



Intercede for the Muslim World!

You will keep in perfect peace him whose mind is steadfast, because he trusts in you. Trust in the Lord forever, for the Lord, the Lord, is the Rock eternal (Is 26:3-4).

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

CONGO-BRAZZAVILLE: In 2013 plans were drawn up for Africa's largest mosque, to be located in Brazzaville and financed by Qatar. Islam is a minority religion in Congo but is growing in influence, and this mosque, which is to include koranic schools, a dispensary, a social center, and a radio station, would serve to propagate Islam here. We have prayed in the past that this project would not move forward—and to this day construction has not begun, and it seems that financing is not coming through. Continue to pray that this project and its influence would not be realized. Pray also that true believers would be led to intercede for and build relationships with Muslims around them.

NIGER: An alumnus serving in leadership in the Assemblies of God of Niger asks for prayer for these needs:

- Pray that the Niger AG can obtain a plot of land for a church in a certain village. They had paid for land, but once the seller learned it was for a church, he broke the contract. The chief is willing for a church to be established here and has appealed to villagers to sell a parcel, but all refuse. Pray that the Lord would intervene and touch the heart of someone to sell or even give land for this need.
- The Assemblies of God church in a town in southeastern Niger has been closed for several years. Both Boko Haram and Al-Qaeda have been active in this area, and church members have dispersed. A worker has volunteered to reopen the church. Pray for him as he prepares to go in September. Pray that God would open doors and prepare hearts to receive the gospel, and that those believers who remain may find fellowship here.
- Pray for provision for the construction of two AG primary schools. The AG owns land for these schools, but it is important to build quickly to avoid losing the land. Such schools are an extremely effective means of evangelism in this context.

SENSITIVE COUNTRY: A worker in this nation writes, "Al-Qaeda is getting bolder here.... The Enemy, a roaring lion, would love to destroy [our] friends and their country. But we serve the Lion of Judah. Would you pray God breaks the power of Satan, that God's peace would restrain militant Islam—so that many can know the joy and hope we have in Christ?"

In the News

This past week an Al-Qaeda-affiliated group released a video showing six hostages who are being held for ransom in West Africa, some for several years. A few weeks ago we interceded for these and other kidnapped victims. Continue to pray that the Holy Spirit would encourage and strengthen each one and draw them closer to Jesus. Pray that those who do not know the Lord would find peace in Him. Pray that, through their words and lives, these hostages may be witnesses to their captors. Finally, pray for their health, protection, and release. See more at <http://bit.ly/2toqFuB>.

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 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 <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/>.