelization* in preparation for Jesus' return?

**United, Focused Prayer** We pray for these things *in general*, but there's something special that happens in our hearts when we pray *specifically* and begin to intentionally *work together* on the monumental task of reaching the unreached. When we focus our prayers on a specific people group, we begin to hear God's heart for those people. They move from being mere statistics to being real people who, like us, desperately need to meet Jesus. *We have the privilege of laboring together with those called to live among a people, adding our focused intercession to theirs, believing that Jesus will soon gain his inheritance among them.*

**Fruitfulness flows from Unity:** As praying people, we have begun to understand that real fruitfulness in ministry flows from intimacy with Jesus Christ. He is the vine and we are the branches. We're increasingly discovering that as we are united with Christ (John 15), we're united to one another as well (John 17). Our unity with one another is one of the major conditions Jesus gives for successful witness. "Let them be one as we are one, so that the world may know that you sent me and have loved them even as you loved me." (John 17:23). 24:14 Inherit the Nations is a way for us to pray for missions in unity, allowing us to actively obey the Lord's wishes and multiply the impact of our prayers through intentional partnership.

The goal of 24:14 Inherit the Nations is to create partnerships between houses of prayer/prayer groups (across the nations) and teams of field workers who are living among or focused on an unreached people or place with the aim of igniting movements to Christ, disciples making disciples, fellowships birthing fellowships, and movements starting other movements to Christ. Our goal is to have prayer groups praying specifically for unreached people groups/unreached places over one year in close relationship with front line field teams putting feet to those prayers. What nations might we one day rejoice with before the throne because of this kind of prayer and partnership?

## 24:14 Inherit the Nations Commitments: What are we signing up for?

There are **four practical commitments** to 24:14 Inherit the Nations

- A weekly, local prayer meeting (1-hour minimum) dedicated to your unreached people group/unreached place (Note: It's okay to miss a week occasionally for holidays or travel—the point is that your regular, weekly rhythm includes praying for this unreached people or place)
- Keeping a prayer journal for your unreached people/place, sharing key points weekly or bi-weekly with your field team
- A monthly conference call (one member of your group) with other 24:14 Inherit the Nations partners
- Regular communication (preferably weekly or biweekly) with your field worker(s)/team. (Note: Field Workers are not always available but will be connecting as frequently as is practical.)

### The 5<sup>th</sup> Commitment

The most important commitment of 24:14 Inherit the Nations is this: **to carry a nation, a people that you've never met in your heart.** To be God's heart for a people far off, as it says in Isaiah 65:1, *"I was sought by those who did not ask for Me; I was found by those who did not seek Me. I said, 'Here I am, here I am!' to a nation that was not called by My name."*

It's our hope that the four "practical" commitments will continually empower and reinforce the 5<sup>th</sup> commitment of carrying a nation that has not heard the name "Jesus" in your heart! Speaking for our whole team, this is our foremost desire: that you'd absolutely fall in love with a nation who has never heard the name of Jesus Christ, and that, working through your love and prayers, the gospel would be declared to them.

## What is an Unreached People Group?

There is a lot of information available online about Unreached People Groups. In brief, an unreached people group is an ethnic group with a common culture that does not have enough followers of Christ and resources to evangelize its own people.

Please watch this 2-minute [Video!](#)

Visit [www.joshuaproject.net](http://www.joshuaproject.net) for more information on Unreached People Groups and to learn more about your adopted group. We can provide you with additional resources for research on your adopted unreached people/place at your request.

## Security: Safe communication with your field worker

The vast majority of these unreached people/places are in areas where it is dangerous to share the gospel. The following will give you some idea on how to keep your field worker safe.

**Every situation is unique so please consult your field worker to find out how you can communicate with them in ways that will not jeopardize their work. These guidelines are secondary to their unique concerns.**

### Security Issues in Communicating with Field Personnel in Sensitive Environments

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“Communication is the glue of relationships,” according to a well-known psychologist, and the world has exploded with means to carry on communications through electronic means of all sorts: e-mail, Skype, Twitter, Facebook, and so many more now make communicating easier and faster than ever before. But with this speed and accessibility come challenges, particularly as we would communicate with field missionaries working in security sensitive environments around the world.

As you engage directly with strategic field workers living in potentially hostile environments, it is of the utmost importance that you apply certain guidelines as you interact with them for their protection and the protection of their work among the least-reached people groups. Your commitment to listen to and learn from security concerns they have raised is extremely important to your ongoing relationship and your ability to partner with and serve them through prayer.

We know that many governments and religious groups are pro-actively seeking information about church and mission activities. Some security problems come from things like: publishing statistics on believers, baptisms, churches, cell groups and insensitive ‘research teams’ going into the countries of focus. This information gathering takes place both in their own country as well as in other countries including the United States.

We want to protect both the national believers and their expatriate partners, paying special attention to those living within the country. We may differ in our opinions on security issues, but we must have a common standard that is agreed upon in order to relate to one another with trust and confidence. Following are some of those standards:

- Use only a “secure” email service (this does not eliminate security concerns entirely, but it can help). Services such as Hotmail and Yahoo have not proven to be secure means of communicating in sensitive environments. Gmail is a better option, but there are free email services such as **Hushmail** that are more secure. Check with your field partner to see if he/she has a preference and then obtain and use a secure email service in order to communicate with your field partner.
- Even when using a “secure” email service please adhere to the following guidelines:
  - Never use specific names of people or places when referring to our work or the workers (use initials or nicknames).
  - Do not link specific people to specific locations
  - Disguise names of religious groups or Christian activities such as Isl\*m (in place of Islam), Ir\*q (in place of Iraq), pr-er (in place of prayer), etc.—this avoids emails being caught by systems scanning emails for certain key words. When in doubt, avoid specifics.
  - When replying to an email, delete the header information so as not to expose additional email names and addresses or avoid including the email to which you are replying. Especially avoid

long strings of email correspondence that may include people's names, emails and information you do not want being shared.

**Remember:** Clarify in advance the security guidelines preferred by your field team. In this way, you can be sure that you are operating within a level in which they feel comfortable.

- Regarding communication within your home country please adhere to the following:
  - Field-related information, presentations, photos, and information regarding church and mission activities should be considered confidential and should not be openly shared or reported on in written documents, emails, or public meetings and should not be posted on other websites or even bulletin boards in your church or prayer room.
  - Before reusing any correspondence, be sure to obtain the express written permission of the author first.
  - Names of workers, believers, agencies, or churches should not be given to others outside your prayer community without the prior approval of the person or agency.
  - Be sure to convey the security guidelines to any people who will have access to the information to be sure they understand the urgency and importance of keeping the confidentiality.
  - do not mention your partnership in any of your social networking (e.g Facebook, Twitter, etc.) communications, websites, emails, etc.
- You may use approved publicity materials available for your UPG to mobilize resources, workers, and increased prayer. Check with your field team to access this type of information which can be publicly posted and shared readily. This usually will not mention anything about workers or believers in this people group but will be generic, publicly available information about the people group, their lives and ways to pray specifically for God's work among them without identifying particular efforts underway.

If you have questions, do not hesitate to consult the leaders of the Inherit the Nation Project. Thank you for honoring these security guidelines and helping others to understand and adhere to them as well!