



### Prayers for spiritual growth

TWR Women of Hope Portugal began in 2007 and has grown to a team of eight, distributing the Women of Hope program through six FM radio stations and various audio platforms. They also hold online prayer meetings and actively use social media to reach women. Portugal has a strong Catholic tradition but is gradually becoming more secularized, so they are trying to use every tool at their disposal to spread the message of Christ's love and hope.



카카오톡 채널에서 '소망의 여인들' 채널을 추가하시면  
매주 월요일에 기도카드를 받으실 수 있습니다.

1. Lord, may new believers in Albania be discipled within their local churches so that they can mature and grow in their relationship with you. (Matt. 28:19)
2. God, may Christian women leaders in Benin who are persecuted because of their faith hold fast to you and be bold and courageous. (2 Tim. 3:12)
3. Father, destroy the religious spirit and stronghold of legalism in Botswana that hinders Christians from experiencing loving intimacy with you. (2 Cor. 10:4-5)
4. Father, may Brazilian Christian women long to know you and your Word, desire to imitate Jesus' life and teachings, and testify of your salvation (2 Tim. 3:15-17)
5. The women of China's Hui ethnic group generally have low status in their communities. Lord, may the gospel penetrate and transform their lives. (Gal. 3:28)
6. As Christian families in the Congo face rising mental-health issues, may they look to you, Lord, and be open to counseling that provides healing and support. (Rom. 12:2)
7. May Christian women in Denmark gain wisdom from you, God, to discern true preaching from false so their faith remains strong. (Matt. 7:15-16)
8. May women immersed in Christian ministry and leadership in the Dominican Republic depend totally on your power and grace, Lord. (2 Cor. 12:9)
9. May women in Eswatini discover their spiritual gifts and talents and use them to serve you, God, and influence their families, church, community, politics and country. (Prov. 31:26)
10. Lord, strengthen and give hope to young Ethiopian mothers who have been deserted by their husbands and are raising their children alone due to fistula. (Isa. 40:31)
11. Many young women in Finland are interested in spirituality but seek it in sources other than Christianity. Lord, give our leaders the opportunity and wisdom to guide these women to you and your Holy Spirit. (Matt. 5:16)
12. God, we pray that migrant women in Germany hear about Jesus and get encouragement in their spiritual growth from German churches. (Rom. 10:17)
13. Strengthen Indonesian believers who have experienced terrorism from extremists associated with the dominant religion. Father, enable these believers to remain steadfast in their faith. (1 Cor. 15:58)
14. Through intimate communion with God, may Japanese Christian women bear spiritual fruit, mature in their faith and in the knowledge of Christ, and become like him. (Eph. 4:11-16)
15. May Korean Christian women ministers make daily time with you, God, a top priority and be an example in their lives and characters to lead others. (Eph. 6:10)
16. Empower Mongolian Christian women, God, to use your Word to bring their children to spiritual maturity and prepare them to be true followers of Jesus. (Deut. 11:19)
17. Christians in Myanmar frequently encounter persecution due to ongoing civil unrest. Lord, please protect them, provide safe shelter and strengthen them with your presence. (Ps. 91:1-2)

17. Despite living in the Western world where people are free to attend church, many women in the Netherlands struggle to make time to worship the Lord. Pray that they will devote their lives to Jesus. (Joel 2:13)
19. God, help Norwegian Christian women to seek time in your Word daily, letting it guide and transform their lives. May your Word shape their attitudes and actions. (Ps. 119:105)
20. Lord, empower church leaders in Papua New Guinea to promote unity and reconciliation as they facilitate dialogue and peace among conflicting groups and communities. (Eph. 4:3)
21. Father, we pray that Christian women in Portugal will hunger and thirst for you. May you draw them to your Word and to intimacy with you. (Ps. 19:7-11)
22. Father, strengthen Romanian Christian women to rightly prioritize their lives so they may live according to your will and have a godly influence on their families, churches and communities. (1 Pet. 3:1-6)
23. Pray for inner-city churches in South Africa to reach out to those living around them, especially single mothers, offering them hope in Jesus. (Phil. 2:4)
24. Awaken Christians in Spain, Lord, to see the opportunities you are providing to have meaningful spiritual conversations with people around them. (Eph. 2:10)
25. God, strengthen women in the Tanzanian islands to stand firm and not be shaken in their faith as they face intimidation to convert to a different religion to gain employment. (Gal. 5:1)
26. Lord, we pray for leadership development and theological education for church leaders in Timor-Leste. Empower them with knowledge and resources to effectively address modern challenges. (2 Tim. 2:2)
27. In Uruguay, families selling drugs to make a living results in young people dying in drug disputes. Destroy the stronghold of drugs, Father, and open their eyes to your better way. (Eph. 6:13-18)
28. Lord, grant ethnic minority Christians in Vietnam unshakeable faith and courage to stand firm against threats and coercion, resisting pressure to renounce their faith and return to traditional beliefs. (Isa. 41:10)

## **“Encouragement and Hope to a New Generation”**

*- By Sónia Simões, Portugal national coordinator-*

If you're a woman, regardless of where you live in the world, you've probably felt affected by some of these issues: gender fairness in employment, reconciling work and family, gender-based violence, fairness in health and education, cultural prejudices, and gender stereotypes. Portugal is no exception, for these are the main difficulties affecting women here also. TWR Women of Hope began in Portugal in 2007 and was called Project Hannah at that time. Although it began timidly as a radio program with a team of only two people, it quickly became a reference program for women that was broadcast on 11 secular FM radio stations. In 2020, even during the pandemic, the ministry grew and had a great impact. We became a five-person team, four of whom are volunteers. The programs have gone from 30 to 15 minutes and the topics covered are aimed at a younger age group that is making crucial life decisions. At the moment, our team has eight women, and the Women of Hope program is on six FM radio stations. The number of stations has been reduced due to high broadcasting costs. We are also on audio platforms such as Spotify, Google podcast, TWR360, YouTube and TWR Portugal's web radio. Every two months we hold online prayer meetings with women from different parts of the country, during which we pray through the global prayer calendar. We actively reach out over the social networks Instagram, Facebook and TikTok because approximately 80% of women in Portugal regularly use social media. These play an important role in communication, entertainment and information. We want to be where women can see, hear and meet us, bringing a message of encouragement and hope in Christ. Portugal is a religious country, with a strong Catholic heritage that has shaped many aspects of its culture, society and history. As in the rest of Europe, there is a growing trend toward secularization and religious diversity, especially among younger people. It's time to use all the tools at our disposal to convey the message of the good news, to show women that they are loved, that they are not alone, and that Christ's love can reach them regardless of who they are, where they are or what they do.

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