



Intercede for the Muslim World!

Consider him who endured such opposition from sinners, so that you will not grow weary and lose heart (He 12:3, NIV).

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

GHANA: An alumnus and WAASST professor asks for prayer for an initiative to reach the 6.2 million Muslims in Ghana. Pentecostal and evangelical churches, notably the Church of Pentecost and the Assemblies of God, are working together to select, train, and mobilize 1,000 pastors to evangelize and disciple Muslims around them. They will gather for a week of training at the end of July, then each pastor will be responsible to train and mobilize 100 lay workers. Please pray

- that the Lord would place in the hearts of these pastors a growing, burning desire to reach these people and an eagerness to learn from teachers and His Spirit how to do so;
- that He would give wisdom in the selection of laypeople who share this burden;
- that He would supernaturally help each one of these 100,000 to build relationships with, witness to, and effectively disciple the people He leads them to.

MALI: Please intercede for a young lady who gave her life to Jesus and was baptized. Her family forced her to leave home, and for a time she stayed with a pastor (a current WAASST student) and his family. She has now returned to her family but is suffering persecution. Pray she would stand firm and sense the Holy Spirit's encouragement, and for the salvation of her family.

TOGO: A young lady in a similar situation needs our prayers. Jesus healed her of a physical heart problem, and she has been faithful to serve Him. She was beaten for her conversion but has steadfastly refused to return to Islam, especially after what the Lord has done for her. Recently, however, she has expressed doubts about continuing in the face of this persecution. Pray she would have divine strength and that her family would be touched by her witness.

A student and pastor in northern Togo asks us to pray that the Lord would supply the means to erect a building for a congregation that is meeting in a shelter of wood and thatch. Such shelters are easily burned down. Resources are also needed to put a church building on a piece of donated land.

URGENT REQUEST: Last week we prayed concerning the current legislation in Benin banning all religious gatherings in public venues. This year, as the Assemblies of God churches in Togo prepare for their annual Easter conventions in 13 different sites around the country, the government has refused permission for them to meet at the public schools or other public places as in previous years. No reason has been given. These conventions attract more than 100,000 people and are held all week leading up to Easter Sunday. They are powerful times of teaching, evangelism, and celebration. Many are saved, and many filled with the Holy Spirit. Please pray for favor from the authorities, and for wisdom for the AG leaders as they appeal and seek alternatives.

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/>.