

Intercede for the Muslim World!

Oh, the depth of the riches and wisdom and knowledge of God! How unsearchable are his judgments and how inscrutable his ways! (Ro 11:33, ESV).

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

CAMEROON: An alumnus shares two prayer needs concerning the Muslim-dominated northern part of Cameroon:

- Intercede for the churches in the region. Boko Haram jihadists are active here, and several church leaders have been killed or kidnapped. Many church members have scattered. In the Pentecostal denomination that this alumnus serves, one pastor has been killed, and another narrowly escaped death. The national church is working to relaunch local churches that have closed because of the instability. Please pray (1) that the Spirit's wisdom would guide these efforts, and (2) for God's protection over and the effective witness of those He has called to work in this area. May many who seek peace and hope find them in Jesus!
- Pray for a Bible school in the north. This school was begun and directed by a WAAST alumnus to train church planters and pastors specifically for this difficult area. Some 3 years ago, the director suffered a stroke from which has has not yet recovered. The school has continued with an interim director and faces many challenges. Please pray (1) for the leadership and smooth running of this much-needed school, (2) that God would raise up more workers willing to be trained, and (3) for a miracle of healing for the director.

GHANA: Pray for an alumnus working in northern Ghana as he trains workers to oversee outstations and to plant churches. With God's help, over the past 10 years he has established schools and many outstations in a heavily Muslim area, and is equipping others. More than 50 attended the latest training session. Pray that the Lord would use each of them and call still more into this harvest field.

SENEGAL: Pray for two men of a particular tribe who are close to making a life-changing decision to follow Christ, that the Holy Spirit would persistently and graciously prod their hearts and minds. Lift up the workers who have been ministering to these men and to several others. The Enemy is hard at work to thwart their efforts; pray that his attacks against them would fail and that God would receive all the glory.

In the News

In a July 30 referendum on the constitution, Sunni Islam was named the official state religion in the **Comoros Islands** (off the coast of East Africa, in the Indian Ocean Basin). The amended constitution also grants the current president the right to seek another term in office. This president has stated his intention to crack down on non-Sunni citizens. The few Comorian believers (around 2,500 evangelical Christians) are already greatly restricted in their worship and public witness. Let's lift up our brothers and sisters here. Pray that God would encourage them and give them holy boldness. Pray that, at a time when doors seem to be shutting, the Lord would open new doors to testify of His love. See more at https://tinyurl.com/sunnicomo.

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