

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

Do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewal of your mind, that by testing you may discern what is the will of God, what is good and acceptable and perfect (Ro 12:2, ESV).

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

**NORTHERN TOGO:** A student serving in a northern city asks for prayer for several new believers: "When I returned home from the school session, four gave their lives to Christ. Among the four, one has left because of persecution. One was a backslider who has now come back, along with her husband. It's been 1½ months, and they are standing firm despite the persecution." Intercede for this one who has gone back to her former religion. Pray that the others would continue to grow in their faith, and for wisdom for this pastor as he disciples them.

**SIERRA LEONE:** WAAST students from this mostly-Muslim nation affirm that practically everyone has Muslim family members, and in most cases they themselves left Islam to follow Jesus. Let's pray with them that, as they have experienced, "God would remove the scales from [the Muslims'] eyes so that they can receive the Truth." May each of these students and alumni be positive witnesses to their Muslim family members and neighbors.

#### In the News

Though Muslims are a minority in **Uganda**, they are gaining strength in the east and are becoming more aggressive in attacking Christians, particularly those who have left Islam. Recently a Muslim sheikh, along with his wife and two children, made known that they had accepted Christ several months earlier. Accusing him of shaming the local mosque, three attackers beat the man. His fields have been burned and the family threatened with death if they return to their home. They are all currently in hiding. Intercede for this family, for God's peace, direction, and divine protection. Pray for wisdom for others who would like to reveal their faith. Pray that the Holy Spirit would touch the hearts of those in Islam, that they may see Jesus. See the story at <a href="http://bit.ly/2fZ8pTz">http://bit.ly/2fZ8pTz</a>.

#### 2016 World Watch List: Bahrain 48/50\*

The island nation of Bahrain lies in the Persian Gulf, just 14 miles off of Saudi Arabia. It is ruled by a Shia Muslim king, and most people follow this branch of Islam. Witnessing to Muslims is illegal, and those who leave Islam face social and family pressure. Most believers are expatriates from Southern Asia. They may meet for worship, but many congregations must share the buildings within their compounds. Please pray that, despite these restrictions, true Christians may find opportunities to be a positive influence in the lives of employers and others they interact with. Pray that those who have courageously left their religion to follow Jesus would have a great impact on their society.

### From Global Initiative\*\*

Intercede for workers among Muslims who seem to have many additional stresses. Some are forced to leave the field prematurely because of physical or emotional problems.

# **Prayer Resources**

- \*For the 2016 World Watch List of the 50 countries where Christians are most persecuted, see <a href="http://bit.ly/1TgZmcr">http://bit.ly/1TgZmcr</a>.
- \*\*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.

Muslim women need your prayers! You can join a prayer network and receive regular requests at <a href="http://sayhelloinfo.com/">http://sayhelloinfo.com/</a>.

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 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/.