

Partners Praying Together



June 2021 – Covid-19 Special Edition

BECAUSE OF THE RAPID CHANGES brought on by the Covid-19 pandemic across the globe much of ABM's normal project work has been disrupted. Because of that, we have asked our Overseas Partners to supply us with prayer points that reflect the situation in their country. Included in this edition of *Partners Praying Together* are the prayer points that we have received. We have included these so that you can show prayerful concern for them as they, who like us are 'wearied by the changes and chances of this fleeting world' (as the prayer from Compline puts it), adjust to living in a time of global pandemic. You'll also find the usual things we would normally have: the feasts and commemorations from the lectionary, the Australian Cycle of Prayer, and commemorations from the United Nations calendar. All the material is designed to inform your prayers for our Overseas Partners, the bishops and dioceses of our Church and for wider global concerns. With the Psalmist let us pray, 'Let my prayer be counted as incense before you, Lord, and the lifting up of my hands as an evening sacrifice' (141.2).

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Who are ABM's Overseas Partners?

THIS MONTH WE ARE ASKING YOU not only to remember our each of our Australian dioceses as they grapple with the Covid-19 pandemic, but also each of our Overseas Partners as they deal with it too. Our Overseas Partners consist of Activity Partners (with whom we currently have joint activities), Relational Partners (with whom we have historical relationships) and Networking Partners (with whom we work overseas, or with whom we share information). We have, as the well-used Anglican phrase describes it, strong *bonds of affection* for all of them. Because our overseas work involves both the Church, through our Church-to-Church Unit, and communities, through our Anglicans in Development Unit, we often relate to our partners both through the Church itself and through a particular Church's community development arm. So, as you pray, we ask you to remember each of our Partners (and their community development arms) some of whom are more able to weather through the coronavirus storm than others:

Activity Partners

1. The Anglican Church of Kenya (*ADS-Eastern, a branch of the Anglican Church of Kenya's Anglican Development Services*)
2. The Anglican Church of Melanesia (*The Anglican Church of Melanesia's Board of Mission*)
3. The Anglican Church of Papua New Guinea (*Anglicare-PNG, a community development organization of the Anglican Church of Papua New Guinea*)
4. The Church of the Province of Central Africa (*the Zambia Anglican Council's Outreach Program*)
5. The Church of the Province of Myanmar (Burma) (*the CPM's Development Desk, and the diocesan Development Desks*)
6. The Episcopal Church in the Philippines (*E-CARE, a community development organization of the ECP*)
7. The Episcopal Church of Jerusalem and the Middle East (*the Diocese of Jerusalem's Development Desk*)
8. The Philippine Independent Church – *Iglesia Filipina Independiente, IFI* (*VIMROD – the Visayas-Mindanao Regional Office for Development of the IFI*)

Relational Partners

9. The Amity Foundation – an expression of the National Committee of the Three-Self Patriotic Movement of the Protestant Churches in China
10. The Anglican Church in Aotearoa New Zealand and Polynesia (*Anglican Missions Board, AMB*)
11. The Anglican Church of Hong Kong, the *Hong Kong Sheng Kung Hui* 香港聖公會
12. The Anglican Church of Japan, the *Nippon Sei Ko Kai* 日本聖公会
13. The Anglican Church of Korea
14. The Church of Bangladesh
15. The Church of Ceylon
16. The Church of North India
17. The Church of Pakistan

18. The Church of South India
19. The Church of the Province of South East Asia (covers Malaysia and Singapore)
20. The Episcopal Church of South Sudan (*the Church's Health Commission, the Education Commission, and the Development and Relief Agency, SUDRA*)
21. The Episcopal Church of Sudan

Networking Partners

22. Episcopal Relief and Development (USA)
23. The Primate's World Relief and Development Fund (Canada)
24. USPG (UK and Ireland)
25. Anglican Alliance for Development, Relief and Advocacy
26. Anglican Discipleship – Jesus-Shaped Life
27. CAPA, the Council of Anglican Provinces of Africa
28. The Mothers' Union

Please remember all our partners in your prayers. Whether they are in Port Moresby, London or Seoul, they need our prayers.

Information from our Partners regarding Covid-19 will be put up on our website as it comes to hand.

