

Intercede for the Muslim World!

Love does not delight in evil but rejoices with the truth. It always protects, always trusts, always hopes, always perseveres (1 Cor. 13:6-7, NIV).

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

CENTRAL AFRICAN REPUBLIC: This past week dozens were killed in 2 attacks by Seleka rebels, and over the past month thousands more have been displaced. The Muslim Seleka, who ousted CAR's president in 2013, was disbanded but actually still controls much of the country's eastern half. Pray for God's intervention in the lives of these fighters. According to a student, "things are so confusing that it's hard to know what to say. The church [in Bangui] has not been affected except in the case of a worker, a sister whose father was burned alive. We really need to pray for the church." Pray that believers living in the camps in Bangui and elsewhere would be salt and light there.

CHAD (update): A few weeks ago we prayed concerning the church connected to the AG Bible school here. The owner of their rented property demanded that they pay double rent or vacate the land by the end of September. Because another produced the money, the owner sold the land. The church is paying double rent this month to continue meeting. Pray that the Lord would lead them to new and even better property that they can purchase and to which they can move the tabernacle before November.

GHANA: Pray for a former Muslim whom a student recently led to the Lord, as he faces pressure to return to Islam. This new believer also asks for prayer for the salvation of his two sons, and that the Lord would allow him and his wife to have more children. Pray that this entire family may be firmly established as part of the family of God.

NIGER: Last Friday a Christian worker from the US was kidnapped from his home in central Niger and last seen being taken toward Mali. Threats against expatriates, particularly whites, are increasing. Please pray for God's protection over those who serve in Niger. Pray for the release of this worker and for the salvation of his captors.

A new school year has begun for more than 1800 children in the Assemblies of God school system in one town. Pray for a peaceful and successful school year, and for protection over the directors and workers. May these children grow both academically and spiritually.

NIGERIA: A student asks us to pray concerning the influx of Muslims into his village and area. Where there was previously no such influence, he says, they are seeing mosques built and people gathering for prayer. Please pray that the Lord would use the chiefs, who must give authorization, to resist this incursion. May God use His people there to demonstrate His love to these new neighbors, that they may truly find the God they seek.

In the News

Twenty-one of the girls kidnapped from their high school in Chibok, Nigeria, have been released by Boko Haram and were reunited with their families this past Sunday. The government is negotiating the release of more than 80 more. But another 104 say they do not want to leave, as they have embraced Islam or fear being stigmatized at home. Intercede for these released girls; the few that have returned home are marginalized and feared. Pray for total healing, physically, emotionally, and spiritually, and for their futures. Pray for the release of those still held, and that those who have been radicalized would be reminded by the Holy Spirit of God's love for them.

Prayer Resources

For the 2016 World Watch List of the 50 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://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://answeringislam.org/.