

PRAY WITH US FOR ETHIOPIA

At the beginning of November, we asked you to pray for Ethiopia after locust swarms decimated an estimated 500,000 acres of crops in the north and east, and much additional harvest had been lost to flash floods.

More than five million people needed food aid and two million people were forced to flee their homes owing to natural disaster and ongoing ethnic tensions as widespread tribal partisanship and unrest surfaced in different regions.

We must ask you to persevere in prayer for this country as military action between the Ethiopian federal forces and the Tigrayan People's Liberation Front has resulted in thousands of people being displaced from their homes and several hundred killed.

PLEASE PRAY

- For those in leadership to seek peace and work for reconciliation rather than division.
- That the conflict will not spread to neighbouring countries, destabilising the region.
- God is sovereign over the movement of people and we cry out for the 40,000 refugees who have fled to neighbouring Sudan. Pray for opportunities to learn of gospel hope at this time of great need.
- For provision for the displaced, for food, water and healthcare.
- For the local church to rise to the challenge of showing and telling God's love in Christ amongst their communities, irrespective of people's ethnic backgrounds.

PRAY WITH THE TEAM

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OUR HEARTS ARE HEAVY FOR THE NATION AND ITS PEOPLE AND WE WOULD ASK YOU TO COMMIT TO PRAYING IN EARNEST FOR THE LORD TO INTERVENE IN HIS MERCY. WE WORSHIP A GOD OF ABUNDANCE AND WE HAVE EXPERIENCED HIS GRACE FIRST-HAND.

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- Pray with us for his will to be done in the north of Ethiopia.
- Pray for God's protection and provision, particularly for the friends of SIM workers, the children who participate in SIM ministries in this region, and their families.
- Pray that those with whom we minister would call out to God and know his presence with them.
- Praise God for our recent document renewals and pray that there will be an opening soon for our teams to return to northern Ethiopia.