



## **Intercede for the Muslim World!**

*Be still, and know that I am God; I will be exalted among the nations, I will be exalted in the earth (Ps. 46:10)*

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

**BURKINA FASO:** An alumnus and WAASST professor shares these observations and prayer requests from his nation:

The Muslim community is growing stronger both in numbers and in influence in politics, economics, and social life. Little by little, this is eroding the freedoms that Christians have enjoyed. It has become more difficult for churches to obtain land. In one case, a Muslim who wanted land on which a church stood presented a false document that superseded the title that the pastor held. While the judge admitted to the pastor that his title was legitimate, he ruled in favor of the Muslim, and a mosque was built on this land. ***Please pray that churches would have favor in obtaining and retaining land for churches and ministries.***

Though Muslims are integrated in the towns and cities and do not have their own neighborhoods, there are some areas where they effectively dominate. Their calls to prayer blare out over loudspeakers, but they seek to prevent churches from making noise even during the day. ***Pray that God would give wisdom to pastors to deal with such conflicts in love, and that He would work in the hearts of those opposing the Church.***

Assemblies of God churches around the country pray for the salvation of Muslims and encourage their members to reach out to them. Many provide teaching to help Christians witness to their Muslim neighbors. ***Pray that the Lord would honor their prayers, giving them wisdom and opportunities to share the message of salvation.***

The Burkina Faso Assemblies of God operates more than 1,000 primary, junior high, and high schools around the country. Many of their students are from Muslim families. ***Pray that these students, as they open each day in prayer, attend chapel services, and watch the lives of their Christian teachers, would come to know the Lord and be used to reach their families.***

### **2016 World Watch List: Maldives\***

Ranking 13<sup>th</sup> in the list of 50 nations where Christians suffer the most persecution, the island nation of the Maldives is officially Islamic and tolerates no other religion. Even the few expatriate Christians are monitored and can meet only in embassies in the capital city. Our brothers and sisters here number perhaps a few hundred and must keep their faith secret if they want to remain citizens. Intercede for them, that the Holy Spirit would help them grow, that they would find fellowship and opportunities to read God's Word and touch those around them. See <http://bit.ly/1CkgBiX>.

### **From Global Initiative\*\***

Intercede for Indonesian believers from Muslim backgrounds who desire wisdom in expressing their faith to Muslim family members and neighbors. *Though Indonesia's government guarantees freedom of religion, many who leave Islam come under great pressure from their families to renounce Christ. Pray also for children and youth in Christian families as they face discrimination in schools, where Islam dominates. Pray they would have wonderful opportunities to share their faith with classmates.*

### **For Muslim Women\*\*\***

Please pray that new and returning Muslim university students will have hearts that are open to Christian friendships.

### **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/>, 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/>.