



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

*I have other sheep that are not of this sheep pen. I must bring them also. They too will listen to my voice, and there shall be one flock and one shepherd (John 10:16, NIV).*

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

**BENIN:** Pray for two young men who, through their participation in a Jumaa Prayer group in their church, are pursuing God's call to full-time ministry. One has begun his Bible school training; the other is serving an internship with a pastor and will begin Bible school next year. Pray the Lord will bless their studies and ministry, and that He will raise up more who will commit to go to those less reached.

**SIERRA LEONE:** In a recent conference on the Holy Spirit and missions, the Assemblies of God of Sierra Leone set a goal of opening 250 new churches and sending out 50 home missionaries over the next 4 years. Most of the 14 less-reached people groups here follow Islam. Please pray that the Lord would prepare the way before these missionaries and church planters and work on hearts in advance in resistant communities. Pray for miraculous favor in purchasing land for new works, as this is usually very difficult in these areas.

#### ***In the News***

Intercede for an Assemblies of God pastor, his wife, and their 9 children on the island of Zanzibar, off the coast of Tanzania. After warning the pastor through leaflets and phone messages to stop evangelizing, suspected Muslim extremists burnt down their home on August 13. No one was injured, but the family lost their home and goods and much of the church's equipment stored there. They are still homeless, sleeping on the floor of the church, and their 9-month-old baby has contracted pneumonia. Pray that the Lord would provide a home and meet every need, heal their baby, and use this situation to bring still more into His kingdom. See the story at <http://bit.ly/2dSR77S>.

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

This island nation in the South China Sea is number 30 in the list of nations where Christians suffer the most persecution. Though Islam is the state religion, Malaysia has been tolerant toward other religions. This is changing, however. Most of the Christians here are ethnic Chinese or Indian, and they have been facing more discrimination on the basis of both race and religion. Malay believers from Muslim families may be excommunicated or sent to camps to be re-indoctrinated into Islam. Pray for our brothers and sisters here, that they would stand firm in their faith. Pray for the 800+ Assemblies of God churches as they reach out to all groups. See more at <http://bit.ly/2d2H2Xk>.

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

Pray for the protection of Muslim background believers in Mauritania, where it is against the law to convert. *More than 99% of the 4 million people in this desert nation follow Islam.*

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

Pray that the Gospel message proclaimed in compassion outreaches would find its home in the hearts of Muslim women. *Whether it's helping refugee families with food, offering medical help, providing a well for a community, or other ministry, these acts that affect the body also touch the heart. Pray that women would clearly hear and grasp the message that Jesus cares for them in this life and wants to give them eternal life with Him.*

#### ***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://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/>.