

# China



*He told them, "The harvest is plentiful, but the workers are few. Ask the Lord of the harvest, therefore, to send out workers into his harvest field."*

**Luke 10:2**

## Vision

China has millions of people who live and die, generation after generation, without meeting even one follower of Jesus. The vision of SIM China is to see people from all ethnic groups and languages in the less-reached regions of China worshipping around the throne of God.

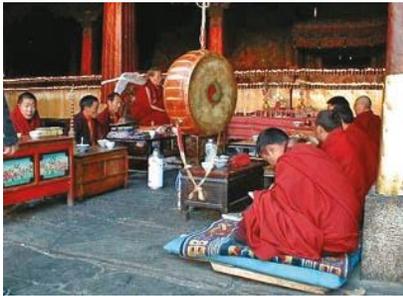
Pray that we will:

- be salt and light in the nation; praying for the country, the authorities, and all her peoples.
- build up the church in China, independent of racial and linguistic boundaries.
- take focused action to see the church emerge among ethnic communities where people are living and dying without the good news of Jesus.
- participate in the mobilisation and preparation of workers being sent to God's harvest fields around the world.

## Ministry

- Culture and language learning
- Friendship evangelism
- Church planting
- Disciple-making
- Teaching
- Business
- Equipping the church
- Health and compassion ministry

## Communities where Christ is least known



### Animists/ancestor worshippers

Many live in isolated rural areas, far from the major cities. They speak unwritten languages with no Bible. They need a Christian friend to share the good news with them in person.

### Hui Muslims

The largest Muslim people group in China, the Hui, number 11 to 20 million, with few known believers. There is a need for 'people of peace' who will welcome Jesus followers to their communities and families.

### Tibetan Buddhists

Trapped in spiritual darkness and fear, Tibetan Buddhists spend their lives trying to appease the spirits in order to gain merit for their future lives. Only the hope and freedom of the gospel can release them from their bondage.

### University students

Millions of young Chinese study at universities across the nation. In this formative period of their lives, they are open to new ideas and new friends. What an opportunity to share about Jesus!

### Uyghur Muslims

Fewer than 0.02 per cent of the 12 million Uyghur know Jesus. Only sustained prayer will break through the barriers that have isolated them from the gospel for centuries. Cultural, geographical, and spiritual barriers maintain that isolation even in the 21st century.

## Pray for

- more workers. We praise God for those who have joined us recently, but the task is urgent!
- spiritual breakthroughs amongst those who live without Christ in Western China.
- stable and sustainable visa options allowing long-term residence.
- favour with local officials.
- language learning, which is crucial for longevity and good communication.
- the personal spiritual lives of our workers — joy, strength, and wisdom for each day.

**If you would like to pray daily for the work God is doing around the world through SIM, you can download the SIM International prayer guide from [sim-uk.org/pg2018](http://sim-uk.org/pg2018).**

**Serving In Mission produces a weekly prayer email, which gives prayer points for every day and has stories from our mission workers and others. You can sign up to receive it at [sim.co.uk/SIMpray](http://sim.co.uk/SIMpray).**

**There are Serving In Mission prayer groups that meet monthly across the country. Please contact [linda@sim.co.uk](mailto:linda@sim.co.uk) for more information or to set up a group in your area.**

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