



Intercede for the Muslim World!

...Jesus spoke to them, saying, "I am the light of the world. Whoever follows me will not walk in darkness, but will have the light of life" (Jn 8:12, ESV).

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

GABON: Of Gabon's 2 million people, about 10% follow Islam. Most of these are foreigners from West Africa and Lebanon, and Hausa people in the north. Most indigenous Gabonese identify themselves as Christians (mainly Catholic) and many mix these beliefs with traditional animistic practices. However, Islam is gaining a foothold. The foreign-born Muslims are businessmen and hold great power in the economic sector. The current President of Gabon propagates Islam through building mosques, offering gifts, and establishing social works. A Master's student who is a church leader in Gabon asks us to pray concerning this growing influence of Islam in his nation.

- Pray for the President and other leaders in government and business, that they might find salvation in Jesus.
- Pray that the Spirit would stir His people and give them a burden to reach Muslims. The fact that most Muslims here are not Gabonese makes it easier to forget or ignore them.
- Pray that churches at both the local and national levels would seek God for His direction and wisdom in raising awareness of Islam and in determining and applying strategies to reach Muslims.

TOGO: Please pray for healing for a young lady, a Muslim convert who has been rejected by her family. She is currently hospitalized with a serious infection. Pray not only that God would heal her body, but also that the Spirit would encourage her in her faith and minister to her through the believers in her local church. May the Lord use this situation to touch her family for God's glory.

In the News

Pray for Christians who live in Muslim-dominated refugee camps in **Greece**. On June 24, seven Iranian Christians meeting for a Bible study were attacked. The three men were beaten, the two wives and two children threatened with knives, and their converted-container meeting place was doused with petrol. A few hours later they were able to escape and are now in a safe house in another city. According to the International Christian Consulate, which works on behalf of Christians in camps in Greece, "88% of all Christian refugees have experienced or witnessed faith-based persecution and discrimination at the hands of extremist Islamists in their home countries, en-route to Europe, and, significantly, continue to do so in Europe's refugee accommodation." Please pray for God's protection on and the witness of His people in these camps. See the story at <https://tinyurl.com/greececamps>.

Pray for favor for detained pastor Andrew Brunson at his third court hearing in **Turkey** on July 18. Pastor Brunson has been held in prison on false charges since October 2016.

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 <https://reachingmuslimpeoples.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://answerislam.org/>.