

Prayer Focus 23 – 29 September 2024

India South Western Territory

Territorial Leaders:

Colonel John William Polimetla - Territorial Commander
Colonel Ratna Sundari Polimetla - Territorial President of Women's Ministries
Lieut-Colonel Gurnam Masih - Chief Secretary
Lieut-Colonel Razia Gurnam - Territorial Secretary for Women's Ministries

Prayer Requests:

- Pray for Wayanadu

Wayanadu is the name of a district in Kerala which has recently experienced devastating landslides. More than 400 people have died and 150 are still missing. Rescue operations are underway with government and NGOs doing their best to protect and provide food and shelter to the people in the affected area. Please pray for all those people who are suffering as a consequence of this natural disaster, for those grieving and those who are missing to be found.

- Candidates for Salvation Army officership

The shortage of candidates is one of the serious issues facing the India South Western Territory. For various reasons, most young people have no interest in officership. Please pray that young people will respond to the call to serve as officers in The Salvation Army.

- Unemployment and barriers to employment among young people

Unemployment is a big issue in Kerala. Job vacancies are low and job opportunities for Christians in the government sector are declining. There is a limit to the number of jobs available to Christians (1%). Please pray for job opportunities, particularly for our young people.

- Religious opposition

In certain parts of the state, there is a lot of religious opposition towards Christians. Many salvationists are facing opposition because of their faith and are feeling uncertain. Please pray for them to stand boldly as Christians, even when this feels difficult.

- Giving thanks

In the midst of these issues, we are so grateful to God for good leadership, for committed salvationists and the resources we need for a better future and to overcome financial challenges.

Amen!