

# Along the Way

## Suuzanne's Story

The citizens of Myanmar, a country known for its political instability and extreme violence, face multiple conflicts that are commonly instigated by the government. In the midst of these conflicts, Christians are often the first people to be targeted and attacked by the military, frequently resulting in a large number of serious casualties and the burning of churches.

This artwork depicts what has become an all-too-common experience for followers of Christ in Myanmar – one that the artist, Suuzanne, couldn't keep bottled up inside. So, she took to her paints to express one treacherous journey that was required by her family so they could provide assistance to a broken and beaten people group in Myanmar's Karen state.

Suuzanne (pictured in this artwork carrying a backpack), along with the rest of her ministry team, had to tread under the cover of night. Ahead of them was a road patrolled by the military that needed to be crossed. If spotted, the soldiers would shoot first and ask questions later. In the above scene, the team is travelling with their horses and mules through the rice fields, praying they will avoid conflict. With only the light of their headlamps to illuminate the path before them, they carefully draw nearer to the patrolled road where all light is extinguished.

Suuzanne recalls them having to tread quietly that night as they approached the crossing. Flooding her mind's eye, the recollection of traumatic experiences instructed her quiet steps. Memories of the team physically piggybacking the wounded through Myanmar's remote jungles, rescuing young boys seconds after these children had their limbs blown off, and weeping among the ruins of burned churches, all reminded her of what would result when encountering the military. Still, the members of this dedicated mission team pressed forward, trusting in God to be their sole guiding "Light" amid the darkness of this bleak night.



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“So then, as we have opportunity, let us do good to everyone, and especially to those who are of the household of faith.”

– Galatians 6:10 ESV

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
			1 LEBANON Pray for the return of church leaders who left the country because of economic instability.	2 MOROCCO Pray for the success of Bible-smuggling operations so that many lives will be impacted for eternity.	3 JORDAN Pray that Christian leaders will unite in serving the country's large number of refugees.	4 CAMEROON Pray that God will supply the needs of believers whose villages were destroyed by Boko Haram.
5 BAHRAIN Pray that new Christians will become grounded in God's Word so they can stand firm amid persecution.	6 MOZAMBIQUE Pray for the encouragement of those ministering to displaced and traumatized Christians.	7 INDONESIA Continue to pray for members of the Hati Yesus Maha Kudus Church, which was attacked on Palm Sunday in 2021.	8 SYRIA Pray for pastors who are faithfully ministering in this nation, using 1 Peter 5:1-4 as a guide.	9 KUWAIT Pray for more evangelists to minister throughout the country, reaching the Kuwaiti people with the Gospel in creative ways.	10 TAJKISTAN Pray for Christians in the northeast, which is dominated by a radical form of Islam.	11 VIETNAM Pray that those who've been blinded by ancestor worship will see the truths revealed in God's Word.
12 NEPAL Pray that the government will stop its oppression of those who convert to Christianity.	13 KENYA Pray for Christian widows and orphans recovering from attacks by Islamic militants.	14 SAUDI ARABIA Pray that Christians who are persecuted by their families will connect with the family of God.	15 EGYPT Pray that children's Bibles will be distributed to eager readers who are receptive to the Gospel.	16 NORTH KOREA Pray that attempts by governing officials to interrupt Christian radio broadcasts will not prevail.	17 MAURITANIA Pray that more Christian workers will reside in Mauritania and share the Gospel throughout the country.	18 LAOS Pray that Christians will remain faithful amid tremendous suffering and loss.
19 LIBYA Pray for the strengthening of a fellowship of believers who are attending an online church.	20 INDIA Pray for our suffering Indian brothers and sisters in Christ, using Romans 5:3-5 as a guide.	21 UGANDA Pray for Sister Ruth, the widow of a martyred evangelist.	22 AZERBAIJAN Pray for the continued faithfulness of those who are under spiritual attack.	23 SOMALIA Pray for greater unity and trust among leaders of the Somali church.	24 SRI LANKA Pray for those facing governmental discrimination because of their Christian witness.	25 KAZAKHSTAN Pray that Kazakh Christians will heed God's call to serve as church leaders.
26 ALGERIA Pray for believers whose churches have been closed by the government.	27 CENTRAL AFRICAN REPUBLIC Pray for increased opportunities for believers to boldly witness, especially among spiritually seeking Muslims.	28 TURKMENISTAN Pray for those endeavouring to effectively distribute copies of the Bible in the country.	29 IRAQ Praise God that far more Bibles have been safely distributed than those destroyed by extremists.	30 PHILIPPINES Pray that Muslim militants and Communist rebels will reject violence, and instead pursue the peace of Christ.		



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Artist: Suuzanne Eubank  
 Artwork Title: "Night Movement Behind the Lines"  
 Medium: Oil Paint  
 Design Concept Credit: The original map/territories drawing for the page 7 activity.