

Afghan Prayer List and Missions Report

Where is Afghanistan?



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Meet Farid

Farid is a Christian Afghan who got saved years ago and has been leading Afghans to Christ and planting churches underground.

As of the last update Farid had fled from Afghanistan into Pakistan because of persecution from the Taliban and was there several months.

- After praying and fasting Jesus began to speak to him and also gave him several dreams.
- Christ told Farid he was to go back into Afghanistan, to a different province and build His church there.
- God sent Farid, his wife Roya and four children back across the border with no issues at all.
- We are talking daily and praying daily for God's continued direction. He has had several more dreams from Jesus since being back in Afghanistan.
- Christ has already connected Farid and his wife Roya with several Believers. And, they have begun sharing the gospel with Muslims – as the Lord directs them.
- A few Muslims have been receptive to the gospel already.
- We found a way to get him Bibles and he has been able to get those into the hands of several Believers.
- Also, his wife has shared the gospel with a Muslim woman that is in a very bad relationship with her husband.
- This is the very beginning of a new work in this certain province of Afghanistan – pray God would continue to speak and direct us and that Jesus would build the church there and the gospel would spread through all the people groups and provinces of Afghanistan.

Prayers for Farid

- God would protect Farid and his family.
- Pray for the Muslims that Farid and Roya are sharing the gospel with – to be led by the Spirit.
- Prayers that the Believers would grow and be strengthened.
- God would begin building His church in this region of with Farid.
- That God would bring Farid the right co-laborers to come along side of him.
- God's hand to direct us in getting Bibles and other resources to help further equip Farid and the church.
- God to direct him and his wife, Roya, in everything and to give him wisdom on who to share the gospel with.
- God would provide all that is needed for living and building the church.
- God would speak directly to Farid and Steve.
- Pray for Samuel, Farid's teenage son, that he would have protection and that Jesus would speak clearly to him and give him wisdom.

To protect their safety and the safety of their families, the names here have been changed.



National Geographic photographer Steve McCurry took photos of Afghan refugees in a camp in Pakistan in 1984. The cover of the June 1985 edition featured one of those photographs—a photo which became “the most famous picture in National Geographic’s 114-year history.”

Afghan Origins

The major ethnic group of Afghanistan, the *Pashtuns*, believe they are descended from King Saul of ancient Israel through a purported grandson named *Afghana* (hence, the name of their country, *Afghanistan*.)

*Genetic studies indicate
Afghans are descended from
Abraham.*

Prayers for Afghans

- Prayers that God would move among the Afghans in the Northwest, Vancouver B.C., Bellingham, Seattle, Boise, Sacramento and Portland.
- Pray for the Afghans that Steve knows in Boise, Bellingham, Seattle and Vancouver B.C. to get saved.
- God has begun to move and surface some pockets of Afghan Believers in the NW – pray He would continue to do so.
- Bellingham, Kent and Seattle - pray God would continue to move and surface Afghans and that He would direct us.
- Prayers the Lord would move among the Afghans in the countries of Tajikistan, Uzbekistan, Pakistan and Iran.
- Prayers for Farid’s friend in Germany to be protected and strengthened and that Christ would move among Muslims in Europe.
- Prayers for Mohammad’s wife and children that they would get saved.
- Prayers for Mohammad’s family in Afghanistan that they would be reunited.

Afghanistan Today



Pray for These Provinces in Afghanistan

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| 5. Takhar | 15. Ghor | 25. Paktika | 1. Panjshir |
| 6. Laghman | 16. Badakhshan | 26. Kunduz | 2. Nuristan |
| 7. Kapisa | 17. Balkh | 27. Sarpool | 3. Uruzgan |
| 8. Farrah | 18. Jozjan | 28. Samangan | 4. Parwan |
| 9. Herat | 19. Faryab | 29. Parwan | |
| 10. Ghazni | 20. Badaghhis | 30. Baghlan | |
| 11. Kabul | 21. Zaranj | 31. Khost | |
| 12. Bamiyan | 22. Helmand | 32. Zabul | |
| 13. Daykundi | 23. Nangahar | 33. Logar | |
| 14. Kandahar | 24. Paktia | 34. Wardak | |

Prayers for Afghans

- Prayers for People Groups in Afghanistan:
 1. Hazara
 2. Pashtun
 3. Tajik
 4. Uzbek
 5. Aimaq
 6. Baloch
 7. Peshi
 8. Nuristani
 9. Turkmen
 10. Bakhtiari
 11. Prayers for the 11 taken by Taliban.

