



Intercede for the Muslim World

You who answer prayer, to you all people will come (Ps 65:2).

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

COTE D'IVOIRE: Since 2010, some 4 million Muslims have moved into this West African nation, mostly from other African nations and from Syria, Lebanon, and Morocco. Muslims now make up 44% of the population. They are gaining ground largely through reaching animistic groups through social benefits. A missionary here asks us to pray

- “that the Church can visibly show itself among these groups and reach animists and new converts to Islam”;
- for wisdom for the Assemblies of God leadership here as to strategies to reach these people, particularly through compassion ministries;
- for pastors working in the north, 90% + Muslim, that God would use them mightily and strengthen and encourage them.

MADAGASCAR: Islamists have targeted this island nation, considered a Christian nation. We thank God that Malagasy WAAST graduates have initiated prayer meetings on behalf of the Muslim world. An alumnae reports that in the north one pastor is reaching out to Muslims, Muslims are coming to the Lord, and one Muslim convert is now entering the ministry. She recently had the opportunity, during a long taxi ride, to witness to and pray with a vanload of Muslims! “I am convinced that now is the time to share the gospel with Muslims here, as they are open to listen,” she writes. Pray that the Lord would mobilize His people in Madagascar to reach out in love and work while it is day.

SENSITIVE COUNTRY: The Lord is touching hearts in this Muslim-majority nation. Let's rejoice and intercede concerning these reports:

- A Muslim marabout and his wife, who had come from a North African nation, accepted the Lord and have gone through discipleship classes. They and two others were baptized in water on Easter Sunday. Pray for these new believers and their continued growth and witness. At the same time, the pastor reports, the church's activities are being severely restricted. Please pray they would be free to worship and minister openly.
- Last week we prayed that young people who had gathered for a regional youth meeting would return home safely. During the days of meeting, at least two jihadist attacks occurred in nearby towns. Praise God, all of them got home to their respective towns without incident.
- Pray for a lady who is seeking to know God. She had been reading the Bible on her phone, but her husband, a radical Muslim, found it and erased it. Still, she continues to read it with her sister. She is not allowed to attend church or seek counsel. Pray that the Holy Spirit would speak to her heart through His powerful Word and that she and other family members would find peace in Jesus.

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