

Intercede for the Muslim World!

For the eyes of the Lord are on the righteous, and his ears are open to their prayer... (1 Pe 3:12, ESV).

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

NORTHERN TOGO: Praise God for His work among a tribe in the north. Sixty percent of the people followed Islam and the rest animism—but many are now following Jesus! Since 2012 14 Assemblies of God churches have been established in their villages, and at least 12 influential leaders have left Islam to follow Jesus. Sunday school shelters have been put into place to serve the 1,300 or so children, and later this month a solid steel tabernacle will be erected to serve the 1,500 adult believers in the area. Please pray for this project, for safety for the workers and for the evangelistic activities that will take place at this time.

SENSITIVE COUNTRY: A student pastoring in the central region of this nation shares two requests:

- Pray for an upcoming training session for Assemblies of God Sunday school teachers in the region. *These teachers are key to reaching and teaching children good biblical doctrine in this heavily Islamic area. Pray that through the ministry of these faithful teachers many families would hear and understand the Good News.*
- Pray for an outreach in a village in the area, scheduled for July 27-30, with the goal of establishing a church here. Pray that God would prepare hearts to hear and for wisdom for team members as they share His Word.

In the News

Early on Saturday, July 8, militants belonging to Somalia's Islamist group Al-Shabaab captured and killed nine men in southeastern Kenya. Some of the men belonged to a local church, according to a witness. When they were told to recite the Muslim creed and failed, they were put to death. On Sunday, militants killed four more in another village. It appears that village Muslims are helping Al-Shabaab find the Christians. A dusk-to-dawn curfew has been imposed in the area, and, fearing more unrest, many non-Muslims are seeking safety elsewhere. Intercede for our brothers and sisters here, for their protection, for their families, and for their witness. Pray that God would be glorified through the lives (and even deaths) of His people.

From Global Initiative*

Pray for Algerian Christians who often share their faith with Muslim neighbors, despite the possibility of imprisonment. There are approximately 80,000 Christians, mostly Berbers, in 99% Muslim Algeria. Algeria, in North Africa, ranks 36th on the 2017 World Watch List of the 50 countries where it is most difficult to live as a Christian. See more information and prayer points at <u>http://opendoorsuk.org/persecution/worldwatch/algeria.php</u>.

Prayer Resources

*Global Initiative is a ministry of Assemblies of God World Missions, USA. Visit <u>http://globalinitiativeinfo.com/</u> 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 a weekly lesson and prayer topic about an aspect of Islam, see https://prayingformuslims.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 <u>http://morningstarnews.org/</u>, <u>http://worldwatchmonitor.org/</u>, and <u>http://www.releaseinternational.org/</u>.

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/.