Pray for Hazaras in Afghanistan

They were once the largest Afghan ethnic group, constituting nearly two-thirds of the total population of the country before the 19th century. Today, they are less than ten percent of the population of Afghanistan. Hazaras speak a dialect of Dari (Farsi dialect) called Hazaragi and the majority of them follow the Shi'a (Twelver Imami) school of Islam. As a result, Shi'a Hazaras constitute a religious minority in a country where the majority practice Sunni Islam.

Well before the Taliban took control of Kabul on 15 August 2021, Hazaras faced an escalating campaign of violence by the Taliban and Islamic State – Khorasan as well as structural discrimination by the government in Kabul. A wave of violence that deliberately targeted Hazara mosques, cultural and educational centers in Kabul and other provincial centers claimed the lives of several hundred Hazara civilians.

- *From Minority Rights Group*

Hazaras seem open to the Gospel. Farid, Roya, Emmanuel, Dawud are Hazara Afghans.

Afghanistan – About the Size of Texas

The population of Afghanistan is around 49.5 million as of 2025. Approximately 43% of the population is under 15 years of age, and 74% of all Afghans live in rural areas. The average woman gives birth to five children during her entire life, the highest fertility rate outside of Africa. About 47% of Afghan men can read and write. But, only 15% of women are literate. The average life expectancy of the nation was reported in 2019 at around 63 years.

Pashto and Dari are the official languages of the country. Dari functions as the primary language for the vast majority. Dari is a dialect of Farsi (Persian).

Missionary Facts from *Voice of the Martyrs*

99.8 percent of Afghans are Muslims, with 90 percent Sunni and 10 percent Shiite. And sadly, most Afghans have never heard the gospel, do not know a Christian and have been indoctrinated to follow Muhammad's teachings without question. Radical Islam and violent tribal political activity make the nation a difficult and dangerous place for Christians to practice their faith.

Both local and national governments are highly antagonistic toward Christians. Extremist groups, including the Taliban and the self-proclaimed Islamic State (ISIS), are active, and believers are also persecuted by their families, friends and communities.

Afghan Christians cannot worship openly. They must worship in homes or other small venues, and evangelism is forbidden. Christians and seekers are highly secretive about their faith or interest in Christianity, especially since the resurgence of the Taliban. Beatings, torture and kidnappings are routine for Christians in Afghanistan.

Since there are no traditional church buildings or Christian bookstores in Afghanistan, Bibles are available only through underground ministry networks or in digital formats. There is little access to printed Bibles, and owning one is extremely dangerous. Most believers do not have their own Bible, but online Bibles and other digital formats are available and extremely helpful to believers and seekers.

Meet Roya:

Jesus Gave Her a Sign

[Roya is Farid's Wife]

My name is Roya. I became a Believer in 2017 through my husband. That was the best moment of my life, because today I believe in our Lord Jesus Christ.

Before becoming a Christian, I was a very strict Muslim. I always prayed at the mosque and considered myself the best person, thinking I was better than everyone else. I often fought with my neighbor women and even hit their little children with a stick.

But one day, when I heard the Good News of the Gospel from my husband, at first I became very angry and argued with him. Yet, I noticed the change in his character – how kind and gentle he had become. In the early days of our marriage he was harsh and difficult, but now he was transformed. This made me curious, and I started reading the Bible a little. Reading God's Word began to change my life.

During that time, I became very sick. One night, I had a dream: a bright man appeared beside me, placed His hand on my head, and said, "Daughter, you are healed, you are no longer sick." I asked in the dream, "How can I know that I am healed?" He told me, "Look at the back of your hand." When I woke up, I looked at my hand and saw the sign of a cross appear on it. From that moment, I was completely healed.

After this, I gave my life to Jesus Christ. Now, I live a peaceful life with my family in Christ.



The Sign that Jesus Gave to Roya.

"Behold the former things have come to pass, and new things do I declare: before they spring forth I tell you of them."

Isaiah 42:9

Meet Dawud

Beaten By the Taliban for Jesus

Pray for Dawud, his wife and family – they have been in the U.S. under a year. Dawud is a Christian Afghan who Jesus appeared to in a very bad situation which led to him getting saved around 2013. He started leading people to Christ and planting churches underground. He has been beat and left for dead by radicals and was taken and tortured by the Taliban. God preserved him and he got out of Afghanistan a couple of years ago. We are praying for God's direction about house churches in U.S. and Canada. Dawud has a house church network in Afghanistan still – where he is discipling and pouring into the leaders of his church and the body. Pray for them- they are being targeted now and having to move around. Recently a new small church was starting – The Taliban beat two members trying to deter them. Sometimes they beat, take, torture, release and sometimes kill.

