

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

Your enemy the devil prowls around like a roaring lion looking for someone to devour (1Pe 3:8).

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

**THE GAMBIA:** In this Muslim-majority nation, workers have been training students from 4 countries in a new Bible school and are reaching out through social works as well. They share the following requests:

- Pray for our first group of students, who will complete the certificate level of the Bible school in June. Pray that they would continue to grow in their desire to labor for the Kingdom. Pray for them as they advance to the diploma level, and for the next group of incoming students.
- Pray for the faculty and staff of the training center as they prepare to reach into the surrounding community by offering basic language and literacy courses.
- Pray for opportunities for witness through drilling boreholes. Some have been done, and the Islamic leaders in neighboring villages have expressed interest not only in getting water, but also in receiving the gospel.

**TOGO:** We have been praying for the purchase of land and that God would prepare hearts ahead of a church-planting outreach in the north. *Praise God*, all 3 needed lots have been purchased. The evangelism team, led by a WAAST alumnus, will be there March 4-10. There are some 20 villages in this area, and the team asks for prayer that God would direct their steps to the villages and homes He wants them to visit, and for His wisdom in all they say and do.

**WAAST:** New and returning students are arriving on campus for the new semester, and Jumaa Prayer meetings will resume next Friday (March 2). Please pray with us that these meetings would have a great impact on the lives and ministries of these pastors and leaders and that the Holy Spirit would plant in each heart a growing burden to pray and engage themselves in the spiritual battle for the souls of Muslims.

### World Watch List 2018: Libya (7/50)\*

More than 97% of the 6.4 million people of this North African nation follow Islam. Only an estimated 6,500 are evangelical believers. For lack of a central government, Islamist groups and organized crime rings flourish. Muslims who seek to follow Christ face intense pressure from family and community. Let's pray (1) for these believers, that they would grow in faith and courage, (2) that the Holy Spirit would use Christian Web sites and satellite programs that reach into Libyan homes, and (3) that Christian migrants, some of whom have been sold as workers, may have opportunities to show Christ's love even in their suffering. See more at <a href="https://tinyurl.com/WWL2018Libya">https://tinyurl.com/WWL2018Libya</a>.

# Open Their Eyes

Islamic tradition teaches that Satan (Iblis or Shaitan) is a *Jinn*, a spirit-being made of fire. He was permitted to live with the angels (who are made of light and do not sin). When Allah created Adam, he commanded all the angels to bow down before Adam. Iblis refused and was banned from Paradise, and from that time he has worked to turn people from the Straight Way (Islam). The Bible presents Satan as a fallen angel who seeks to turn people from the truth of God's love and the Way of salvation through Jesus. Let's pray that the Holy Spirit would open the eyes of Muslims to see clearly the deception of the devil that keeps them from the God who created and loves them.

#### **Prayer Resources**

\*For the 2018 World Watch List, ranking the 50 nations where believers suffer most, see https://tinyurl.com/WWL2018.

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.

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 <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 <a href="http://www.unchangingword.com/">http://answeringislam.org/</a>.