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Stand in prayer for people in Lebanon

For personal prayer

Pray through one prayer point a day for seven days. You could even invite friends or others at church to pray at the same time each day. You might want to find a physical or online map of Lebanon to focus your prayers, and can even hold your hand over the map as you lift up the people of Lebanon.

With your church or small group: A simple activity to help you pray and remember

YOU WILL NEED:

A bag of stones, pebbles or gravel (or make this part of the activity - encourage people to go outside and find their own stones as they pray for people in Lebanon)

Choose a meaningful place where your monument can stay up for at least a few days, for instance the base of your church's altar or, if you are in someone's home, a slate plate or wooden board on a coffee table.

CREATING YOUR MONUMENT OF REMEMBRANCE

Invite each person to place a pebble (or piece of gravel) on the pile to symbolise the material, spiritual and emotional destruction in Lebanon.

Hold silence during this activity to allow for reflection. Remind the group of the Israelites' monuments of remembrance - tangible reminders of God's faithfulness.

Pray over your group's monument as a declaration of God's faithfulness to his people in Lebanon. Finish your time together by praying through the points below.

Seven prayer points for Lebanon

1

Pray for peace

Check today's news to guide your prayers for the current situation in Lebanon and across the Middle East. Pray for lasting peace between communities and countries.

God of peace, act in power and bring peace in Lebanon, we pray.



2

Pray for urgent needs to be met

Pray that people can access essential items to survive. Pray for healing for the wounded and comfort for families who have lost loved ones. Pray for strength for those facing fear, shock and trauma.

Lord, heal the broken-hearted and bind their wounds, we pray.

3

Pray for assurance for tomorrow

Pray for protection for civilians in homes, shelters and those on the move. Pray for the millions of Syrian refugees in Lebanon who have had to flee conflict already and now find themselves displaced again. Pray that peace will enable families to return home. Pray that those whose homes have been destroyed will find somewhere to call home.

God of strength and help, be a solid refuge, we pray.

4

Pray for decision-makers

Pray for leaders and decision-makers worldwide to act justly, quickly and with wisdom. Pray for a desire for peace and fairness among leaders, that they will work decisively to provide much-needed practical support for people in need.

God above all powers and dominions, may your will be done, we pray.

5

Pray for followers of Jesus

As you pray today, read Psalm 46 – a passage that many are finding comfort in. Pray for our brothers and sisters in Lebanon, living between gratitude and grief, that they will be strengthened and equipped to continue supporting everyone – demonstrating Christ's love and compassionate care.

God, protect your children, we pray.

6

Pray for restoration

Pray that the time for rebuilding lives and homes comes soon. Pray that God will bless people with vision and hope for the future. Ask God to provide communities with the tools and healing they need.

Lord, restore hope in Lebanon, we pray.

7

Pray for faith and love

As you pray today, light a candle and ask God to shine light and love across Lebanon and throughout the Middle East. Pray especially for Christians living as minorities, where following Jesus can be difficult. Ask God to equip and encourage them to remain rooted in faith and Christ's love.

God, let love win across the Middle East, we pray.



Thank you for praying for people in Lebanon.

Your prayers make a difference and it's a great comfort to our partners working in Lebanon to know they are not forgotten.

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