

PRAY THE NEWS

South Sudan, the world's youngest nation, is once again facing the threat of widespread conflict.

On 4 August 2025, South Sudan's First Vice President Riek Machar was charged with treason, murder, and crimes against humanity. His detention raises concerns about due process and the stability of the 2018 peace deal he helped broker.

Violence is surging again in Jonglei, Upper Nile, and Western Equatoria, displacing thousands. In Leer County, civilians report attacks, looting, and sexual violence.

Over 9 million people need humanitarian aid. Flooding from heavy rains is worsening hunger and isolating communities, especially in Unity State. More than 7 million face acute food insecurity.

Aid workers report harassment and violence, with MSF suspending operations in Leer in April. Elections have been delayed and The UN warns the peace process is at risk of unraveling.

TODAY, WE PRAY THE NEWS FOR SOUTH SUDAN

- We pray for peace, justice, and protection for all South Sudanese, especially those displaced or living in areas affected by new violence.
- We pray for political leaders to choose dialogue over conflict, and for international actors to support genuine peace and accountability efforts.
- We pray for humanitarian access to be restored and expanded, so that food, healthcare, and shelter can reach those in greatest need.