Prayers for Dawud

- For Dawud and his family to stay close to Jesus and to adjust living in the USA.
- For ministry direction in Afghanistan.
- For the underground Believers and house churches that Dawud is connected with.
- Pray that they would be unspotted from the Taliban – that God would strengthen the church and Believers. That His Spirit would be poured out on them and the gospel would go out in the regions/cities where they are.
- For Dawud learning English.
- For direction with Afghan ministry in the Northwest.



Meet Merciana

[Merciana is Dawud's Wife]

My name is Merciana, and I came to Christ in 2016 after witnessing a profound transformation in my husband's life. Before knowing Jesus, I was a hopeless, pessimistic, and deeply discouraged person. I lived with anger in my heart and often blamed others for my struggles. When I discovered that my husband no longer followed Islam, I reacted with harshness and resentment. I argued with him constantly and allowed bitterness to grow inside me.

But instead of responding with anger, my husband showed me patience, kindness, and a gentleness I had never seen before. His character had completely changed, and this transformation touched me deeply. It stirred something inside my heart and made me question the path I was on.

For the first time, I brought a Bible into our home and began reading it in my free moments. Even though many doubts remained in my mind, the words of the New Testament slowly opened my heart. I wondered which path was true and where I truly belonged.

One night, overwhelmed by confusion and tired of my inner struggle, I prayed sincerely and asked God to show me the right way. That night, I saw a dream unlike anything I had ever experienced. I saw a radiant figure in pure white calling me toward Himself with love and peace. When I woke the next morning, I felt a deep, unshakable peace in my heart — a peace I had never known before. In that moment, I believed in the Lord Jesus Christ with all my heart.

From that day forward, my life began to change in ways I could not have imagined. My anger disappeared, my heart softened, and my behavior toward my husband, my children, and those around me transformed completely. As I continued reading the New Testament, I learned about God's love, His grace, and the gift of eternal life through Jesus Christ. And in the years that followed, our faith was tested in powerful ways.

In 2017, my husband was beaten almost to death by radical extremists because he was preaching the Gospel. Despite this, we remained in Afghanistan and continued the work God had given us. Then in 2021, when the Taliban took over, they captured my husband for many days and brutally tortured him. By God's grace and the mercy He showed through tribal elders, my husband was released. Shortly after, the Lord led our family to Pakistan, and eventually He opened the doors for us to come safely to the United States.

Through all of this, Christ has shaped me, healed my heart, and given me a new identity. The hopeless woman I once was no longer exists. God replaced my despair with peace, my anger with love, and my confusion with a clear purpose. Today, I stand firm in my faith, grateful for God's mercy and determined to follow Him wholeheartedly.

I thank the Lord for rescuing me, transforming me, and giving me a new life in Christ. My prayer is to always remain faithful and to reflect His love wherever He leads me. May His name be glorified forever.

Meet Emmanuel: Emmanuel Calls on Jesus

Before I came to know Jesus Christ, my life was full of pain, confusion, and restlessness. I often suffered from severe headaches and a constant sense of emptiness. No matter how hard I tried, I could not find the peace and meaning my heart longed for. There were times I felt so overwhelmed that I even considered giving up on life.

What made life even harder were the struggles of poverty and financial need. Many times, I did not even have money to buy a pair of shoes for myself. I remember walking on the streets and even on my way to school barefoot, with torn feet and deep sadness in my heart. These struggles weighed heavily on me and made me feel lost.

Yet, sometimes unexpected moments of joy and calm came to me—moments free from pain and worry—that made me wonder if someone was watching over me.

One day I read a short article online about Jesus. It said that Jesus healed the sick and that anyone who calls on Him from the heart can find healing and peace. I read more about His life and sacrifice, and when I realized He died for our sins and rose to give us new life, I wept. I felt in my heart that He might be the One I had been searching for.

I called on Jesus with sincere faith and gave my life to Him. That night I dreamed of a

radiant figure who said, “From now on you will be freed from confusion and distress, for I am with you.” I woke up and, with a grateful heart, cried out, “Jesus Christ, my Heavenly Father, Thank You.”

Since that day my life has changed. Whenever I face problems—even financial hardships—I turn to Jesus in prayer, and He always provides for me at the right time. My pain and worry have lessened, and my heart is now full of hope and gratitude.

Now, I am deeply and passionately in love with Jesus Christ. I desire to follow Him all my days and share His love with others.

If you are in pain or confusion, call on Jesus from your heart—He hears and He heals.

