

Come Lord Jesus Prayer Relay



South Africa

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Ireland

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Tanzania



Tanzania remains an “island of peace” amidst troubled nations. It shelters over a million refugees who flee violence in their own lands, and serves as a base for Christian ministry in the region. Still, witchcraft mixes in with both Christianity and Islam in Tanzania. Spiritual superstition and occultism have great costs, and often lead to sexual abuse or even death for victims of these practices. Pray the government will be bold to confront evil, and wise to bring community harmony and religious freedom.

KEY STATS

Continent:	Europe
Capital:	Dublin
Population:	4,982,904
% Urban:	63.9 %
Population Under 15 Yrs:	21.2 %
Official Language:	Irish, English. Irish spoken as a first language by less than 4% of the population; 40% of the Irish population can speak Irish
Languages:	5
Literacy Rate:	99 %
HDI Ranking:	2 / 189
% Christian:	91.7 %
% Evangelical:	1.5 %
Largest Religion:	Christian
% Largest Religion:	91.7 %
People Groups:	44
Least Reached People Groups:	5
% Unevangelized:	1 %

KEY STATS

Continent:	Africa
Capital:	Dodoma (official); Dar es Salaam (de facto)
Population:	61,498,438
% Urban:	36 %
Population Under 15 Yrs:	43.8 %
Official Language:	Swahili, English; 2% speak only Swahili and no local African language
Languages:	127
Literacy Rate:	80 %
HDI Ranking:	163 / 189
% Christian:	54.1 %
% Evangelical:	17.9 %
Largest Religion:	Christian
% Largest Religion:	54.1 %
People Groups:	156
Least Reached People Groups:	31
% Unevangelized:	14 %

From Operation World website - see <https://operationworld.org/prayer-resources/countries-alphabetically/>

We're really excited to have you join in praying for the nations in our prayer relay!

Through history many revivals have started because children pray! This prayer relay is not just for fun but a time to be part of over 40 nations praying one after another for each other! This time round South Africa prayed for Ireland, and the baton on the 21st April is passed on to Ireland to pray Come Lord Jesus onto Tanzania.

God calls us to go to all the nations! (Matthew 28:19) Ok even though children might be too young to go, we can go in prayer! It's exciting! We're called to join with Father God, to hear his heart and it will be a powerful time of declaring the goodness of God over all the earth! As we go to the nations in this way, we declare His praises, his goodness the Bible says the devil is silenced! (Psalm 8v2) We pray Come Lord Jesus as an act of Spiritual Warfare believing God will answer His people!

Here are some resource ideas for your session. The session should last for 1 hour particularly if you're on zoom, but you are free to extend or make elements longer and of course add your own from the many resource ideas at cljprayer.com/resources

The baton is passed on to Ireland to pray:

Welcome

Play Welcome Video - <https://youtu.be/fMKgWsLJyLY>

Start by welcoming everyone. Introduce yourself. If you were a fruit what fruit would you be to describe yourself. Ex. Banana because I'm interesting to look at but better on the inside!

Introduce Tanzania - What fruits are grown in the country? Banana, Mangoes, Oranges, Pineapples, Watermelons.

Tanzania Quiz on kahoot, create your own or use one already created, here's one - <https://play.kahoot.it/v2/?>

You will need:

Your smartphone
Large sheet of paper
Pens, crayons, different colours
Chocolate coins
Tea-lite candle*
Ball of wool or string
A bin
Individual paper hearts (post-it type)

Worship - Come Lord Jesus in me

As we introduce are time together. Pray out God is good and as we do we ask Jesus Come in me! Perhaps, choose someone to find and read Psalm 8v2 before playing one or both of these songs.

Come Alive - <https://youtu.be/-LiXenSkzyY>

Hope - https://youtu.be/r_t5xitQjlc (or use this song at the end)

Zoom tip - give each participant a number, and then from number 1 to the last, have each pray out Come Lord Jesus in me (saying your name) and declaring God is good to me.

Preparation

Preparing our heart to hear God's heart in worship we silenced the enemy! Today perhaps has been busy, no time for God - perhaps God's got squeezed out? We desire to hear something of God's heart as we pray Come Lord Jesus for Ireland & Tanzania. First though, & before we go there, take a moment: Take a piece of paper write on it any distractions you've had today. Then screw it up and throw it into your bin as you do pray out **Jesus I want to hear you in my life during this time. Amen.**

Activity - Come Lord Jesus in Ireland & Tanzania

Take your large sheet of paper. First draw an outline of Tanzania. Another Group draw an outline of Ireland. If you don't have paper then make an outline of Tanzania on the floor with the wool or string. Take some time to listen now to Holy Spirit, ask a volunteer to simply pray for everyone **"Come Lord Jesus with your Holy Spirit and show us what is on your heart to pray for Ireland"** after about 3 minutes write down what drops into your thoughts and write them on your map (or if on the floor write each on a paper heart)

Repeat this for Tanzania. Trust the Holy Spirit to bring things to mind no matter how small or seemingly insignificant. It may well be that someone else has more clarity in the group.

Zoom tip - give time in the meeting, play some soft instrumental music to help focus.

Declare it!

Listen to Holy Spirit

Take your **tea-lite candle** (Adult/Parent supervision here please!) and light it putting it in the centre of your map outline with all the scriptures, words and pictures on the maps from last activity.

Pray fast pop-corn prayers in the time left. It may be helpful to number-of each person and have from number 1 to start & in-turn pray out something they see on the paper scattered on the map. If on Zoom you could have each window do a prayer pop-corn prayer in-turn. You could finish this part playing Hope and declare it over the nations and the world - Come Lord Jesus in our world !

Firstly make sure you take a picture of the finished activity and share it with cljprayer Ireland co-ordinator! - Richie Gardiner email - richieg@outlook.ie