



Intercede for the Muslim World!

For freedom Christ has set us free; stand firm therefore, and do not submit again to a yoke of slavery (Ga 5:1, ESV).

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

BURKINA FASO: Thank you for your continued prayers for the Sahel region, where people are facing constant jihadist threats and attacks. This past Saturday, despite security concerns, a retirement celebration was held for the director of the Assemblies of God Bible school there. Praise God, just before this date, 70 jihadists were arrested. The celebration was held in peace. Please continue to pray for this region. Imams preach incendiary messages in the mosques, and this is allowed in the name of guaranteed religious liberty. Yet because of strong Muslim influence, Christians are often denied the same liberty, for instance, when they want to hold all-night prayer meetings.

CENTRAL AFRICA REPUBLIC: A student asks us to pray for two requests concerning his country:

- Pray that the Lord would provide scholarship monies for seven pastors from the CAR to attend Bible school in Ouagadougou, Burkina Faso. Pentecostal training is desperately needed to avoid the false teachings that prevail in many of the churches in CAR. Such training is not available in the country, and the Assemblies of God of Burkina has invited students to come but needs funds for their schooling.
- Violent clashes between Muslims and “Christians” (as any non-Muslim is called) have escalated in recent months. The police, however, lack resources such as weapons and vehicles and so cannot protect people, many of whom still live in camps around the capital city, Bangui, for security reasons. The country is under a U.N.-declared arms embargo in an attempt to control the violence. The President of the CAR is currently in France negotiating for help. Please pray that God would direct these leaders in their decisions. Pray for protection for the people in the CAR. Intercede especially for those fighting on both sides, that the Holy Spirit would confront them in power and love.

DR CONGO: An alumnus writes from eastern DRC, “I ask you to pray for the work I am doing to raise awareness in students about missions, and for the trip I will making to the northeast to speak to young people about missions and the need to evangelize Muslims in [a region] where Islam is growing due to influences coming from South Sudan. Thank you.”

GUINEA-CONAKRY: An alumnus serving as a missionary in this Muslim-majority nation pastors a church he planted in a large neighborhood and is now planting a second church in a different area. He shares two requests:

- “Pray for two Christian ladies who can no longer attend church because their relatives are threatening to disinherit them.” Pray for their spiritual growth and for their family members, that they may find Jesus.
- “Pray for the new church building under construction, that the Lord would provide the means to finish this project.”

Prayer Resources

For the 2017 World Watch List of the 50 countries where Christians are most persecuted, see <http://bit.ly/1npXC1e>.

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://www.waast.org/pray-with-us/pray-for-the-unreached/>.

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/>.