



*Open Doors*

**PRAY  
THROUGH  
YOUR DAY**

Stand in prayer with our persecuted  
family in the Middle East.



Join the One Million Prayers of Hope campaign and help light up the world in prayer.

Right now, in Syria and Iraq, hope is fragile. Christians face economic collapse, poverty and hunger. Extremism remains a threat. Without your support, Christians may lose hope and leave.

When you stand with our brothers and sisters in prayer they know they are not alone. Your prayers help the church in the Middle East shine as a beacon of hope.

Please join in prayer today by going to [www.opendoorscanada.org/millionprayers](http://www.opendoorscanada.org/millionprayers)

# THIS MORNING

I am standing in prayer with Vian

**“And after you have done everything, to stand. Stand firm.”**

EPHESIANS 6:13



Vian, Alqosh, Iraq.

## **VIAN ASKS**

For prayer as she ministers to people traumatized by war – and prayer for healing. Vian saw the conflict in Iraq first hand, and the experience rocked her faith. But in working through trauma, she saw God’s presence. Now, Vian is being trained by an Open Doors partner to help other Iraqis deal with trauma.

## **PLEASE PRAY**

Dear God, I lift up Vian before you, and ask that you fill her with wisdom and grace as she ministers to people traumatized by war. Please remove the weight of despair from people who’ve experienced years of conflict and help them find hope in Christ.

## **THANKS TO YOUR SUPPORT**

More Christians like Vian are being trained by Open Doors partners to support those with trauma, and are leading vital programs that make their churches Centres of Hope. Lives of people right across Syria and Iraq are being restored.

# THIS LUNCHTIME

## I am standing in prayer with Edward

**"You are the light of the world. A town built on a hill cannot be hidden."**

MATTHEW 5:14



Pastor Edward, Alliance Church Centre of Hope, Damascus, Syria.

### **PASTOR EDWARD ASKS**

For you to pray because it helps him know he is not alone. For 11 years, Pastor Edward has faithfully led his church in Damascus, Syria. He also runs a Centre of Hope medical clinic which treats 1,500 people a month. Pastor Edward is steadfast – but tired.

### **PLEASE PRAY**

Dear God, renew Pastor Edward. Fill him with energy and courage, perseverance and strength. I pray Pastor Edward would know we are with him, urging him on to shine brightly as a beacon of hope. Please, God, protect Pastor Edward and his family.

### **THANKS TO YOUR SUPPORT**

Church leaders like Pastor Edward are strengthened to remain and serve in Syria and Iraq. The Centres of Hope, run by believers like Pastor Edward, bring hope to Christians and Muslims alike.

# THIS EVENING

I am standing in  
prayer with Iktimal

**“The light shines in the darkness, and  
the darkness has not overcome it.”**

JOHN 1:5



Iktimal, Centre of Hope,  
Latakia, Syria.

## **IKTIMAL ASKS**


For you to pray boldly for change in Syria – because, as she says, “Nothing is impossible for God.” Iktimal started to love life again after receiving help at a Centre of Hope. She longs to return home but extremists still control her village and economic collapse limits her opportunities.

## **PLEASE PRAY**

Dear God, you are able to do more than all we ask or imagine. Please bring peace and stability to Syria so that families like Iktimal’s can return home. I pray for wise governance and godly leadership so that love and unity will prevail.

## **THANKS TO YOUR SUPPORT**

Hope remained alive in Syria and Iraq when Islamist extremists set out to eradicate the church. The faith of Christians was strengthened, and the church was a light in the darkness.

A man with a beard and short hair, wearing a dark 5.11 Tactical jacket, is shown in profile, looking upwards and to the right. In the background, a large, glowing, neon-like cross-shaped structure is illuminated against a dark blue night sky. The scene is set outdoors, possibly in an urban or industrial area, with some blurred structures and lights visible in the distance.

**Every second you spend in  
prayer makes a difference.**

Thank you for standing with  
your brothers and sisters in  
Syria and Iraq.