

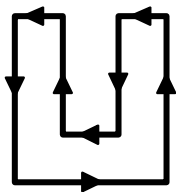
## Organise a prayer evening

# Get praying

### Before you start praying

- Start with some food—you could get snacks from around the world (banana chips? peanuts? Bombay mix?).
- Try to have a little bit of ‘get to know you time’ at the beginning if people don’t know each other so that people aren’t trying to pray with complete strangers.
- Encourage people to pray as they feel comfortable.
- If you can try and vary what you do so that it’s not all praying in a large group together – you could move around the room, break into different size groups, pray individually, take a break for drinks etc.

### Prayer Labyrinth



Walk your way through the labyrinth of prayer. Turn the room into a labyrinth that takes you (individuals or small groups) on a journey of prayer. At various stations on the labyrinth post information for prayer. People can start at different points in the labyrinth.

The labyrinth could follow one of several themes:

#### **The journey from Bible-less to Bible-blessed**

Use the prayer sheets on praying for people groups without a Bible, with portions of the Bible, with the New Testament etc.

#### **Two months of prayer**

Use the *Call to Prayer* guide, with a week for each station.

### Call to Prayer

Use the *Call to Prayer* guide to inform you praying for specific areas of Wycliffe’s current work.

- The guide spends several days focusing on particular aspects / areas of work. Copy and cut up the guide into these different aspects / areas, and separately cut each day. Split the group up into small groups, with each group praying for one of these aspects / areas and each individual covering one or more days.
- Or use as part of the World or Labyrinth prayer idea (above)

### Vision 2025

Read the Vision 2025 statement slowly together (see *Vision 2025* sheet). Think about each word – what does that mean in practice (e.g. ‘together’, ‘partners’, ‘programme’, ‘need’). Pray for each aspect of the vision to be realised.

**By 2025, together with partners worldwide, we aim to see a Bible translation programme begun in every language that needs one.**

## The latest statistics

6,912

2,286

196 million

To get the latest statistics on the progress of Bible translation visit the Vision 2025 website: [www.vision2025.org/index.html](http://www.vision2025.org/index.html). Stick them up around the room. Get people to walk around the room and as they pray to write on the numbers, either that they would increase or decrease as appropriate!

## World prayer



Turn your prayer room into a map of the world! If you want to really go for it, mark out rough outlines on the floor with masking-tape. Alternately, put chairs (or create floor-space) for praying in positions around the room that roughly correspond to the continents of the world.

Gather information about Wycliffe's work in these areas from the various resources included on the web. You may also want to use cut-outs from national newspapers of world news issues and get statistics from Operation World on the status of Christianity for each country of the world.

For country information and prayer points visit: [www.24-7prayer.com/ow/?skin=mission](http://www.24-7prayer.com/ow/?skin=mission)

## This week's prayer points

Visit Wycliffe's website for this week's prayer and praise points:

[www.wycliffe.org.uk/getinvolved\\_pray.html](http://www.wycliffe.org.uk/getinvolved_pray.html)

[www.wycliffe.net/praynews.asp](http://www.wycliffe.net/praynews.asp)

Print off the latest news.

Get someone to present it as if they were reading the news on TV.

Then get people to respond in prayer.

## Who do you know?

Do you know anyone that works for Wycliffe? Contact them and ask for their current prayer needs. Have photos of them or their most recent news on hand for people to read and pray. Or create a history wall and put up several of their newsletters so that people can read through them and see God answering prayers!

## Verses to inspire

Pin the following verses up and use them to inspire and guide your prayers:

Romans 10:14

2 Timothy 3:16

Hebrews 4:2

Romans 16:26

Esther 8:9

Psalms 119

Revelation 1:3

Hebrews 4:12

## Contact Us

E-mail [connect@wycliffe.org](mailto:connect@wycliffe.org) or fill out our online ID sheet to let us know you are running a prayer evening. We can send you **BIBLELESS PEOPLE PRAYER CARDS** and the **PRAYER DVD** with ideas on how to use the clips to encourage prayer.



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