

ASKING POINT

Network

*He is the Rock, His works are perfect, and all His ways are just.
A faithful God who does no wrong, upright and just is He. Deut. 32:4*

Hope of the Nations

In His name the nations will put their hope. Matthew 12:21

TOGO

Leadership:

President: **Faure Gnassingbe**

Prime Minister: **Gilbert Houngbo**

Religions: 29% Christian, 20% Muslim, 51% Indigenous Beliefs.



Togo was part of the former Slave Coast from which captives were shipped abroad by European slavers. President Guassingbe has been head of state since 2005 when his dictator father of 38 years died. His leadership has been contested after controversial elections in which 500 were killed and about 40,000 Togolese fled to neighboring nations. *Meditate and Pray: 1 Timothy 2:1-4*

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The World from God's Perspective

I have longed to gather. Matthew 23:37

The War in Afghanistan

While man is perplexed... God is benevolent.
- Afghan proverb

Afghanistan has been marred by violence and war for over 30 years. While pockets of the country enjoy some reprieve, in most areas Afghans strive to carry out their daily lives in the midst of deteriorating war and insurgency. It can be tempting to assume this will always be the status quo. But God's word reminds us that this is not the end of the story, this is not the way we were created to live. As Afghan and international political, military, and development actors seek practical solutions - may we also pray for an increased coming of His kingdom into Afghan hearts and lives.

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God in Community

I come in the Name of the Lord Almighty. 1 Samuel 17:45

Praying the Word for Judges

ASK the Righteous Judge who guards the path of justice for righteous judges in every nation.

Deuteronomy 1:16-17

"Hear the cases between your brethren, and judge righteously between a man and his brother or the stranger who is with him."

"You shall not show partiality in judgment; You shall hear the small as well as the great; You shall not be afraid in any man's presence, for the judgment is God's."

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**...receive from Him
anything we ask, because we obey
His commands and do what pleases Him...**

1 John 3:22



**”MOREOVER,
YOUR LITTLE ONES
WHO YOU SAID
WOULD BECOME A PREY,
AND YOUR SONS,
WHO THIS DAY HAVE
NO KNOWLEDGE
OF GOOD OR EVIL,
SHALL ENTER THERE,
AND I WILL GIVE IT TO THEM
AND THEY SHALL POSSESS IT.”**
DEUTERONOMY 1:39

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Togo continued...

Widespread history of human abuse continues today; exportation of children to other lands for the sex industry, manipulation of elections and injustice.

Meditate and Pray: Isaiah 59:9–20

ASK Network will be holding our first conference in Togo from October 16–18. Pastor Glory Possible, who has pioneered the work by starting prayer groups in Togo and Benin, will be joined by other leaders from West Africa and members of the International ASK team. It is our prayer that this conference will foster a desire for the church to come into unity thereby challenging the hold of indigenous beliefs and Islam.

Meditate and Pray: John 17:20–23 🙏



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Judges continued...

Deuteronomy 16:18–19

“... they shall judge the people with just judgment.”

“You shall not pervert justice; you shall not show partiality, nor take a bribe, for a bribe blinds the eyes of the wise and twists the words of the righteous.”

2 Chronicles 19:6, 7, 9, 10

“Take heed to what you are doing, for you do not judge for man but for the LORD, who is with you in the judgment.”

“Now therefore, let the fear of the LORD be upon you; Take care and do it, for there is no iniquity with the LORD our God, no impartiality, nor taking of bribes.”

“Thus you shall act in the fear of the LORD, faithfully and with a loyal heart...”

“Whatever case comes to you...you shall warn them, lest they trespass against the LORD and wrath come upon you and your brethren. Do this and you will not be guilty.”

“Behave courageously, and the LORD will be with the good.” 🙏

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Afghan War continued...

Worship

“Ascribe to the Lord the glory due his name...” (1 Chronicles 16:29)

- Praise God for His sovereignty over the situation in Afghanistan and His compassion for the Afghan people
- ASK for the body of Christ in Afghanistan (both Afghans and internationals) to be strengthened in worship. For the freedom, courage, and faith to proclaim truth in worship and to rejoice in the Lord in the midst of struggles and insecurity.

Peace

“They shall build houses and inhabit them; they shall plant vineyards and eat their fruit. They shall not build and another inhabit; they shall not plant and another eat... They shall not toil in vain or bear children for calamity; for they will be a people blessed by the LORD...” (Isaiah 65:21–23)

- ASK for stability throughout the country. For a lasting peace that encourages people to invest in their land and communities again. For rest and healing for Afghans weary and scarred by decades of violence.
- ASK for an end to the repetitive and retaliatory cycles of conflict in Afghanistan, both at a national level as well as among tribal and family groupings.

Leadership

“...each ruler will be like a hiding place from the wind, a shelter from the storm, like streams of water in a dry place, like the shade of a great rock in a weary land.” (Isaiah 32:1–2)

- ASK the Lord to raise up and nurture Afghan leaders of integrity, who will model public service, work for justice, and earn the trust of their communities.
- ASK for them to have the courage to remain upright and honest in the face of rampant corruption and that God would bless and protect them and their families. 🙏

