



Intercede for the Muslim World!

For God did not send His Son into the world to condemn the world, but that the world through Him might be saved (Jn 3:17, NKJV).

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

THE GAMBIA: Please continue to pray for peaceful transition to a new president, who is to assume office on January 19. The current president refuses to step down until after the Supreme Court can hear his case, which cannot take place until May. Both his army and troops from outside are poised for conflict. Pray for wisdom for workers who are preparing to enter this Muslim-majority nation.

SENSITIVE COUNTRY: Last March we prayed concerning a center in this closed nation that offered English lessons and the hope of God to more than 100 students. The director had to leave for a time and the center had to close until his return. He hopes to return soon and reports that several people are interested in joining him in this work. Pray that the Lord would enable him to establish a team of workers, and that He would provide someone whom the director can prepare to lead the center. The director himself is facing some health issues; please pray for his total healing.

2017 World Watch List

The 2017 World Watch List, ranking the 50 countries where Christians suffer the most persecution, has just been released. Sixteen of the 50 nations are on the African continent (12 in sub-Saharan Africa). According to the World Watch Monitor, "Islamic extremism remains the most common cause of pressure against Christians and it is rising most sharply in Africa, where more people are killed for their Christian faith than anywhere else in the world. As extremist Islam spreads across Africa westwards from Somalia, almost every country from Kenya upwards is affected." For more information and to access the List, see <http://bit.ly/2icuWiC>. Please pray with us each week for a featured nation.

From Global Initiative*

Pray that the Lord would raise up and strategically place more Arabic-speaking Christians in Europe who can minister to recently-arrived Muslim Arab refugees.

For Muslim Women**

Intercede specifically for Christian Bengali women who reach out to their Muslim neighbors. *Pray for those involved in the Bangladesh Assemblies of God, which has more than 400 churches and outreaches, as well as Christian schools and girls homes. May these ministries and the ladies who serve with them have a great influence on Muslim women and children.*

Prayer Resources

*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/>.