# ETHIOPIA KIDMISSIONARY CHALLENGE

# kid missionary challenge

Six part prayer guide for the people of Ethiopia.

## LEADER INSTRUCTIONS

This Kid Missionary Challenge is to pray for the people of Ethiopia. We suggest that you follow this six part guide on a weekly basis. Our hope is that you will use this simple tool to teach your kids about world evangelism. Each part includes:

Topic – describing the focus of the prayer guide

Introduction – providing context or background for the prayer

Prayer Needs – listing actual needs of the Ethiopian people

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### PRAY GIVE GO

KMC exists to help kids *pray, give,* and *go* with missionaries around the world. You are leading kids in *prayer* for the people of Ethiopia. God is calling many of them to *go* across cultures and tell people about Jesus. Consider *giving* toward those who are ministering to the unreached peoples of Ethiopia. You can give online following the link below or by using the contribution form attached to the back of this KMC prayer guide.

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#### PART 1

Topic – People of Ethiopia

Introduction – Today we are praying for the people of Ethiopia (*flag*). Ethiopia is the second most populated country in Africa, with more than 90 million people (*map*). Ethiopia is home to more than 30 unreached people groups representing more than 17 million individuals! While many of them speak Ethiopia's national language, Amharic (*amharic*). Most local people of Ethiopia speak their own language. This makes it even more difficult to reach them with the gospel. Each of them need to know Jesus and need people to tell them who God is.

#### **Prayer Needs**

- That missionaries would go to the unreached people of Ethiopia.
- That missionaries would find ways to reach those who do not know Jesus.

#### PART 2

Topic – Health Needs in Ethiopia

Ethiopia has a worrisome health situation *(sick child)*. Most of the health problems are associated with infectious diseases and insufficient nutrition. The main causes of the health issues in Ethiopia are widespread poverty, lack of education, and limited access to safe water, sanitation facilities and health services *(Ethiopia water)*. The current overall health status in Ethiopia very poor.

Prayer Needs:

- That Christians would know how to help people in need
- That Christians would have the things that they need to care for others.
- That God would heal people when they get sick.



### PART 3

Topic – Children of Ethiopia

Recent reports state that there are 4.5 million orphans in Ethiopia *(orphans)*. Meaning that 5 percent of the total population is an orphan. About 30,000 of these orphans live on the streets, most of which do not have access to shelter or adequate food. These kids survive on what they receive from shining shoes, selling small items to passersby and begging *(shanty town)*. Almost 1 out of 3 kids are seriously sick and do not have access to any kind of treatment.

#### **Prayer Needs**

- That people would serve those who live on the streets.
- That the church would care for the orphans of their communities.

#### PART 4

Topic – Christians in Ethiopia

Introduction – It used to be illegal to be a Christian in Ethiopia *(Christian kids)*. Jesus followers would be put in prison, so they had to meet for prayer and worship in secret. Today, people are free to follow Jesus without getting in trouble. About 50% of Ethiopians are Ethiopian Orthodox *(Ethiopian orthodox)*. They claim to be Christian, however, they do not understand the simple gospel and the centrality of Christ is missing. They worship Mary, saints and angels.

Prayer Needs

- That Ethiopian Orthodox would come to know Jesus.
- That the Holy Spirit would give Christians power to tell people about Jesus.



### PART 5

Topic – Missionaries & Christian Leaders

Introduction – Ethiopia needs more missionaries *(Ethiopia landscape)*. Not only Christ followers from other places of the world, but Ethiopians themselves to carry the gospel to the unreached of Ethiopia *(Ethiopia Christians)*. Ethiopia needs trained pastors and Christian leaders to lead the body of Christ. Many of our pastors and leaders do not have adequate training. We are trying to establish more training centers, but it is costly and requires more trainers.

**Prayer Needs** 

- That more people would tell others about Jesus in Ethiopia
- That God would bless Ethiopian leaders
- That more training centers would be built in Ethiopia

# PART 6

#### Topic – Urbanization

Introduction – Many Ethiopians are moving from the country to the city *(Ethiopia country)*. Today, more than 8 out of 10 people live in a major city! Christians in Ethiopia have not been able to build enough churches to reach all of these new people. Addis Ababa *(Addis Ababa)* is the capitol of Ethiopia and the place with the greatest need for churches and ministries.

Prayer Needs

- That more churches would be planted in Ethiopian cities
- That Christians would find new ways to reach people in Addis Ababa



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