



## Intercede for the Muslim World!

*Come, let us bow down in worship, let us kneel before the Lord our Maker; for he is our God... (Ps. 95:6-7a, NIV).*

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

**CAMEROON:** A student requests prayer for northern Cameroon. People live in fear of terrorist attacks, and many have fled and some churches have closed. Intercede for the pastors and believers there, who offer the only Source of hope, that the Spirit would use them mightily to share Jesus. Pray for the Boko Haram jihadists behind these attacks, that they would have revelations of Jesus and for their salvation.

*As Islam makes inroads into West and Central Africa, Muslims have increasingly gained government positions and influence in nations that have had a strong Christian witness and are considered majority Christian. This past week we received several requests to pray for these nations:*

**GHANA:** Pray for God's intervention in the opening of a new national mosque, under construction since 2012 and financed by Turkey. The huge complex houses a teacher's training school, high school, conference center, clinic, and more. Pray that the completion of this project would be thwarted and the influence it would have on the society nullified. *Pray for the leadership of Ghana (the President is an Assemblies of God member), for wisdom in building relationships with other nations and working with Muslims within the government.*

**LIBERIA:** A Liberia Assemblies of God leader calls for prayer for his nation, once named a Christian state but now a secular state since 1985. A 2015 study ordered by the government revealed that the majority of Liberians favor a Christian state, but the proposition to return to this status was rejected. Liberia's leaders are supportive of Islam and have placed several Muslims in high positions. In 2005, a Muslim minister removed the duty-free status on materials for churches. "When we pray," says this pastor, "we should pray for revival in Liberia, especially in the public offices, so that Liberia returns to her Christian heritage."

**NIGERIA:** A student asks us to join Nigerian believers in prayer concerning the increasing Islamization of this majority-Christian nation. *President Buhari is a Muslim and is adding fellow Muslims to his government. For further commentary about this issue as it concerns Christians, see <http://bit.ly/2cqVXS3>.*

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

Nearly all of the 5.3 million people in this desert country in Central Asia adhere to Islam, and to the repressive dictates of their President, who wields tremendous power over them. Only the Russian Orthodox Church can function, and these congregations are closely monitored. Those who accept Christ come under pressure to return to Islam or lose their jobs and social privileges. Holding Christian meetings or owning Christian literature is punishable by fines or arrest. Pray for our brothers and sisters here (an estimated 40,000 evangelical believers), that they may walk in the strength and wisdom of the Holy Spirit and find fellowship with others. Pray for the salvation of President Berdymukhamedov, who will one day acknowledge that Jesus is Lord. See more at <http://bit.ly/1jPENWm>.

### 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/>.