In Afghanistan and for many countries behind the Muslim Curtain, it is a crime to be a Christian, subjecting them to imprisonment or death. Family members of Christians can be in danger from Muslim groups such as the Taliban and Muslim Brotherhood. For this reason, our materials and methods used to reach Christians and spread the Gospel in Afghanistan cannot be publicly revealed.

Prayer

Christians in Afghanistan face political persecution, imprisonment, beatings, and even death. It is illegal to possess a Bible.

The identities of our Ministry Leaders, Associates and the names of Believers in Afghanistan are concealed to protect their safety and the well-being of their family and friends.

Our prayer requests must be structured in a way that offers specificity, but at the same time does not endanger the Believers, their families or hinder the work they are doing.

The Holy Spirit knows these people and He is not limited. When you pray, His power is released to these Believers and their situations.

In Afghanistan, the battle is primarily spiritual, not physical. The victory will come through prayer.

1. Pray Mohammad's wife and four children will be able to leave Afghanistan and immigrate to Canada so that the family can be reunited. Mohammad was forced to flee Afghanistan four years ago and now resides in Canada. He has been working for four years to bring his family to Canada. Conditions in Afghanistan and Pakistan are very difficult; and it is almost impossible to legally leave Afghanistan.

Mohammad is a new Believer. His wife and children are not Believers. Pray that they, too, will come to Salvation in Jesus.

2. Many Afghans struggle for food clothing and shelter. Abraham's Children is in the planning stages to establish infrastructure that will help Believers in Afghanistan to be economically self-sufficient, by building vocational training programs, schools and orphanages in Afghanistan. Pray the Lord will raise up Christian doctors, teachers and business leaders for this work in Afghanistan.
3. In Afghanistan the Taliban are abducting girls and women off the public streets. The Taliban operate as armed gangs against the citizens of Afghanistan, especially persecuting the minority Hazara people. Here is a first-hand account from one of our Ministry Leaders.

...these days, the Taliban have captured many young women and girls and taken them to unknown places. Pray for them.

No one knows the Taliban's motives. They do this every now and then. They take young girls, mostly young women, for their command, for sexual use. This is truly terrifying. Most of these women and girls are Hazara. Many of the other Afghan tribes are Taliban, but the Hazaras are not Taliban, which is why they are more oppressed.

I saw it up close today when the Taliban forced a girl into their car. And my brother, she was with him. She was crying a lot. My heart was pounding and I cried, but no one could help. When people tried to stop this, the Taliban started shooting. Everyone was scared.

Pray against this evil; that it would be stopped. Pray for the abducted girls. Pray for the Hazara people in Afghanistan. Pray salvation in Jesus will come to the Taliban.

4. When America pulled out of Afghanistan in 2021 and before the Taliban took control of the country in 2022, millions of Afghans had fled to neighboring Iran and Pakistan to escape the brutal Taliban rule. Many of these Afghans had helped the U.S. Military and were part of the former government. Many of them are the persecuted Hazara. Now, Iran is forcing these refugees out of Iran and back to Afghanistan. These refugee camps are temporary holding areas for the Afghans that are being moved back to Afghanistan. The Taliban is trying to keep all of these refugees in one place so they can be monitored and controlled.

One of our Ministry Leaders describes what he saw in one of the refugee camps in late August, 2025.

"This afternoon, I went to the place where [Afghan] migrants from Iran are deported. I saw that the conditions were really terrible. There was no food, water, or shelter under the scorching sun. There were many problems for the children and women there. We went with [mentioned by name]. I took some mineral water and cake for them. But, the Taliban were closely monitoring everything. We went when the Taliban had gone to pray. We were able to get these supplies [to the refugees]. Thank God, Jesus helped us. Glory be to Jesus."

Pray for these Afghan refugees.

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- PROTECTION FOR AFGHAN BELIEVERS.
- SALVATION FOR THE AFGHAN PEOPLE.

Taking the Gospel The Way of James 2:16

“...notwithstanding ye give them not those things which are needful to the body; what doth it profit?”

