



## Creative Prayer Idea: Musical Countries

This Musical Countries activity is a fun way to pray for countries and communities around the world. It is an invitation to pray for Baptist Mission Australia intercultural team members and the communities they serve, while also being active.

### Who is this for?

You can participate in this activity as a small group or whole congregation. It is perfect for children and youth but can be enjoyed by adults as well. Please modify this activity as needed to ensure people of all abilities in your community can participate.

### How to participate

Place names of countries on the floor around your space. When music is playing, move around the world... but when it stops, land on a nearby country and pray for the local people and intercultural team members who are there. Pray for God to be at work, for communities to thrive and for the fruit of intercultural teams.

1. Split participants into groups of 5-10.
2. Place or write names of the countries Baptist Mission Australia teams serve on the floor / ground. (You can print out the country names from the following pages or use chalk to write them on the ground outside.) Spread countries out in any configuration (E.g. circle or random) but make sure they are not too far apart.
3. Leader starts music and participants move between the country names. Each round could have a different method of movement, for instance hopping, skipping, walking backwards or closing your eyes and being led by someone else. When the music stops (or the leader simply chooses to say “stop”), participants stop on the closest country name.
4. Participants have 1-2 minutes to pray for that country and our intercultural team in groups. Provide information for each country, use the Walk the World Intercultural Teams Prayer Guide or simply share the following general prayer points to help participants pray. For each country, pray for:
  - » **Intercultural team members:** Pray that they will continue to form meaningful and Spirit-led relationships with local people. Pray for opportunities to share stories from the Bible.
  - » **Healthcare and education systems:** Pray for all people to be able to access nutritious food, safe drinking water, shelter, healthcare and education. Pray for people of all ages to be able to thrive and reach their full potential.
  - » **Followers of Jesus:** Pray that local believers will continue to grow in their faith and understanding of God’s Word. Pray for faith leaders to be equipped.
  - » **Seekers:** Pray for those who are Gospel curious and open to exploring who Jesus is. Pray for God to place believers into their lives.

**Mozambique**

**Thailand**

**Malawi**

**Cambodia**

**Silk Road  
Area**

**Vietnam**

**South Asia**

**Australia**

**South East  
Asia**

**India**