



"If one part suffers, every part suffers with it; if one part is honored, every part rejoices with it. Now you are the body of Christ, and each one of you is a part of it." 1 Corinthians 12:26-27



Use this guide & it's second part (out in November) to help you pray during November daily & up to World Aids Day ON 1 December 2011

TAKE RESPONSIBILITY... PRAY HIV

1 November

SNAPSHOT

It's estimated that 33 million live with HIV/AIDS. With the difficulty in compiling figures from countries like China, that number is likely to be far higher. Already it is estimated that 20 million have been killed by HIV/AIDS. As many as 15 million may have been orphaned.

VERSE

'Even though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil, for you are with me; your rod and staff they comfort me'
Psalm 23:4

PRAYERS

*Father of comfort
Today we know that many live in the shadow of HIV
Today we know many walk through the valley of the shadow of death. God of comfort, send your comfort
Place an arm round the grieving
Be a father to the orphan
Be a husband to the widow
Be a healer to the sick today. Amen.*

2 November

SNAPSHOT

The average Japanese woman can live to be 84. The average Botswanan will reach just 39. Over 37% of adults in Botswana are Swaziland are infected, yet the true size of the epidemic is only just beginning to become

clear. HIV/AIDS has decimated the continent of Africa.

VERSE

'Yet to all who received him, to those who believe in his name, he gave the right to become children of God' John 1:12

PRAYERS

*Jesus Christ, our Saviour
You are the God who brings dignity
Who declares 'special' over each new life
Who speaks 'loved' into each heart?
Who designed and loves his creation.
Jesus, your designed in Africa are suffering.
Your loved ones are in locked in chains. Amen*

3 November

SNAPSHOT

Although in many places infection rate for HIV is decreasing, problem areas still remain. One is Eastern Europe. In Ukraine, one of the fastest growing HIV epidemics is taking place. 1.3% of the adult population now has HIV, the highest rate in Europe. Experts suggest Europe's HIV problems are predominantly due to a high use of needle injected drugs.

VERSE

'Say no to wrong. Learn to do good. Work for justice. Help the down-and-out. Stand for the homeless. Go to bat for the defenceless.'
Isaiah 1:17, The Message

3 November Cont'd

PRAYERS

*Proclaim freedom for the prisoners O God.
Break the chains of addiction.
Change the cycles of life that trap the poor.
And as we pray, we offer ourselves.
May we help the down-and-out?
May we bat for the defenceless?
As we pray for those with the HIV virus We see
that we may be part of the answer, Just as we
are part of the problem.
Have mercy God. Amen.*

4 November

SNAPSHOT

Although a cure is not yet found, available antiretrovirals (AVR) can keep people alive and healthy for 20 years. In developing countries, although in 2009 1.2 million received AVR for the first time, millions still need AVR treatment immediately. Many people living with HIV are too poor to afford them and up till now, there are many places without a scheme to distribute these drugs.

VERSE

'Pray... for kings and all those in authority, that we may live peaceful and quiet lives in all godliness and holiness.' 1 Timothy 2:2

PRAYERS

*Almighty God
We pray for political leaders
We pray for leaders in science and medicines
We pray for the pharmaceutical companies
Change hearts
Breed compassion
Bring wisdom and boldness
Provide hope.
Amen*

5 November

SNAPSHOT

HIV rates are significantly higher amongst groups who already face discrimination. Sex workers, those in same-sex relationships, injecting drug users already face prejudice and isolation. In many countries the stigma of HIV simply adds to their isolation and suffering.

VERSE

'Lord I have heard of your fame; I stand in awe of your deeds, O Lord. Renew them in our day, in our time make them known; in wrath remember mercy.' Habakkuk 3:2

PRAYERS

*Father we pray for the nation of South Africa.
We pray for those widowed due to AIDS.
We pray for those orphaned due to AIDS.
We pray for parents who mourn their children due to AIDS. Renew your deeds in that nation.
Make yourself known.
Have mercy. Amen*

6 November

SNAPSHOT

Grandma's is a Christian charity based in London & Bristol, which aims to give practical support to children and families affected by HIV. Founded in 1989 the charity has worked with approximately hundreds of families in these two cities and also partners with two HIV projects in India. Email: headoffice@grandma's.org.uk

VERSE

'I tell you the truth, whatever you did for the least of these brothers of mine, you did for me.' Matthew 25:40

PRAYERS

*God of grace
Bless and build the work of Grandma's.
Give wisdom, strength, skill and love in abundance. May you bless the work of their hands?
Amen*

7 November

SNAPSHOT

The numbers of women contracting the HIV/AIDS virus is increasing alarmingly, with two thirds of new infections in women. The majority of people with HIV are now women. This is put down to a number of factors, including pressure of women to have unprotected sex, a lack of empowerment for women in local cultures, traditional practices such as polygamy and the increasing instances of mass rape in conflict situations.

VERSE

'He that oppresses the poor shows contempt for their Maker, but whoever is kind to the needy honours God' Proverbs 14:31

PRAYERS

*God of justice.
Stand with those oppressed by wrongdoing.
Where oppression has ruled,
May kindness break out today.
Amen*

8 November

SNAPSHOT

Every day in Africa 1,400 newborn babies are infected either during breast-feeding or during childbirth.

