

## Intercede for the Muslim World!

"This is what is written: The Messiah will suffer and rise from the dead on the third day, and repentance for the forgiveness of sins will be preached in his name to all nations..." (Lk 24:46-47).

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

**BENIN:** The Assemblies of God of Benin has sent some 30 home missionaries to various unreached communities. There they live, build relationships, and eventually hold evangelistic meetings with the aim of establishing a work. Pray that the Lord would grant to each one divine favor in his respective community. Pray for the Spirit's wisdom as to the timing of the meetings and the opening of a work. Especially pray that many would come to the Lord and begin to be discipled.

**MALI:** We thank God for relative peace during the presidential election here. After two rounds of voting, the incumbent was reelected. Pray for him and his government, that the Church may continue to work freely.

A student shares two needs from the central region where he pastors:

- Pray for the acquisition of land for a church begun a year ago in a small town. The church is still renting, which is risky, as these contracts are easily broken.
- Two families from the church he pastors have moved to a new neighborhood about 10 km away. "There is no church in this neighborhood, and we see an opportunity to open one there. We are praying that God would lead us according to His will." Pray that the Lord would make His direction clear and pave the way for this new work in His time.

**TOGO:** On the nights of July 27 and 30 and August 3 and 15, four mosques were vandalized and Korans burned in a Muslim-dominated urban area. The perpetrators and the reasons behind these acts are not known. Togo's Christian, Muslim, and animist populations typically live in relative peace with one another. Pray that those trying to incite trouble would be brought to justice and that tensions would not escalate. May God use this situation for His glory.

## In the News

**DR Congo** is experiencing its tenth outbreak of Ebola, this time centered in the North Kivu province in the east. Containing the disease is complicated by the ongoing conflict with rebel and jihadist groups who operate in the area. More than 1 million people are internally displaced, and people move often or flee the country. Aid groups work under armed escort and cannot even enter some areas because of the terrorist threat. Please pray (1) for a miraculous end to this outbreak; (2) for the churches and believers in this area, that they may have opportunities to help and to show God's love; (3) for divine protection over aid workers and the population affected; (4) for the jihadists, that they might encounter Jesus and be saved. Our God is able!

## Prayer Resources

For the 2018 World Watch List, ranking the 50 nations where believers suffer most, see <a href="https://tinyurl.com/WWL2018">https://tinyurl.com/WWL2018</a>.

Global Initiative is a ministry of Assemblies of God World Missions, USA. Visit <a href="https://reachingmuslimpeoples.com/">https://reachingmuslimpeoples.com/</a> 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 <a href="http://sayhelloinfo.com/">http://sayhelloinfo.com/</a>.

For a weekly lesson and prayer topic about an aspect of Islam, see https://prayingformuslims.com/.

For suggestions on starting a prayer group, see <a href="http://www.waast.org/pray-with-us/pray-for-the-unreached/">http://www.waast.org/pray-with-us/pray-for-the-unreached/</a>.

For news updates concerning persecuted Christians, visit <a href="http://morningstarnews.org/">http://worldwatchmonitor.org/</a>, and <a href="http://www.releaseinternational.org/">http://www.releaseinternational.org/</a>.

For prayer requests, visit <a href="http://www.opendoorsusa.org/pray/">http://www.opendoorsusa.org/pray/</a> and <a href="http://www.persecution.com/public/pray.aspx">http://www.opendoorsusa.org/pray/</a> and <a href="http://www.persecution.com/public/pray.aspx">http://www.opendoorsusa.org/pray/</a> and <a href="http://www.persecution.com/public/pray.aspx">http://www.opendoorsusa.org/pray/</a> and <a href="http://www.persecution.com/public/pray.aspx">http://www.persecution.com/public/pray.aspx</a>.

To help you answer Muslims' questions about God's Word, see <a href="http://muslimsask.com/">http://www.unchangingword.com/</a> and <a href="http://muslimsask.com/">http://www.unchangingword.com/</a> and <a href="http://muslimsask.com/">http://www.unchangingword.com/</a> and <a href="http://answeringislam.org/">http://answeringislam.org/</a>.