

# Prayer Guide: Myanmar Earthquake

### How to use this prayer guide

This is a guide to help individuals, churches and groups pray for people affected by the devastating earthquake in Myanmar.

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## A devastating disaster

- A deadly earthquake measuring 7.7 magnitude struck central Myanmar on 28 March, killing over 3,500 people and injuring thousands more.
- Those who survived the terrifying earthquake now face a desperate humanitarian crisis.



- People are in urgent need of medical care, shelter, food and water, and access to safe sanitation and hygiene.
- Hospitals are so overwhelmed that injured patients are being treated in car parks and streets.
- Essential infrastructure like roads, electricity and internet have been severely damaged, making communication challenging.



## Tearfund's response

Right now, we're actively supporting our local partners in Myanmar to assess the extent of the damage and risk to communities.

#### Tearfund's partners are:

- Providing immediate cash assistance so people can buy food and other essentials
- Carrying out search and rescue efforts to find people trapped in the rubble





 Please pray for the people of Myanmar who have been affected by this catastrophic disaster. Ask God to be with the thousands of people mourning loved ones and bring comfort to those living with the after effects of this devastation.

# Pray for strength

Many people have lost loved ones. Many more have lost livelihoods. Today, pray they
don't lose hope. Search and rescue teams are attempting to find and free people
from the rubble. Pray that God grants safety to survivors who haven't been found,
and strength and perseverance to those working tirelessly to reach them.



In times of disaster, every second counts. With communications disrupted, please
pray that aid is delivered safely and essential supplies reach survivors of the deadly
earthquake quickly.

## Pray for Tearfund's partners

• Take time to pray over Tearfund's partners in the area. Ask that God continues to give strength, courage and resilience to our partners in Myanmar who are faithfully working to relieve the suffering of people affected.

God is our refuge and strength, an ever-present help in trouble.'

Psalm 46:1



Heavenly Father,

We come before you in this time of deep lament, as we mourn the loss of so many people to the deadly earthquake in Myanmar. We know this tragedy breaks your heart, and we pray that you comfort everyone affected by this disaster.

Please guide us in how we should each respond to this devastation. We ask that aid supplies quickly and safely reach those in desperate need – and that necessary repairs are made to the damaged infrastructure that threatens to slow down relief efforts.

As news of survivors and miraculous rescues come in, we ask that you continue to lay your loving hand over the area and the surrounding region – and bring a peace and healing that only you can.

In Jesus' name,

Amen

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