



West Africa Advanced School of Theology

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Intercede for the Muslim World

You keep him in perfect peace whose mind is stayed on you, because he trusts in you. Trust in the Lord forever, for the Lord God is an everlasting rock (Is 26:3-4).

Today's Prayer Requests (and Praise Reports!): *From Students, Alumni, and Missionaries*

BENIN: A student asks us to pray for an upcoming evangelistic campaign in a city in northern Benin. Most of the people are at least nominally Muslim, and there is a large Catholic presence as well. This pastor and his team plan to visit homes, show the *Jesus* film, and share the Good News. Pray that the Lord would prepare hearts to receive Jesus.

COTE D'IVOIRE: The Assemblies of God of Cote d'Ivoire has targeted two people groups in the north. Missionaries working among them ask for prayer for

- the Malinke/Jula. This majority-Muslim group of 5 million, in the northwest, counts perhaps 2,500 believers.
- the Senoufo. The various sub-groups of Senoufo total about 2.5 million and are spread over the north-central part of the country. Many follow animistic practices. Other groups follow Islam mixed with traditional religion. About 20-30% have heard the gospel, but those who are Muslim remain largely unreached.

Pray that God would lead workers to key people eager and ready to become disciples of Jesus. Pray for church-planting efforts, and that those who make up these churches would become powerful witnesses in their communities.

NORTHERN TOGO: Praise Report: Last month we prayed for the quick repair of a church building that had collapsed. This meeting place is in a Muslim neighborhood. The student pastoring in this area reports that God has provided and the church has been rebuilt, this time with steel and cement, making it stronger.

Praise Report: Since February we have prayed for a church-planting effort in a predominately Catholic/Muslim town. We have seen the Lord answer prayers for the purchase of land and for souls saved. Praise God with us for the provision of funds for a church building. A donor gave enough to construct a building of steel and cement, and the work has begun. Further, the marabout who accepted the Lord and burned his fetishes, is standing firm. As he has lost his livelihood, he has been given help setting up a gardening project. May these expressions of God's faithfulness speak to the hearts of people who are seeking!

Prayer Request: Pray for the successful establishment of a new church in a northern city, in the most closed neighborhood, where the imam resides. Pray for the evangelism efforts, and that a building can be put up before the rainy season begins.

SENSITIVE COUNTRY: Please pray that God would miraculously touch and heal a student's brother-in-law, who is very sick, and, more importantly, for his salvation. He is the only member of his family still clinging to Islam.

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 <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://muslimsask.com/>, <http://www.unchangingword.com/> and <http://answeringislam.org/>.