



Dear Friend,

Afghani men and women are making tearful pleas for help!

As I watched the shocking news of Afghanistan unfold, my mind quickly flashed back to the time my wife Agneta and I were at the Afghan, Pakistan border distributing food and blankets to some of the three million refugees who had fled the Soviet occupation of Afghanistan.

What had stood out for me was the tremendous humility and gentleness of the Afghan people despite their dire need and situation. I must say, both Agneta and I fell in love with these beautiful people!

My heart aches at this terrible situation today, following the Taliban takeover.



As a man, I was forbidden to approach Afghan women so my wife Agneta (left) distributed food and blankets to the women while I distributed aid to Afghan men.

I quickly wrote our contact to see how we can help and was happy to hear the missionaries had safely fled the country. Sadly, this is not the case for the many underground Christians who were not able to leave. I fear for the Christian women, children and families who are now under total Taliban control.

The interim Taliban government has shut down all Internet connections to eliminate contact with the outside world. But some cries for help came through other means.

Hakem, an Afghan believer in Jesus, witnessed first-hand the collapse of his country. The complete takeover by the Taliban has left Hakem and his family in devastation, searching for any comfort and strength. In desperation and panic, he called **ICnet.tv** pleading urgently:

"I live in Kabul. Please pray for us! We are desperate and have no place to go. We are believers in Jesus and need your prayers!"

Christians like Hakem, are in true and present danger living under severe persecution and real isolation. They feel there is little hope. Their cries for help are shut behind the closed walls.

In **Isaiah 43:19** we read that **God will make a way where there seems to be no way.**

God is able to find a way even in Afghanistan!

Will it be through me, or you?

Through **ICnet.tv** we are able to reach these lonely and desperate brothers and sisters in Christ. Because of 24/7 broadcasting that reaches Afghanistan, non-believers are also able to view and hear the Gospel message of hope during this time of insecurity and when all hope seems lost.

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- Afghans, especially the women and girls who are forbidden to leave their homes, have now a great opportunity to learn about Christ and the Bible while sheltering at home.
- Afghans who are experiencing depression, anxiety, are able to call the prayer lines 24-hours a day and receive immediate prayer and help.
- And for most Afghans, satellite TV is the only access they have to the Good News!



Women are being silenced from public life. They fear their future under the ever shifting Taliban Islamic rules.

A program in the Dari language is needed.

ICnet.tv programs in the Farsi language are blessing the Afghan people. But a new program in the Dari official language is needed in order to reach the 38 million people living in Afghanistan.

We are receiving so much positive feedback that we would like to start a weekly program called, "Salam Afghanistan" meaning "Hello Afghanistan," which will be hosted by a gifted Afghan pastor living in Germany. This new program also reaches the Afghan community outside the country. But most importantly, it is a great encouragement for our Christian believers in the underground Church inside Afghanistan.

Christian TV programming is key in leading devoted Muslims to Christ.

A new follower of Christ, **Zeynab**, recently called the station for prayer:

"We are a group of women living in Herat, who believe in Jesus and meet secretly, praying together. We watch ICnet.tv and receive much blessing from the Lord. Through your programs, many of our questions are answered. Our husbands are Islamic leaders in our city. Please pray for us and for our husbands!"



Please pray for the brave Afghan Christian women as they secretly meet to study God's Word.

Tearful pleas for help!

Please take a moment now and pray for brother Hakem and his family and for sister Zeynab's group of Christian women who bravely meet to pray and grow in Christ through our programs. Pray also, that through their devotion to the Lord, their husband's hearts would be reached, that they too would become followers of Christ.

Please consider giving generously to this important work that can reach the desperate, lost and hurting souls in Afghanistan with the saving Gospel of Jesus Christ; that no wall, no earthly ruler, and not even the Taliban can stop!

I hope to hear from you soon.

Together in His Ministry,

Yes Paul, I am excited about the new opportunity to reach the Afghan people with the good news of Jesus Christ.

- ☐ **Use my gift where most needed**
- ☐ For "Hello Afghanistan" in Dari language
- ☐ \$50 ☐ \$100 ☐ \$300 ☐ \$500 ☐ Other: \$ _____
- ☐ I will pray for Hakem's family, Zeynab's women's group and other underground Christians in Afghanistan.



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Please Help!

The importance of Christian broadcasting into Afghanistan

Afghan women are being silenced from public life, indefinitely banned from schools and prohibited to return to work. They fear of the return of extreme Islamic teachings, brutal beatings and punishments as the Taliban rules keep shifting.

Women need the comfort of Christian teaching. Men need to hear Christ's message of love, before Islamic teachings permeate families and give rise to the subjugating of wives, women and girls and justification of beatings.

Hearts need to be transformed.