

Intercede for the Muslim World!

For this is the will of my Father, that everyone who looks on the Son and believes in him should have eternal life, and I will raise him up on the last day (John 6:40, ESV).

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

NIGER: Sixteen men and women graduated this week from New Covenant Bible Institute, founded and directed by a WAAST alumnus. Please pray for them as they continue to follow God's direction for their ministries in this majority-Muslim nation.

WEST and CENTRAL AFRICA: As WAAST students and alumni hold Christmas services and activities in their churches, please pray (1) that the Lord would protect His people as they gather to worship; (2) that Muslims who are curious would hear through Christmas activities in the community or local media the story of Jesus' birth, and consider His relationship to God the Father; (3) for divine opportunities to share the message of Christmas personally with seekers.

In the News

Please pray for our brothers and sisters, who number only a few thousand, in the North Africa nation of **Tunisia**. Islamic extremism is growing, and several high-profile jihadis have been trained here and then masterminded or carried out attacks both in this country and in Europe. German police are currently seeking a Tunisian suspected of driving a lorry into a Christmas market in Berlin earlier this week. Pray for those involved with the Islamic State, that the Holy Spirit would confront them. Please pray also for university students who have accepted Jesus, that they would grow strong in their faith and witness. For a guide to praying for Tunisia, see http://bit.ly/2h3Zai4; for current specific requests, see the Facebook page https://www.facebook.com/Pray4Tunisia/?fref=ts.

2016 World Watch List: Niger 49/50*

The West African nation of Niger is ranked 49th of the 50 nations where Christians face the most persecution. Although the government in this 95% Muslim nation gives churches freedom to minister, the presence of Boko Haram and other extremist groups are a constant threat. Muslim converts are often persecuted by family members. Please pray for the 70 Assemblies of God churches and other evangelical churches and their various ministries, which include radio programs, social and health ministries, and schools. Pray for God's protection over the Western believers working in the country, who are watched and threatened by extremist groups.

From Global Initiative**

Pray for Christians radio broadcasts geared to the needs of Muslim women, many of whom live very secluded lives.

Prayer Resources

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

**Global Initiative is a ministry of Assemblies of God World Missions, USA. Visit <u>http://globalinitiativeinfo.com/</u> 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 <u>http://morningstarnews.org/</u>, <u>http://worldwatchmonitor.org/</u>, and <u>http://www.releaseinternational.org/</u>.

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/.