EACH DAY THIS MONTH

✠ *ABM Prayer Theme: Pray for all those affected by the Coronavirus disease (Covid-19) whether here in Australia, within ABM's Overseas Partners, or beyond – for the souls of all who have died; for the families and friends they have left behind; for the sick; for those so overwhelmed by anxiety that they have resorted to panic buying and hoarding; for children who are now scared of dying; for those in self-isolation or in quarantine; for those unable to work from home; for those whose businesses have been negatively affected; for those whose income is now reduced or who have been laid off; for those more susceptible to the disease – whether by age or underlying medical condition; for those who are unable, for any reason, to worship in their churches or synagogues, mosques or temples. Give thanks for all the doctors, nurses, and other medical staff who are tending to the sick; for the epidemiologists and other scientists who are working towards a vaccine; for those who show kindness to others through 'social distancing', through buying groceries for the elderly, or through phone calls to the isolated; for all those businesses who are able to let their staff work from home; for those who have been buying responsibly in the supermarkets; for those churches who are finding creative ways to engage in worship and prayer online or outside; for all who minister to others in Christ's name in this season of anxiety*

Prayer Points

from our

Overseas Partners

The Anglican Church of Aotearoa, New Zealand, and Polynesia

- ✦ We continue to pray for the Anglican church in Fiji as it comes out of a recent lockdown aimed at curbing the spread of Covid. Thank you for the leadership role that the Church has in so many communities and for the effectiveness of its response to recent weather events.
- ✦ We pray for regional leaders who participated in the recent Commonwealth Pacific Leaders Regional Roundtable meeting (Fiji, Samoa, Tonga, Vanuatu, Solomon Islands, PNG and of course Australia and New Zealand) as they commit to building sustainable and resilient economies in the face of pandemics and climate change.
- ✦ We continue to pray for India as it grapples with the impact of Covid-19 and for families who have lost loved ones. Show us how we can share Christ's love and hope with Indian communities in New Zealand.
- ✦ We pray for medical staff at the Al-Ahli Arab Hospital in Gaza. The Hospital is under considerable strain given the ongoing hostilities and Anglican Missions has launched an appeal to raise money to help fund urgently needed medical supplies. We thank you that the Hospital is such a significant Christian witness and continues to be a beacon of hope in these tragic times.
- ✦ We pray for agencies helping children living in poverty in New Zealand and we give thanks for new funding from this week's Budget aimed at helping the most vulnerable.

The Anglican Church of Korea

- ✦ Pray for the newly ordained seven priests and three deacons.
- ✦ Pray for the joint meeting of the Korean-Japanese Anglican Church on 26 May.
- ✦ Pray for Christians to cooperate in protecting the seas from radioactive contamination.

- ✦ Pray for Sister Prisc, who will return to the Holy Cross Community in Myanmar on 15 June.
- ✦ Pray for the 15 female priests in Korea, particularly for the Rev. Catherine Min, who celebrates the 20th anniversary of ordination.
- ✦ Pray for the Anglican Newspaper and the Anglican University.

The Church of the Province of South-East Asia

- ✦ We thank the Lord for his grace in rolling out vaccination program.
- ✦ Pray for the nations of our Province, especially Singapore and Malaysia as number of Covid-19 cases spiked recently. Ask the Lord to intervene, grant wisdom and boldness to national leaders, to do the right things, not just the popular things, to combat fresh waves of infection.
- ✦ Pray for all those whose livelihoods are affected, especially those in lower income groups, day-wage work, tourism industries and tourism related, import-export, etc. Pray for God's mercy and intervention for our members whose businesses and jobs have been adversely affected by the current pandemic.
- ✦ Pray for racial and religious harmony and peace in the region especially against the backdrop of conflicts in the Middle East.
- ✦ Pray for the Church to display the wisdom of God through the witness of our actions, attitudes, decisions and words, mission and ministry to the world around us. Pray for the Church to demonstrate the power of God over Darkness, exhibit grace, maturity, love and sensitivity in advancing Christ's Kingdom. Ask for wisdom upon Church leaders in handling sensitive issues in the nations and the society.

The Episcopal Church of Jerusalem and the Middle East

- ✦ Pray for all communities in Israel / Palestine who have suffered grievously in the recent shocking, extreme, and unjustified violence
- ✦ Pray for those who live confined in Gaza, mourning deaths, injuries, and massive destruction of homes and much more
- ✦ Pray for an end to political provocation and the mobilization of extremists for cynical political gain
- ✦ Pray for Archbishop Hosam Naoum, newly enthroned as Anglican Bishop in Jerusalem, his wife Raza, and their children
- ✦ Pray for Iran and for Cyprus and the Gulf, the other two dioceses in this Province.

