



JSL Bible Prayer Calendar May 2026

FRIDAY

SATURDAY

SUNDAY

MONDAY

TUESDAY

WEDNESDAY

THURSDAY

<p>3</p> <p>Bookkeeping: Japan has a long public holiday in early May. Pray that staff salaries will be paid before the bank closures.</p>	<p>4</p> <p>Revelation: Pray for our comprehension checking with non-Christians on the May 11-13, focusing on how we can best present abstract ideas in chapters 1 and 2.</p>	<p>5</p> <p>Revelation: Pray that after the comprehension check, our team will be able to make more progress on the translation.</p>	<p>6</p> <p>JSL Bible aims to finish translation of the NT by 2032. Pray for the physical and mental health, stamina, skills, financial resources, and human resources that we need.</p>	<p>7</p> <p>1 Cor.: Give thanks for our effective new workflow. We have submitted ch 8-10 to the consultant. Pray as we follow the same process for ch 11-12.</p>	<p>1</p> <p>Give thanks that we received a large amount of donations around Easter.</p>	<p>2</p> <p>Pray for board members serving in their various churches.</p>
<p>10</p> <p>Most of our staff members work in multiple roles and responsibilities. Pray that they can efficiently manage their respective tasks.</p>	<p>11</p> <p>Hebrews: We did a remote comprehension check with Christian participants. Give thanks that we were able to have folks join from all over Japan.</p>	<p>12</p> <p>Hebrews: After revisions the draft will be sent to our translation consultant for final checks. Pray as we plan to do the final recording this summer.</p>	<p>13</p> <p>Pray that opportunities to participate in churches, Bible study groups, and Christian events would increase within Japan.</p>	<p>14</p> <p>WOW "The Messenger Inside a Fish" and "Jesus Calmed a Storm": Give thanks for the feedback from our comprehension check on April 6.</p>	<p>15</p> <p>WOW "The Messenger Inside a Fish" and "Jesus Calmed a Storm": Pray as we make further revisions and prepare for final recording.</p>	<p>16</p> <p>Pray for the health of our translation consultant, as he travels to support many translation projects, not only for the JSL Bible but also in other countries and regions.</p>
<p>17</p> <p>We are encouraged and strengthened by the many who pray for the prayer requests we send out each month. Please pray for God's blessing on them.</p>	<p>18</p> <p>Give thanks for staff members who organize our monthly workshops, and pray that lessons learned at these sessions will carry over into work and personal life as well.</p>	<p>19</p> <p>On May 21, we have a remote meeting with our leadership team and board members. May the Lord use each employee and executive as they work with JSL Bible.</p>	<p>20</p> <p>Give thanks for our admin assistant who makes sure the office is well organized and other staff members can focus on their tasks.</p>	<p>21</p> <p>Pray for a new sign language checker on staff, supporting signers in producing natural, high-quality expressions while encouraging their independence.</p>	<p>22</p> <p>Pray for the health of our staff members as this is a time of year where many struggle with allergies and other seasonal sensitivities.</p>	<p>23</p> <p>Pray that the ministry of JSL Bible will be passed on to the next generation of workers, and that we can gain supporters of a younger demographic.</p>
<p>24</p> <p>Pray for more Deaf sign language Bible translation consultants to be trained.</p>	<p>25</p> <p>WOW "Miraculous Change": Last month, we shared the draft video with other translation teams and received feedback. Pray as we continue to make further revisions this month.</p>	<p>26</p> <p>Preliminary drafts for the Proverbs have progressed up to chapter 17 and 18. Give thanks for those who are collaborating with us to work on these drafts.</p>	<p>27</p> <p>Give thanks for those who have taken an interest in JSL Bible's activities and have visited our office. It reminds us of the importance of our work.</p>	<p>28</p> <p>Pray that through the JSL Bible Instagram, we can build stronger connections with the younger generation and attract more supporters from around the world.</p>	<p>29</p> <p>Give thanks for our Sign Language Name Selection Committee who have chosen the sign names of two OT characters in Hebrews, and five church names in Revelation.</p>	<p>30</p> <p>Pray for all the pastors of Deaf churches, and every Deaf person who will attend a church service this weekend. May they be blessed by the Word of God in their heart language.</p>
<p>31</p> <p>Pray that more exegetical resources will be made available in Japanese or Japanese Sign Language, as much of what we work with is in English.</p>	<p><i>These prayer requests come from the team in Tokyo. Thank you for your prayers on their behalf.</i></p>	<p><i>WOW: Words of Wisdom. a Bible stories picture book series published by the Hong Kong Bible Society.</i></p>	<p><i>Sign Language Name Selection Committee: a group of Deaf pastors who help decide on new sign names needed for translation.</i></p>			