VERSE

'Let the little children come to me and do not hinder them, for the kingdom of heaven belongs to such as these.' Matthew 19:14

PRAYERS

*We remember the children before you God.
May you bless them and keep them.
May you heal the sick,
Be a friend to the lonely,
A Father to the orphan. Be Abba Father
Amen*

9 November

SNAPSHOT

“How wonderful it is that nobody need wait a single moment before starting to improve the world.” (Anne Frank). Pray for NGO’s (non-governmental organizations), charities, churches and individuals looking to help people on the ground.

VERSE

‘Blessed are the merciful, for they will be shown mercy.’ Matthew 5:7

PRAYERS

Today we bring you the selfless who serve you amongst the pain and suffering of HIV. May you use their hands to bring healing. May you use their feet to journey with hope. May you use their eyes to see needs. May you use their ears to hear and respond.

May you use their mouths to speak up for the oppressed.

May you use us as we pray

And challenge us out of our apathy. Amen

10 November

SNAPSHOT

Millions living with HIV are denied basic human rights. Whether it is exclusion for a community, the loss of a job or the denial of healthcare - prejudice against HIV sufferers causes increased pain and difficulty in the lives of many.

VERSE

‘All the discards and rejects in Jerusalem will be reclassified holy’. Isaiah 4:3 The Message

PRAYERS

Father God you set created order in place, But you embraced a broken world.

Help us as church to bring your love to those excluded by prejudice. Stand with those who are HIV positive.

Save us from ever joining a judging crowd.

Speak to us when we condemn.

Let us be a body who speaks your love in words

And shows your love in actions.

Amen

11 November

SNAPSHOT

“The national impact is devastating to all sectors of the economy” Global Business coalition on HIV/AIDS.

It is predicted that AIDS will have a massive impact on many countries economically as many who contract the virus will be young and part of the workforce. The World Bank predicts economic collapse in South Africa in four generations if AIDS is not tackled.

VERSE

‘He who gives to the poor, lends to the Lord’ Proverbs 19:17

PRAYERS

Father we ask you would come to the aid of the poor It is the poor who often suffer

And under the weight of HIV there is no exception Have mercy on the marginalized, who you love Amen

12 November

SNAPSHOT

2.2 million children under 15 are living with HIV/AIDS (2005).

VERSE

‘The little children were brought to Jesus for him to place his hands on them and pray for them. But the disciples rebuked those who brought them’ Matthew 19:13

PRAYERS

Jesus the kind Christ

Your disciples thought children would be a pain

And so they told them to go away

But you welcomed them Jesus.

We ask that you would once again welcome

The children of AIDS to your breast

Lord Jesus would you bless them, keep them,

Make your face to shine upon them and give

them peace. Amen

13 November

SNAPSHOT

In many cultures women are denied basic rights of empowerment. This goes not just for education or work but also in terms of sex. Many women want to ask partners to use a condom, but are denied that right. Many women endure the pain of forced sex within or outside marriage - victims of men exercising perceived power.

VERSE

“He will wipe every tear from their eyes. There will be no more death or mourning or crying or pain, for the old order of things has passed away” Revelation 21:4

PRAYERS

No more Lord. Have Mercy. Amen.

14 November

SNAPSHOT

At the Doha round of Trade talks, the Kenyan Trade minister declared. “While you people are having this complicated debate, my people are dying.” The Doha Agreement stated that ‘ governments must put public health before patent rights’. This was heralded by many as ‘a major step forward, but the reality was somewhat different. AIDS campaigners and many developing countries were disappointed with the outcome. Pray for ongoing discussions about the issue of AIDS drugs and trade rules amongst world leaders.

VERSE

‘But let justice roll on like a river and righteousness like a never failing stream.’ Amos 5:24

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PRAYERS

*Justice today God.
For the sake of the poor
Let your justice roll down today In the corridors
of power
In the lives of the millions
Let justice roll down like a river. Amen*

15 November

SNAPSHOT

The Downtown East side of Vancouver has approximately 10,000 drug addicts, 38% have AIDS, 67% are HIV positive. It remains the poorest postcode in North America. Pray for the Salvation Army 614 Boiler Room, for the Jacobs Well community and for other friends working in this area. Pray as they try to love, bring some help and be Christ in this situation.

VERSE

'My people have been lost sheep; their shepherds have led them astray and caused them to roam the mountains.' Jeremiah 50:6

PRAYERS

*Christ the Good Shepherd
We pray you would once again shepherd the lost
Call you lost sheep to you
Go after those who wander or who have gone astray.
We pray your blessing on the those who serve you in the Downtown Eastside. Give them kindness, compassion, wisdom and love.
God of grace, bless the work of their hands.*

16 November

SNAPSHOT

HIV is a global pandemic and its effect is felt all over the world. In Sub-Saharan Africa Adults the numbers with HIV/AIDS is 22.5 million. In Asia it is 4.9 million. In Eastern Europe and Central Asia the number of adults and children living with HIV is 1.4 million.

VERSE

'Surely the nations are like a drop in a bucket; they are regarded as dust on the scales' Isaiah 40:15

PRAYERS

*God of the nations
We pray you'd have mercy on the nations
Release the chains of HIV
Bring healing and hope
Champion of the nations
Be our saviour again.
Amen*

The next part of the 24-7 Pray HIV & AIDS guide will be published on 24-7prayer.com in early November