- About 74% of Afghanistan's people live in rural areas. Many of these villages are remote with poor access roads where it's difficult or impossible for an automobile to reach these people. Your giving helped purchase a motorcycle for an Afghan Believer to take the Gospel to these isolated, unreached Afghans.
- Your giving helps purchase computers, modems and mobile phones with higher internet speeds for Afghan Believers that are taking the Gospel to Muslims in Afghanistan. Today, computers and phones are essential tools for spreading the Gospel.
- Your giving assists Afghan Believers with rent payments in Afghanistan.
- An Afghan worked as an interpreter for the U.S. Military. When America pulled out of Afghanistan in 2021, the Taliban came to national power. This Afghan was forced to flee to Canada four years ago and leave behind a wife and four children that he could not get out of the country. Obtaining visas to leave Afghanistan is very difficult and costly. Jesus appeared to this husband and father in a dream and Jesus said He would get his family out of Afghanistan and this family would be reunited. Your giving is helping purchase visas, transportation and other expenses for the wife and children to leave Afghanistan.
- Many of the Afghan Believers that have come to the USA and Canada speak little English. With the high cost of food and housing in the West, many of these Believers find it difficult to support their families. Your giving helps meet the expenses of rent and food for these Believers that are now here in the USA and Canada.
- Your giving is providing Dari language Bibles to Believers in Afghanistan.
- Your giving is providing English and Dari language Bibles to Believers in the USA and Canada.
- An Afghan Believer was in the final year of graduate study at university and was being forced to quit his education because of remaining tuition costs and an expiring visa. Your giving helped provide the funding for the tuition and visa extension so that he could remain in the program and finish his education.

You Can Take the Gospel to the Unreached.

Outreach Projects

- Identifying capable house church leaders in the USA and Canada among the Afghan refugees and equipping them with the resources to establish and expand house groups to evangelize family members and friends.
- Helping local churches in the USA and Canada to reach the unreached people groups that have come to the West.
- Providing Dari, Pashtun, Punjabi, and Hindu Bibles and study materials free-of-charge to local house churches in the USA and Canada.
- Providing Dari and Pashto language Bibles and resources materials to believers in Afghanistan.
- Providing benevolence to Believing Afghan Refugees in the USA, Canada and Believers in Afghanistan.



Future Outreach to Afghanistan – Self-Sufficiency

The Lord is directing that, as we are building the church in Afghanistan, we are helping create small businesses that can help train and equip believers with trade and vocational skills. This will provide work for needed food, shelter and clothing so that the Believers in Afghanistan can become self-sufficient.

God is showing that He is going to bless this. Christ is the center of every business and anything that we get started in Afghanistan has the goal, not only to help the Believers, but to bring poor Muslim women and men into these businesses with the purpose of sharing the Gospel with them. These Afghan businesses will include, sewing and clothing operations, livestock raising, vegetable and fruit farming, medical care, and child-care.

Our Missionaries and Believers have experience in these areas. One of the other major issues we are praying about is getting some shelters or orphanages started. The need is desperate. Amir and his wife did this for a few years.

The future for Afghanistan is to equip Afghan Believers to minister and bring salvation to the people of Afghanistan.

Our Beliefs

ONE BOOK: We believe the 66 books of the Bible are the inspired word of God.

ONE GOD: We believe in the triune nature of a single God—Father, Son, and Holy Spirit—consistently revealed in the Bible to be gracious, merciful, compassionate, powerful, loving, and just.

ONE PEOPLE: We believe that God created humanity in His image to enjoy a special loving relationship with Him and others.

ONE TRAGEDY: We believe humanity rebelled against God’s perfect plan and that sin has continued to corrupt us and our world ever since.

ONE SOLUTION: We believe that Jesus—God Incarnate—came to Earth, was born to a virgin, and lived a sinless life revealing every aspect of God’s perfect, selfless love to us. We believe that His death on the Cross paid the price for all the sins of the world and enabled people to be restored to their Father in Heaven. We believe His resurrection paved the way for all believers to have newness of life. We believe Jesus will come again as King of Kings and Lord of Lords to usher in a New Heaven and a New Earth.

ONE FAMILY: We believe that any person who accepts Christ’s free gift of salvation is born-again and a member of God’s family with all the rights and privileges of a son or daughter of the Creator. We believe this includes the opportunity to share in the Lord’s Supper.

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Paul said all Believers are the Spiritual Children of Abraham.

Abraham's Children is taking the gospel to the unreached physical descendants of Abraham, the Afghans, in the U.S., Canada and Afghanistan.

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1. Bible Distribution.
2. Afghan Group and Individual Bible Studies and establishing house Churches.
3. Afghan Benevolence for Believers.
4. Starting Businesses and Outreaches.

Dari print and audio Bibles are distributed free of charge to Afghan believers in the U.S and Canada, primarily to individual leaders and house churches. Dari Bibles and leadership resources are given free of charge to believers and Christian leaders in Afghanistan.

Benevolence is a necessary part of the Great Commission. James said, it is not enough to say “be warmed and filled” to someone that is hungry, needs clothing, or a place to live. When the Apostles decided that Paul would be the Apostle to the Gentiles, they blessed the decision and the last thing they asked Paul to do was to remember the poor (giving to the needy Christians outside his ministry.) See the “Prayer List Update” for recent benevolence outreach giving.



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