The Episcopal Church of South Sudan

- ✚ Thank God because the number of new cases of Covid-19 infections seems to be descending lately in South Sudan.
- ✚ Thank God for the few people who have taken their first doses of vaccine for Covid-19, with no side effects.
- ✚ Thank God for the election, consecration and enthronement of the second Internal Archbishop of Upper Nile Internal Province, the Most Revd Joseph Atem Garang.
- ✚ Pray for donation of more doses of vaccines for the elderly and the most vulnerable.
- ✚ Pray as the church prepares to celebrate the Pentecost day, may the Lord again revisit the dry places and pour his Spirit to awaken and refresh the church.
- ✚ Pray for South Sudanese today to have an opportunity to hear the gospel for salvation. May God strengthen believers not to be ashamed to proclaim the gospel.
- ✚ Continue to pray for the remaining outstanding issues in the Revitalized Peace agreement to be implemented. The Country desperately desires total peace and security, praying that the Lord will remove all obstacles hindering the Peace process in Jesus name.
- ✚ Pray for the Christian religious leaders, the shepherds and evangelists for their hard work throughout the country, praying always for the world.

香港聖公會

The Hong Kong Sheng Kung Hui The Anglican Church of Hong Kong

- ✚ Pray for the revival of the Church in the Pentecost season, and more active participation of the faithful in the ministries after the resumption of open public services and group activities in the Church.
- ✚ Pray for the youth ministry and discipleship-making.
- ✚ Pray for the preventive measures against COVID-19 in the community, the people's receptiveness to take vaccination.
- ✚ Pray for the reconciliation among people who hold different political views, the rebuilding of mutual trust and respect, and God's healings of this city.
- ✚ Pray for the awareness and smooth implementation of the Safeguarding Policy across the Province.
- ✚ Pray for the work being carried out to set up the Missionary Area of Macau as a missionary diocese and for the ministry in Macau.

日本聖公会
The Nippon Sei Ko Kai
The Anglican Communion in Japan

- ✦ Give thanks for the ministry of the NSKK House of Bishops, and pray for wisdom and insight as they meet this month
- ✦ As the NSKK sets aside time to pray for the environment (6 June); and for a world without nuclear power (6-12 June); pray that the Japanese church might strive to live out the fifth Anglican Mark of Mission as it promotes care for God's creation
- ✦ Give thanks for the work of the NSKK safeguarding committee, and pray for their upcoming training sessions; that more people may become aware of the risks and help the church to provide a true safe haven for those in need
- ✦ Please pray for the people of Okinawa as they continue to struggle to overcome the legacy of conflict in their islands, and also living with the large presence of American military forces
- ✦ Give thanks for the continuing vaccine rollout in Japan - with three makers now approved for use - and pray for the central and prefectural governments to find ways to expedite this further; especially in those areas which are still under States of Emergency
- ✦ As the rainy season starts, almost a month early, please pray for all those who work outside and for those without a roof over their heads; that the church may find new ways to minister to them and care for them

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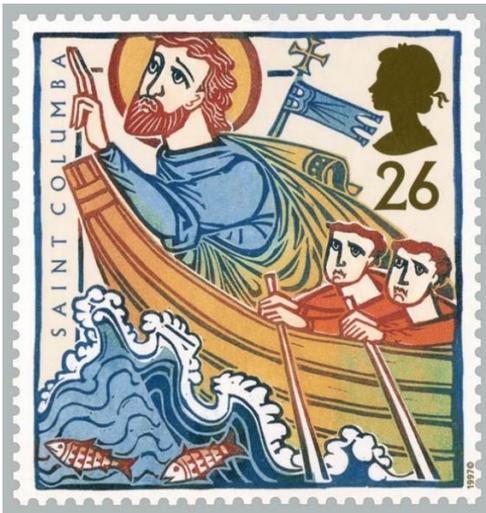
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June	Lectionary and ABM Commemorations and the Australian Cycle of Prayer	ABM Partner + development arm – where appropriate	UN Days see www.un.org/en/observances/international-days-and-weeks for more information about each
Tue 1	Justin, martyr at Rome († ca. 167) <i>Week of Prayer for Reconciliation continues</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Anglican Church of Australia; The Primate – Archbishop Geoffrey Smith; the General Secretary – Anne Hywood; the General Synod and the Standing Committee 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Anglican Church of Kenya <i>ADS-Eastern, a branch of the Anglican Church of Kenya’s Anglican Development Services</i> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Global Day of Parents World Food Safety Day
Wed 2	<i>Week of Prayer for Reconciliation continues</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Diocese of Adelaide – Archbishop Geoffrey Smith, his assistant bishops, clergy and people 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Anglican Church of Melanesia <i>The ACOM Board of Mission</i> 	
Thu 3	Thanksgiving for the Holy Communion John XXIII, Bishop of Rome, reformer († 1963) Janani Luwum, Archbishop of Uganda, martyr († 1977) <i>Week of Prayer for Reconciliation ends today</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Diocese of Armidale – Bishop Rod Chiswell, the clergy and people 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Anglican Church of Papua New Guinea <i>Anglicare-PNG, a community development organization of the Anglican Church of Papua New Guinea</i> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> World Bicycle Day

