

Prayer This Week

Our focus this week is: **Our Congregation**

A. I praise God this morning for His work in our congregation:

1. People: _____.
2. Ministries: _____.
3. Answered Prayers: _____.

B. I draw near to God this morning, asking for His power and will at FBC:

1. for: _____.
2. for: _____.
3. for: _____.

C. The Cry of my heart this morning for our congregation is:

_____.

D. Praying for one another:

Healing & Strength: Doreen Antliff, Pat Robson, Constance McEwan, Evelyn Watt, Mary Richmond, Allan Holoboff, Lois Mascher, Dan Meyer, Bernie Smith, Rachel Dunkerley-Underwood, Pastor John Teibe

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Nation we are in prayer for this week

Armenia - Asia



Area: 29,800 sq km

Landlocked, mountainous

Religion

[Christians](#)

[Evangelicals](#)

Pop % Ann Gr

2,918,245

94.43

-0.3

268,186

8.70

1.4

Caucasus state. Nagorno-Karabakh, a 4,400 sq km enclave in Azerbaijan populated by Armenians, is controlled by Armenia along with a corridor of land connecting it to the rest of Armenia.

Population: 3,090,379 **Annual Growth:** 0.17%

Capital: Yerevan

Challenges for Prayer

Evangelical Christianity has thrived among the Armenian diaspora of up to eight million, with many congregations in the Middle East, North America and elsewhere. Most Armenians retain close links with their homeland even after many generations away. Since 1988, a host of Armenian churches and ministries have given generously and invested in reaching their homeland, with remarkable results. Pray for the world to be blessed through this global people.

Christian help ministries. Pray for:

a) Relief work. The legacy of the communist era includes economic depression, widespread poverty and unemployment. These heighten the value of a number of ministries (Tearfund, Elam Ministries, Love Armenia) that focus on enabling Armenians to provide for themselves economically, especially believers.

b) Youth camps in the summer provide an excellent opportunity to communicate the reality and power of the gospel to young people. Thousands each year are reached and disciplined through the ministry of AMAA, which runs such camps in Armenia and several other nations.

c) Student witness is fruitful. CSUA(**IFES**) has groups in eight universities and colleges; others work among students, especially through summer camps (SU, Baptists). Pray for openness within students as well as permission from campus and government authorities to minister.

d) Bible distribution. Bible reading is very rare in this culturally Christian nation, but a modern Armenian version of the NT has recently been released, which may help change this. A modern-language OT is in progress. The Bible Society has an established ministry with a well-used Bible Centre in Yerevan and is reaching into schools. **EHC** focuses on literature distribution, often to mixed reception.

e) The JESUS film is widely used in four languages.