

# Intercede for the Muslim World

The Lord is the everlasting God... He gives strength to the weary and increases the power of the weak (Is 40:28-29).

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

**BENIN:** Last semester a student asked us to pray for a young lady who had recently accepted Jesus. He reports that she has grown in her faith and been baptized, and her sister has now received Jesus as well. Pray that these young ladies' lives would draw other family members to Christ.

MALI: Three students pastoring in this nation share these requests:

- Pray for four young Muslim boys who are attending literacy classes offered twice a week by the pastor's wife. As they learn to read and write, they are also making friends with the pastor's children and are exposed to the love of a Christian home. Pray that more children would come to these classes and for open doors to share the gospel with them and their families.
- Pray for a young lady who found Jesus and for a time stayed with the pastor's family, as she was not welcome in her village. Her family agreed to take her back, but now are forbidding her to attend church and live her faith. Pray she would stay strong and that God would use her mightily to bring her family to Him.
- Praise God, a new church planted in July in a heavily Muslim village has grown to 20+ people, most of the Dogon tribe. The pastor is praying that Fulani people would respond to the gospel as well. Pray the Lord would stir the hearts of Fulani men and women, revealing himself to them and leading them to those who can guide them to salvation.

**TOGO:** Pray for a Muslim lady who has accepted Jesus and is growing in her faith and attending church. Though her husband allows her to go to Sunday morning services, he forbids her to go to Bible studies or other activities during the week. Pray that her husband would not only allow her to be involved, but also join her in serving the Lord.

#### World Watch List 2018: Yemen (9/50)\*

Since 2015, this Islamic nation on the Arabian Peninsula has suffered civil war with its attendant problems, including disease, hunger, displacement, and human trafficking and other forms of abuse. The power vacuum has allowed the Islamic State and other jihadist groups to spread. Since every citizen is considered a Muslim, those who turn to Jesus risk arrest, discrimination (including withholding emergency aid), ostracism, and death threats. The few believers meet secretly. Though Christian ministries have been shut down, Christian programming on TV, radio, and the Internet is reaching into homes. Pray that believers here would sense God's divine strength, encouragement, and joy. Pray others would be touched through their lives and through the programs. See more at <a href="https://tinyurl.com/WWL2018Yemen">https://tinyurl.com/WWL2018Yemen</a>.

#### From Global Initiative\*\*

Pray for the success of start-up projects in Guinea, owned by Christian ladies, all converts from Islam. They are strongly resisted by local authorities. Of Guinea's 13 million people, 88% are Muslims.

## **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 <u>http://globalinitiativeinfo.com/</u> 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 <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/.