Pray for Venezuela and Venezuelan Migrants

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Twenty years ago, few Venezuelans would have imagined that their country, rich in natural resources, with large oil reserves, would become a place with so much corruption and such a poor economy that millions would choose to flee. Now, with government repression, and the highest inflation rate in the world, many people cannot afford basic food and medicine. Many have fled to countries throughout South America. Six million Venezuelans have left their country, ranking among the highest number of refugees in the world along with Ukrainians, Syrians, Palestinians and Afghans. Please join YWAM's prayer initiative called The Invitation as we pray for Venezuela and the many people who have left the country. Please take a moment to pray right now and please join us on our prayer day, May 12.

Topic recommended by Yira Ibarra in Colombia; written by Daniel Leones in Mexico. Photo of YWAM Cúcuta 's ministry to Venezuelan migrants in Colombia.

1. Pray against labor and sexual exploitation, human trafficking, violence, discrimination and xenophobia. Venezuelan people who flee their country are victims of these harms. Many people do not have sufficient means of subsistence, therefore they're an easy target for criminal groups.

- 2. Pray for churches in Venezuela. The Covid crisis has put limits on ministry activities. People don't want to get ill since medical attention is very expensive. Pray for unity, strengthening and revival for the church.
- **3. Pray for Venezuela.** Many Venezuelan people are looking to flee but others stay to deal with the difficulties like the rampant corruption, avarice, misery, conformism, and social injustice.
- **4. Pray for YWAM ministry in Venezuela.** Since the big economic difficulties, YWAM is growing up but slowly. There's a need for more long-term staff at each location. Pray for unity and strength for the movement.
- 5. Pray for the fulfillment of God's purposes for Venezuela. Pray for a spiritual awakening in Venezuela that will lead to a transformation of the nation and its foundations.

Take Action

Consider how you can help God's purposes for Venezuela. One suggestion: learn more about the work of YWAM Cúcuta, Colombia to help Venezuelan refugees. In this frontier city many migrants cross from Venezuela. You can get in touch with YWAM Cúcuta at facebook.com/jucumcucuta.

How We Prayed

YWAMers continue to send reports of how they are praying for Ukraine. From London: "We are still praying every week as a whole base for everything in Ukraine. When praying this morning, I had Isaiah 41. The whole chapter, but specifically from 8-20."

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