



Intercede for the Muslim World!

...hope in the Lord! For with the Lord there is steadfast love, and with him is plentiful redemption (Psalm 130:7, ESV).

Today's Prayer Requests: *From Students, Alumni, and Missionaries*

The Lord hears our prayers! Here are some encouraging reports and continuing requests:

BURKINA FASO: An alumnus writes: “Just a word to encourage you in this ministry. A sister in Christ has informed me that this past week an important *Hadji* [a Muslim who has made the pilgrimage to Mecca] and his family have turned to Jesus.” Pray that this man and his family would grow in their new faith and that their lives would influence others to seek salvation.

MALI: For many months we have prayed for the establishment of the center for the *garibu* boys, who are under the tutelage of Muslim teachers, and especially for favor in the community. A worker writes: “Our Garibu center...is set to officially open over the next month. A recent meeting with local authorities went extremely well, with them giving their blessings to our efforts.” Please continue to pray for more dedicated volunteers to help at the center, and that the boys would find here a refuge of love and peace.

TOGO: In April a student asked us to intercede for a Muslim couple in the town where he pastors. They had lost their first four babies before birth, and doctors and Muslim priests could offer no help. The couple asked this pastor to pray for the safe delivery of this fifth child. He reports that on April 28 the wife gave birth to a healthy baby boy! Pray that this answered prayer and manifestation of God's love for them would bring them to a decision to serve Him alone.

Last September we prayed for four new churches planted in a Muslim-dominated area by a Togolese evangelism team. The team returned in December to baptize more than 50 who had been discipled over the past months—among them a 100-year-old woman who started a new life! One congregation was not able to continue meeting, but the pastor in this area reports that three churches continue under trained lay leaders. Social pressures keep many secret believers, called “Nicodemus” Christians, at home, but workers meet with them to study the Bible. Children who attend services are sometimes beaten by their parents. Please pray for our brothers and sisters here, that they would remain firm in their faith. Pray for the leaders; two are planning to enter Bible school for further training.

In the News

Greek police have begun shutting down the makeshift Idomeni camp on the closed Macedonia-Greece border, where some 8,500 refugees have been living. A couple working full-time on this border have met many new followers of Jesus among the crowds. For months now they have shared God's message of love, prayed with people from many nations, and hosted ministry teams from North America and Europe. Please pray: (1) for these refugees as they move, some to newly established camps within Greece, some even back home, that the Holy Spirit would work in the life of each according to his needs; (2) for strength for the couple working here, and that they might have opportunity for a much-needed break; and (3) for their continued work among refugees who still live along the highway near them.

Prayer Resources

For the 2016 World Watch List of countries where Christians are most persecuted, see <http://bit.ly/1TgZmcr>.

Global Initiative is a ministry of Assemblies of God World Missions, USA. Visit <http://globalinitiativeinfo.com/> for information about praying for Muslims and weekly requests.

Muslim women need your prayers! You can join a prayer network and receive regular requests at <http://sayhelloinfo.com/>.

For suggestions on starting a prayer group, see <http://waastjumaa.blogspot.com/2016/04/waast-jumaa-prayer-groups.html>

For news updates concerning persecuted Christians, visit <http://morningstarnews.org/>, <http://worldwatchmonitor.org/>, <http://www.prisoneralert.com/>, and <http://www.releaseinternational.org/>.

For prayer requests, visit <http://www.opendoorsusa.org/pray/> and <http://www.persecution.com/public/pray.aspx>.

To help you answer Muslims' questions about God's Word, see <http://www.unchangingword.com/> and <http://answeringislam.org/>.