



# Monthly Prayer Guide: April 2023

## Prayer Arrow: PENITENCE

### Ministry Partner: Mojghan - Farsi speaking Women

*The sacrifices of God are a broken spirit; a broken and contrite heart, O God, you will not despise. Ps 51:17ESV*

#### Monday - Praises

The 1979 Islamic Revolution promised peace and prosperity, but 40 years later it still has not come. Instead, a legacy of bloodshed, cruelty, injustice, corruption, and economic hardship left many disappointed with the conservative religious leaders and their narrow version of Islam. An estimated 13 million Iranians live below the poverty line. Around 200,000 of Iran's best-educated young people emigrate every year. Iran has one of the highest rates of opium addiction in the world, 200,000 street children, and widespread (but hidden) prostitution. Iran is an ancient, noble, and proud civilization. But in the modern era, these struggles have made many people, especially young people, very open to the gospel.

- *Pray that Iranians' desires for greatness, prosperity, freedom, and even for righteousness might ultimately be met through worship of Jesus.*

#### Tuesday - Essentials

Farsi Essentials Bible Study to begin in Finland for Iranian and Afghan women with our WiW Ministry Partner, Mojghan.

- *Pray that through the study would transform the women's lives.*
- *Pray that the PARS Sat-7 contact made at BlueMed to expedite the online satellite production as well.*



#### Wednesday— Women

Estimates suggest that there are now over half a million Christians in Iran, but it is suspected that there are twice that number. Women have undergone horrific persecution and human rights violations including the death of Mahsa Amini in 2022. But these human rights violations propel the truth of the Gospel among women.

**PRAY that women take their place as Disciple-makers in Iran!**

#### Saturday - Disciples

- *A growing movement of intentional one-to-one discipleship.*
- *Healing and closure from wounds, addictions and abuse.*
- *Iran's Christians to be life-long, committed disciples.*

#### Thursday—

**Mojghan** recently underwent surgery.

- *Pray for her complete recovery and the regaining of her strength.*

#### Friday - Captives

**Pray for those imprisoned for sharing Jesus.**

- *Courage for Christians facing arbitrary arrest.*
- *Strength for Christians in prison.*
- *Release for all imprisoned for their faith.*

#### Sunday - Sat 7 Pars Studio

At first glance, it may seem strange that SAT-7 PARS' studios are located in Cyprus and London. SAT7 PARS broadcasts Persian-language programs and is watched primarily by viewers in Iran and Afghanistan. It is staffed mostly by expatriate Iranians, many of whom have had to leave Iran because of their Christian faith. The studio cannot be located in Iran because of religious freedom restrictions there. Limassol and London, home to significant numbers of Iranians, provide strategic alternative locations.

- *Pray for the SAT-7 PARS staff and ask that one day it will be possible for SAT-7 to have a studio inside Iran.*