



Intercede for the Muslim World!

... you will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes on you, and you will be my witnesses... (Acts 1:8, NIV).

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

BURKINA FASO: Historically, the people of Burkina Faso have slowed the progression of Islam from North Africa into sub-Saharan Africa. The Enemy knows this, notes a student, and this nation is seeing a rise in terrorism and more aggression than ever. He asks that we pray for the Church in Burkina, that God would make her still stronger.

DR CONGO: Muslims are targeting DR Congo for Islam, says a student. The percentage of Muslims is still quite low, but the Church needs to be aware, rise up, and play her role. Pray that the Holy Spirit would open the eyes of His people to this challenge, which many ignore, and mobilize and empower them to win Muslims with the love of God.

GUINEA-CONAKRY: This nation is 85% Muslim, but Christians are free to evangelize. A student notes, however, that even though many believers have attended outreach training seminars, fear keeps most from going out. Pray that the Lord would help them to see their neighbors as He sees them and replace their fear with His compassion and love.

SENSITIVE COUNTRY: A student pastoring in the central part of this nation asks us to pray for two needs:

- Whole villages live under the shadow of terrorism. Government schools have been closed for the past 4 years; many have been burned and teachers threatened, even killed. Pray that the Lord would intervene and this threat would be lifted, and for these children, who often are left to themselves or sent away to school.
- The one Assemblies of God home missionary has had to close his work and move to a city. Pray for this worker, that he may be able to return to the area where God has called him. In the meantime, he is holding meetings in his temporary home. Pray that he would see fruit and that this small core may grow into a church.

SIERRA LEONE: A student from this country shares two requests:

- One strategy Muslims are using to gain adherents is to take young boys from the villages to raise. In many cases families are willing to give their children to another in hopes of a better life for them. Pray that parents would be discerning and for the protection of these children. Pray they and their families would find Jesus.
- Sierra Leone's presidential election is to take place in 2018, but recently there has been talk of postponing this. Pray that these discussions would not lead to unrest.

WEST & CENTRAL AFRICA: A WAAST professor, summing up these requests, asks us to pray for a greater outpouring of the Holy Spirit on every church in these and other nations. In Jerusalem, there was an outpouring—and the believers went out. At Azusa Street, there was an outpouring—and the believers went out. The outpouring must come to empower the Church to fulfill her mission. Pray that many more would seek and be filled with the Spirit!

Prayer Resources

For the 2017 World Watch List of the 50 countries where Christians are most persecuted, see <http://bit.ly/1npXC1e>.

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.

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/>.