



Welcome to a new feature for 2018. MEBO Monthly Prayer Focus is your opportunity to pray for the work of God's kingdom in Lebanon and the Middle East. Every month we will focus on a different aspect of the ministries you can support through MEBO, providing you with information and prayer points so you can pray with insight. Please use this resource to pray with your Community Group, your dorm floor, globally-minded friends, pastoral leadership, believing neighbors and colleagues, and also in your personal quiet time. Invite your parents, children, or grandchildren to pray, too. *Thank you for your prayers!*

February 2018: Healing children's emotional wounds

Life has been incredibly tough for many of the children and teens who attend camps run by Baptist Children and Youth Ministry (BCYM) in Lebanon. Some are Syrian and Iraqi refugees who have witnessed the horrors of war and now live in poverty and insecurity with their families. Others, like those at the Home of Hope in Beirut, have been removed from difficult family situations for their own protection. Through its camps and follow-up events, local BCYM volunteers come alongside these troubled and traumatized young people, giving them access to age-appropriate recreation, crafts, and sports, and equipping them with relationships and tools to begin healing their emotional wounds. BCYM volunteers are specially trained to share Jesus' transcendent message of love and hope with children teens of all ages, cultures, and social backgrounds.



Please pray for:

- A children's camp from 8-10 February for kids ages 8 to 13 that all of those who attend will experience genuine joy, the love of BCYM volunteers, and that all attending and serving will be transformed through it.
- Wisdom, discernment, and physical and emotional stamina for the BCYM Camp Volunteer Team as it ministers to children and teens with challenging habits and behaviors due to trauma, abandonment, and abuse they have experienced.
- BCYM's Follow-Up Volunteer Team who regularly visit the families of kids and teens who attend BCYM events. Pray that these special volunteers will build enduring relationships with traumatizedfamilies and that Jesus will open doors for healing and transformation in their homes.
- Children and teens living at Home of Hope Orphanage, especially those who feel alone and abandoned due to their family circumstances.