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Fri 4	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Diocese of Ballarat – Bishop Garry Weatherill, the clergy and people 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Church of the Province of Central Africa <i>The Zambia Anglican Council's Outreach Program</i> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> International Day of Innocent Child Victims of Aggression
Sat 5	<p>Boniface of Mainz, bishop and martyr († 754)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Diocese of Bathurst – Bishop Mark Calder, the clergy and people. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Church of the Province of Myanmar <i>CPM's Development Desk, and the diocesan Development Desks</i> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> World Environment Day International Day for the Fight against Illegal, Unreported and Unregulated Fishing
Sun 6	<p>Pentecost 2 [Ordinary Sunday 10]</p> <p>The Diocese of Bendigo – Bishop Matt Brain, the clergy and people</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Episcopal Church in the Philippines <i>E-CARE, a community development organization of the ECP</i> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Russian Language Day
Mon 7	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Diocese of Brisbane – Archbishop Phillip Aspinall, the regional bishops, clergy and people 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Episcopal Church of Jerusalem and the Middle East <i>The Diocese of Jerusalem's Development Desk</i> <p>See p. 5</p>	

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Tue 8	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Diocese of Bunbury – Bishop Ian Coutts, the clergy and people 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Philippine Independent Church – (<i>Iglesia Filipina Independiente, IFI</i>) <i>VIMROD – the Visayas-Mindanao Regional Office for Development of the IFI</i>) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> World Oceans Day
Wed 9	<p>Columba of Iona, abbot and missionary († 597)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Diocese of Canberra and Goulburn – Bishop Mark Short, the Assistant Bishop, the clergy and people 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Amity Foundation – an expression of the National Committee of the Three-Self Patriotic Movement of the Protestant Churches in China 	
Thu 10	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ministry to the Forces – Bishop Grant Dibden, chaplains and members of the Armed Forces 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Anglican Church in Aotearoa, New Zealand and Polynesia <i>Anglican Missions Board, AMB</i> <p>See p. 4</p>	
Fri 11	<p>Barnabas, apostle and martyr</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Diocese of Gippsland – Bishop Richard Treloar, the clergy and people 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Anglican Church of Hong Kong (<i>Hong Kong Sheng Kung Hui</i> 香港聖公會) <p>See p. 6</p>	

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Sat 12	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Diocese of Grafton – Bishop Murray Harvey, the clergy and people 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Anglican Church of Japan (<i>Nippon Sei Ko Kai</i> 日本聖公会) <p>See p. 7</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> World Day Against Child Labour
Sun 13	Pentecost 3 [Ordinary Sunday 11] <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ministry with the Aboriginal People of Australia – Bishop Chris McLeod, Aboriginal clergy and people 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Anglican Church of Korea <p>See p. 4</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> International Albinism Awareness Day
Mon 14	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ministry with the Torres Strait Islander People of Australia – Torres Strait clergy and people 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Church of Bangladesh 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> World Blood Donor Day
Tue 15	Evelyn Underhill, spiritual writer († 1941) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Diocese of Melbourne – Archbishop Philip Freier, the regional bishops, clergy and people 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Church of Ceylon 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> World Elder Abuse Awareness Day
Wed 16	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Diocese of Newcastle – Bishop Peter Stuart, the regional bishops, clergy and people 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Church of North India 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> International Day of Family Remittances
Thu 17	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Diocese of North Queensland – Bishop Keith Joseph, the clergy and people 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Church of Pakistan 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> World Day to Combat Desertification and Drought

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Fri 18	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Diocese of North West Australia – Bishop Garry Nelson, the clergy and people 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Church of South India 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Sustainable Gastronomy Day
Sat 19	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Diocese of Perth – Archbishop Kay Goldsworthy, the regional bishops, clergy and people 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Church of the Province of South-East Asia (covers Malaysia and Singapore, with missionary congregations in Nepal, Indonesia, Thailand and some parts of Indo-China) <p>See p. 5</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> International Day for the Elimination of Sexual Violence in Conflict
Sun 20	<p>Pentecost 4 [Ordinary Sunday 12]</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Diocese of the Riverina – Bishop Donald Kirk, the clergy and people 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Episcopal Church of South Sudan <i>The Church’s Health Commission, the Education Commission, and the Development and Relief Agency, SUDRA</i> <p>See p. 6</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> World Refugee Day
Mon 21	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Diocese of Rockhampton – Bishop Peter Grice, the clergy and people 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Episcopal Church of Sudan 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> International Day of Yoga International Day of the Celebration of the Solstice

