

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

I will lead the blind by ways they have not known, along unfamiliar paths I will guide them; I will turn the darkness into light before them and make the rough places smooth. These are the things I will do; I will not forsake them (Is 42:16).

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

**GABON:** Please pray concerning the growing influence of Islam in Gabon, a predominately Christian (mainly Catholic) nation in Central Africa. Though Muslims make up only about 7% of the population, more are coming in, especially from Senegal, Mali, and other West African nations. According to an alumnus, their influence is seen in the growing number of shops they run, mosques, and economic enticements such as scholarships for youth to study in Saudi Arabia. Pray for the Assemblies of God of Gabon as they seek God's direction as to how to effectively reach these people. The president of Gabon, a Muslim, is working with leaders in Morocco to further islamize the nation. Pray that the Lord would reveal himself to these leaders.

**EQUATORIAL GUINEA:** This small country lies to the north of Gabon. An alumnus notes that his nation is seeing similar growth of Islam in the economy and society. EG is also home to some 165,000 Muslim Hausa people. Pray that churches and believers would sense a growing burden to reach out to those they have contact with, and for opportunities and wisdom in doing so.

**NIGER:** An alumnus and leader of the Assemblies of God in Niger reports that, despite the constant threat of jihadist attacks, churches continue their activities freely. Security is high, however; in his own church people must go through a scanner before they enter, and sometimes armed police are called upon. He notes that Western missionaries must be especially careful and at times the AG has asked them to relocate for their protection. Pray for God's protection over His people and for wisdom as they continue to do His work. The churches are well-respected; pray that this favor and freedom continues.

#### In the News

On Friday, November 18, some 50,000 Iraqi Christians will gather in Erbil, Iraq, for a day of prayer for their nation. Most are from Mosul and surrounding villages. Some of these villages have recently been freed from ISIS control, allowing many to return home, and operations to free Mosul are ongoing. This "Live Agape ChristDay" will be broadcast into many Arab nations. Pray that the testimonies and messages that will go out would touch those attending and those watching on television. Pray for our Iraqi brothers and sisters, that they might be filled with God's strength and joy and shine in the midst of conflict. For more information and prayer requests, see <a href="http://bit.ly/2fwuklf">http://bit.ly/2fwuklf</a>.

#### From Global Initiative\*

Pray for Christian believers in Diyarbakir, Turkey, as they respond compassionately to Muslims fleeing from the Kobanne area of Syria. Pray they might use wisely every opportunity to explain the love of God as they demonstrate it through helping those who have lost homes and hope.

### **Prayer Resources**

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

For the 2016 World Watch List of the 50 countries where Christians are most persecuted, see http://bit.ly/1TgZmcr.

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 <a href="http://waastjumaa.blogspot.com/2016/04/waast-jumaa-prayer-groups.html">http://waastjumaa.blogspot.com/2016/04/waast-jumaa-prayer-groups.html</a>.

For news updates concerning persecuted Christians, visit <a href="http://morningstarnews.org/">http://worldwatchmonitor.org/</a>, and <a href="http://www.releaseinternational.org/">http://www.releaseinternational.org/</a>.

For prayer requests, visit <a href="http://www.opendoorsusa.org/pray/">http://www.opendoorsusa.org/pray/</a> and <a href="http://www.opendoorsusa.org/pray

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