



Intercede for the Muslim World!

Let them give thanks to the Lord for his unfailing love and his wonderful deeds for mankind, for he satisfies the thirsty and fills the hungry with good things (Ps 107:8-8, NIV).

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

DR CONGO: Last week we prayed for the Muslim family of a lady, a convert from Islam, as they attended her wedding in an Assemblies of God church. The pastor who shared this request reports, "The family members who attended were blessed by the Word. The next day one of our pastors went to pray with them and has started a discipleship program with them. The desire of our heart is that the entire family would be touched by the life of [this sister]. Continue to pray for this."

Pray for peace in this nation, where there is great political instability. An alumnus who directs the Assemblies of God Bible institute in Kinshasa writes, "Pray for us in DRC. The situation seems to be unsolvable. But the gospel is preached, and the Bible institute is operating." The Bible school (as well as the WAASST extension center, a large church, and an AG primary and high school) is in an area of the city that sometimes sees demonstrations and unrest.

GHANA: A WAASST professor asks us to pray concerning the growing influence of Islam in the government of this nation. This year, for the first time, Muslims were invited to the presidential palace by Ghana's vice president (a Muslim) for an *iftar* (the meal at sundown to break the day's fast). This action is a worrisome indication of the acceptance and perhaps even preferential treatment of Islam in this predominately Christian nation. The president and many in government positions claim to be Christians. Pray for them, that they might adhere to Christian principles and truly serve Jesus. Pray that their eyes may be open to the dangers Islam brings when it gains ground.

As the Ghana Assemblies of God continues an aggressive church-planting program, more churches are being opened in Muslim areas in the north. Pray that these would take root and the new believers would grow in grace and witness. Pray for more workers for these areas!

In the News

Sweden, touted as one of the safest and happiest countries in the world, welcomes migrants from war-torn Muslim lands and claims to be integrating them successfully into Swedish society. However, the number of "no-go" zones (areas influenced by *sharia* [Islamic law] and so dangerous that police must take special precautions to enter) has risen to 61, and the zones are growing larger. Hundreds of Muslims have left Sweden to fight for ISIS, and upon their return many are given "protected identities" to avoid stigma. The good news is that Sweden has about 900 Pentecostal churches, and some of these are reaching out to immigrants. Please pray for Pentecostal believers here, that they would have a greater burden and divine opportunities to share Jesus with Muslims, and with others in this christianized but very secular society.

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/1npXC1e>.

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/>.