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Tue 22	<p>Alban, first British martyr († ca. 209)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Diocese of Sydney – Archbishop Kanishka Raffel, the regional bishops, clergy and people The work and witness of St Alban’s Cathedral, Griffith 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> NATSIAC, the National Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Anglican Council 	
Wed 23	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Diocese of Tasmania – Bishop Richard Conde, the Assistant Bishop, clergy and people 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Nungalinya College, Darwin 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> United Nations Public Service Day International Widows' Day
Thu 24	<p>The Birth of John the Baptist</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Diocese of the Murray – Bishop Keith Dalby, the clergy and people The work and witness of St John the Baptist’s Cathedral, Murray Bridge 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Wontulp-Bi-Buya College, Cairns 	
Fri 25	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Diocese of the Northern Territory – Bishop Greg Anderson, the clergy and people 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Episcopal Relief and Development (USA) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Day of the Seafarer
Sat 26	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Diocese of Wangaratta – Bishop Clarence Bester, the clergy and people. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Primate’s World Relief and Development Fund (Canada) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> International Day against Drug Abuse and Illicit Trafficking United Nations International Day in Support of Victims of Torture

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Sun 27	Pentecost 5 [Ordinary Sunday 13] <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Diocese of Willochra – Bishop John Stead, the clergy and people 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> USPG (UK and Ireland) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Micro-, Small and Medium-sized Enterprises Day
Mon 28	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Anglicare Australia: Chair, Bishop Chris Jones; Executive Director, Kasy Chambers 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Anglican Alliance for Development, Relief and Advocacy 	
Tue 29	Peter and Paul, apostles and martyrs <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Theological Colleges and Church Schools of the Anglican Church of Australia The work and witness of cathedrals dedicated to St Peter (Adelaide and Armidale) or St Paul (Bendigo, Gippsland, Melbourne and Rockhampton) or to both (Willochra) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Anglican Discipleship – Jesus-Shaped Life 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> International Day of the Tropics
Wed 30	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Mission Agencies of the Anglican Church of Australia 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> CAPA, the Council of Anglican Provinces of Africa 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> International Asteroid Day International Day of Parliamentarism

Omissions and displacements in June this year –

13 June: Anthony of Padua, missionary and preacher († 1231)

27 June: Cyril of Alexandria, bishop and teacher († 444)

Let us pray for our sisters and brothers throughout the world ...

Peace, peace, to the far and the near, says the Lord; and I will heal them – Isaiah 57.19

WE PRAY FOR OUR SISTERS AND BROTHERS IN AFRICA, where there have been 4,695,132 cases; the five countries reporting most cases are South Africa (1,613,728), Morocco (514,944), Tunisia (327,473), Ethiopia (266,264) and Egypt (245,721).

Spare your people, O Lord,
And heal them by your mighty power.

WE PRAY FOR OUR SISTERS AND BROTHERS IN THE AMERICAS, where there have been 65,431,924 cases; the five countries reporting most cases are the United States (32,943,878), Brazil (15,586,534), Argentina (3,335,902), Colombia (3,118,426) and Mexico (2,381,923).

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WE PRAY FOR OUR SISTERS AND BROTHERS IN ASIA, where there have been 40,859,830 cases; the five countries reporting most cases are the five countries reporting most cases are India (24,965,463), Iran (2,739,875), Indonesia (1,739,750), Philippines (1,143,963) and Iraq (1,139,373).

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And heal them by your mighty power.

WE PRAY FOR OUR SISTERS AND BROTHERS IN EUROPE, where there have been 52,677,025 cases; the five countries reporting most cases are the five countries reporting most cases are France (5,877,787), Turkey (5,117,374), Russia (4,949,573), the United Kingdom (4,450,777) and Italy (4,159,122).

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AND WE PRAY FOR OUR SISTERS AND BROTHERS IN OUR OWN REGION, OCEANIA, where there have been 74,058 cases; the five countries reporting most cases are the five countries reporting most cases are Australia (29,975), French Polynesia (18,815), Papua New Guinea (13,928), Guam (8,103) and New Zealand (2,295).

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** Figures are the latest available from the European Centre for Disease Control and accurate as of 20 May 2021.*