

Prayer Guide – Spring 2017
for
Reaching the Nations
Among US

A RECENT STORY

She Never Looked Back!

“Lotus Blossom” immigrated to the United States from Vietnam over 30 years ago. As a single mom, she worked two jobs to support herself and her son. Her loneliness and burdens were almost unbearable, and she often felt hopeless. Finally, in spring 2016 her life took a new direction. Because of the kind invitation of an ESL teacher she met at a health club, Lotus Blossom began attending classes at Cross Point Alliance Church in Akron, OH, where 311 students from 38 nations were learning English.

After four months, an invitation was given to watch a movie about the Easter story. That evening, the *JESUS* film was shown in many rooms of the church as students speaking 11 different languages watched *JESUS* in their mother tongues. The film touched Lotus Blossom’s heart and she never looked back! The following Sunday she attended Cross Point’s Easter service, as well as their ESL Bible class. She prayed to receive Christ as her Savior and Lord.

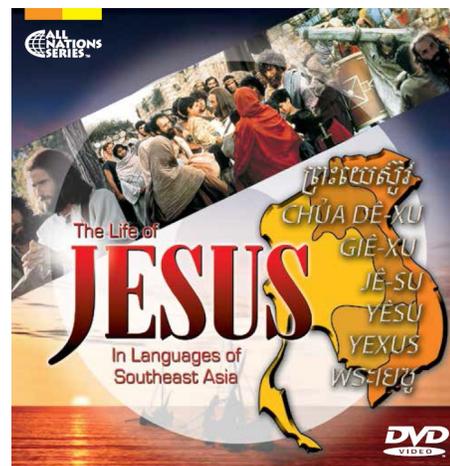
People see the difference in her joy-filled face. Her son, now in his twenties, even asked what changed her! She is growing in her faith and telling others about the hope she found in Jesus. This spring, she gave her testimony to 70 women during a yearly Cross Point Church special event. Of those attending, 20 were non-Christian internationals who were greatly touched by Lotus Blossom’s story.

THE PEOPLES CONNECTION

The Peoples Connection is a bridge-building effort encouraging North American Christians to build genuine, lasting relationships with people who have come from other lands and introduce them to Jesus.

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Featured DVD



Southeast Asian Languages

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**Pray for all to be
saved and to
come to the
knowledge of
the truth.**

1 Timothy 2:1-8

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MONDAY: Pray God for *the Southeast Asian Languages JESUS DVD* (see other side). This DVD now includes 16 languages as well as six subtitle languages, including English. *The Story of Jesus for Children* in seven languages is a bonus feature. Pray for the effective use of this amazing story of Jesus and His offer of new life. Pray for the many ministries offering this DVD as a gift to people from Southeast Asian backgrounds. Pray for families that watch this compelling DVD to become active followers of Jesus.

TUESDAY: Pray for the follow-up from recent Asian outreaches during the Lunar New Year. Pray for many opportunities to connect with immigrants from Asian and Southeast Asian countries. Pray for those who received a free gift of the *JESUS DVD* to watch it and be open to embracing Jesus. Pray for whole families to respond to the message and hope of Jesus Christ. Pray for churches to assist new believers in their relationship with Jesus. Pray also for the effective follow-up from several thousand *JESUS DVDs* distributed all across North America during the recent Nowruz (Persian New Year) festivals.

WEDNESDAY: Thank God for churches who are being the hands and feet of Jesus to immigrants. Pray for many more to reach out with English as a Second Language (ESL) classes, American Style Cooking classes and other activities to help new internationals adapt. Pray for opportunities to share the gospel using various multi-language *JESUS DVDs* and *JESUS film gift cards*. Pray for good responses from offering these tools as free gifts, as well as from *JESUS film showings*.

THURSDAY: Pray for greater use of the *All Nations DVD Display* by churches. Pray for church members to regularly pick up one or more *JESUS DVDs* from the display to share with neighbors or work associates who are from other nations. Pray that those receiving a free multi-language *JESUS DVD* will be receptive to Jesus and His message of hope, forgiveness and eternal life. Praise God for the medical offices using the *All Nations DVD Displays* in ministering to immigrants.

FRIDAY: Pray for Easter outreaches all over North America as churches and Christian ministries seek to help people from other nations understand the real meaning of Easter. Pray for many immigrants to gladly receive a gift of the *JESUS DVD* and desire to know what the resurrection of Jesus means for them and how they can know Him personally. Pray for opportunities to interact with these people and to answer their questions about Jesus' life, death and resurrection. Pray for many immigrants and refugees to receive Jesus' promise of new life and to share it with their families.

SATURDAY: Pray for the use of new technologies in sharing Jesus. Pray for the "Wi-Fi Short Film Library Box" which broadcasts various *JESUS film movies* and other short films. Pray for the use of portable charging stations at festivals where people can have their cellphones charged. Pray that while waiting they will watch a movie from the "Wi-Fi Short Film Library Box." Pray for people to come to know Jesus using these technologies.

SUNDAY: Thank God for partner ministries like the Seafarers. Pray for their ministry to internationals at world sea ports. While waiting for ships to unload, seamen are offered places to relax with food, literature and movies. Pray for the use of multi-language *JESUS DVDs* and *JESUS film gift cards* to encourage seamen to receive Jesus.