

Intercede for the Muslim World!

"...I, even I, am the Lord, and apart from me there is no savior. I have revealed and saved and proclaimed—I, and not some foreign god among you. You are my witnesses," declares the Lord, "that I am God...' (Is 43:11-12, NIV).

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

MALI: In April, a student who pastors in central Mali asked us to pray for a new convert who accepted the Lord during an Easter outreach there. He reports that this man is attending a colleague's church and is doing well. He shares the following prayer needs:

- "We want to open a church in a town about 40 miles away, near the end of July. Usually we hold outdoor meetings, but due to security issues we are rethinking this approach. Pray that the Lord would guide us."
- Pray for more workers to help with this effort.
- Pray for the new pastor who will lead this work, as he completes Bible school this month and prepares to go.
- Pray for the upcoming regional women's camp in the city where the student is pastor. Pray that there would be no problems with security, and that the participants would be blessed and challenged and sense a greater burden to reach their neighbors for Him.

SENSITIVE COUNTRY: Please pray for two workers who will be returning later this year to this nation, where they have ministered through an English conversation café. The café has been closed during their absence; pray for them as they reopen it and reestablish the work. Pray that the Holy Spirit would prepare hungry hearts to come and learn of God's love for them. Pray for more workers to help, and that the Lord would raise up a person or people who are interested in and capable of learning to direct this ministry.

In the News

Presidential elections are being held today, May 19, in Iran. The incumbent, Hassan Rouhani, is known as a moderate and brought Iran back into dialogue with the West. His main challenger, Ebrahim Raisi, is known as a conservative who would likely undo reforms made under Rouhani and adhere to a stricter form of Islam. Please pray for this nation as people go to the polls. The Church in Iran is growing quickly and quietly, as most must meet in secret. Pray for our brothers and sisters there, that they might grow in their faith and witness as they serve the true King.

From Global Initiative*

Pray for God's protection over workers in North Africa as they provide secret discipleship training for former Muslims who have become followers of Jesus.

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.

For the 2017 World Watch List of the 50 countries where Christians are most persecuted, see http://bit.ly/lnpXC1e.

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://worldwatchmonitor.org/, and http://www.releaseinternational.org/.

 $For \ prayer \ requests, \ visit \ \underline{http://www.opendoorsusa.org/pray/} \ and \ \underline{http://www.persecution.com/public/pray.aspx}.$

To help you answer Muslims' questions about God's Word, see http://answeringislam.org/.