



Intercede for the Muslim World!

I am the Alpha and the Omega, the Beginning and the End. To the thirsty I will give water without cost from the spring of the water of life (Rev. 21:6).

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

BENIN: Islamic influence is growing in this small West African nation. An alumnus notes that the Bible school where he serves now sits between two new mosques. When people attend the *haji* (pilgrimage in Saudi Arabia), he explains, they return inspired, and some build mosques, financed by Arab countries. He asks us to pray for the following:

- For pastors working in Muslim-dominated areas of the country. Some have been there for years with no converts, and many are discouraged. Pray that the Holy Spirit would encourage them and assure them He is with them and at work.
- For provision for these workers; some have very little support and must farm or find work.
- That the Lord would place a burden on more of His people to go and serve in these difficult areas. Many hesitate in the face of these challenges, but these communities need the presence of those who love Jesus!

CAMEROON: *We thank God* that 30 of the 36 students expected for classes at the WAAST extension center have arrived safely. Please continue to pray for peace and calm as election results are being debated.

DR CONGO: An alumnus writes: "Please support me in prayer as I make a long trip to visit churches, encourage them, and help plant churches in three adjoining provinces in the north and [two others]. I will be going by airplane, car, motorcycle, and on foot. Subtly, the phenomenon of Islam is taking root. Mosques are going up and many people are easily won over." Pray for safe travels, and that the Lord would use this alumnus in his work as a regional leader to encourage other pastors and believers and to raise their awareness of the encroaching challenge of Islam, that they may reach out to its followers in the power of the Spirit.

In the News

Please continue to intercede for the release of Leah Sharibu, the 15-year-old Christian schoolgirl held since February by Boko Haram in Nigeria. Last month the terrorists killed a Red Cross worker and threatened the execution of two more workers and of Leah if their demands were not met by October 15. On the 16th they executed a second worker and announced that the third woman and Leah will be held by them permanently as slaves. Pray fervently (1) for divine intervention, that Leah and the worker would be freed; (2) for God's protection over them, that no hand would harm them; and (3) that the Spirit would confront and convict their captors. See more at <https://tinyurl.com/leahslave>.

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://answeringislam.org/>.