

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

For there is no difference between Jew and Gentile—the same Lord is Lord of all and richly blesses all who call on him, for, "Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved" (Ro 10:12-13, NIV).

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

**GUINEA-CONAKRY:** This is why we pray! A WAAST alumnus serving as a missionary in this Muslim-majority nation recently had the joy of baptizing in water about a dozen believers. Praise God for their salvation and commitment. Pray that they would continue to grow in their faith and bring others into the Kingdom.

MALI: At the request of a WAAST student who pastors in central Mali, we have been praying for the church-planting effort in a village in the area. He reports that the new pastor recently completed Bible school and the family is settling into the community. Three believers from another country want to join him as he begins the church, but they need to find a place to hold services. Because of the communal living arrangement, it is not possible to meet in the pastor's home. Please pray (1) that the Lord would provide a meeting place (one that will accommodate many seekers!), (2) that He would prepare hearts to receive the gospel, and (3) that the Holy Spirit would encourage this young pastor in his first place of ministry and guide him in the outreach efforts.

**THE GAMBIA:** This past week pastors and believers met for a conference on the Holy Spirit. Some received the baptism in the Holy Spirit, and some have felt a call to ministry. Please pray that the missionary Spirit of God would lead them into greater unity and that all would sense a greater urgency to reach those around them.

#### In the News

This past Sunday in southern Borno State (northeastern Nigeria) Boko Haram insurgents entered a village, stole food and livestock, then burned down the village. At least five persons were killed, and five women and a child are missing. According to a source that maps terror attacks, this is the 49<sup>th</sup> attack carried out by Boko Haram militants so far this year (<a href="http://arcg.is/2nM94JC">http://arcg.is/2nM94JC</a>). Two million people are currently displaced, most in refugee camps, due to instability. Because they cannot farm, food is scarce for more than 7 million. Christians and churches are particular targets, but Muslims considered too moderate are targeted as well. Please intercede for (1) church leaders and members as they continue to let their lights shine in this dangerous area; (2) the jihadists, that they would be overwhelmed by a sense of their lostness and their need for a Savior; and (3) that nominal Muslims would question their religion and open their hearts to the God of Love.

#### From Global Initiative\*

Pray for a "friendship group" in a prominent city in England as it provides English lessons and other services to Muslim Kurdish women. England has approximately 2.5 million Muslims. *Pray that the Lord would give each worker wisdom and the opportunity to share a clear message of God's love and offer of redemption.* 

### **Prayer Resources**

\*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.

For the 2017 World Watch List of the 50 countries where Christians are most persecuted, see <a href="http://bit.ly/lnpXCle">http://bit.ly/lnpXCle</a>.

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 <a href="http://www.waast.org/pray-with-us/pray-for-the-unreached/">http://www.waast.org/pray-with-us/pray-for-the-unreached/</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/.