



# LAOS WAYS TO PRAY

Laos is a landlocked country in South-East Asia and is home to around 7 million people. The ruling party is communist and there is no real freedom of speech or religion. Movement among the seventeen provinces is heavily restricted.

Although some strides have been made economically, Laos remains among the poorest countries in the world. The vast majority of the people work on the land and live a hand-to-mouth existence.

## ONE

Laos is an incredibly diverse country, with many different people groups, languages and dialects. Lao is the official language and is understood by most, but communication of the gospel remains difficult.

**Pray that Bible translation will enable people to have the Word of God in their heart language.**

## TWO

Laos remains one of the poorest countries in the world. Most people are dependent on the land, living a hand-to-mouth existence. Disease is rife and medical facilities are not always readily available.

**Pray that the people of Laos will not lose hope and the authorities will be open to receiving help where offered.**

## THREE

During the Vietnam War, Laos became the most bombed country in history. Unexploded ordnances have led to over 20,000 people being killed in explosions since the end of the conflict. Many more have been maimed.

**Pray that unexploded devices will be cleared soon and that those injured will receive proper medical treatment.**

## FOUR

The number of Christians in Laos is growing significantly. However, persecution is still a reality with many losing their homes and livelihoods, being imprisoned or even being killed for their faith.

**Pray that the Lord will protect His people, using them for His glory and the expansion of His Kingdom.**

## FIVE

It's very difficult to obtain a Bible in Laos, creating a real need for Scripture for the growing church. Bibles can only be taken into the country secretly – a dangerous activity.

**Pray that the Lord will protect those who show love to the people of Laos by taking the risk of transporting Bibles into the country.**

## SIX

Nearly one third of the population is under 14 years old. Our partners produce and distribute Christian material designed to share the gospel with children.

**Pray that this literature would continue to be made available, with adequate funding and no disruptions to the channels of distribution.**

## SEVEN

Many young women are lured away from their rural homes and families with the false promise of prosperity. In reality, many end up in sexual slavery. Our partners work to rescue these young women and win them for Christ.

**Pray that these women would be freed from exploitation and find healing, hope and salvation in Christ.**



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