

## Intercede for the Muslim World!

All the ends of the earth shall remember and turn to the Lord, and all the families of the nations shall worship before you. For kingship belongs to the Lord, and he rules over the nations (Ps 22:27-28, ESV).

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

**EAST AFRICA:** We **praise God** that the worker who was detained in an East African nation has been released and is reunited with his wife. Thank you for praying! Please continue to pray for them as they process what happened. Pray for direction and wisdom as to how to proceed with the work in this nation.

**BENIN:** Pray that the Holy Spirit would encourage a student who has been ministering in the northern part of Benin for the past 9 years. Most of the people in this area—from Benin, Nigeria, and Niger—are Muslims. The work is slow but is moving forward, he says. Pray that he will see a spiritual breakthrough.

**DR CONGO:** An alumnus asks us to pray concerning the spread of Islam in his nation. He writes: "Islam is settling in comfortably—and Christians are not concerned.... Mosques are mushrooming everywhere, even in remote areas. Taking advantage of the uncertain situation in the country, Muslims are using the socio-economic weakness to force Congolese to join them, with little effort." Please pray for an awakening in the churches to this great spiritual threat and to the urgent need to pray for these people and to reach them while they can.

**GUINEA-CONAKRY:** A student asks for prayer for a church-planting effort on the Guinea-Sierra Leone border. Obtaining property is very difficult, he explains, when people learn it is for a church. Pray that the Lord would provide land, as well as resources for social works to help the needy in the area. Pray for more workers to join him, and especially that the Holy Spirit would open Muslim hearts to receive the Good News they bring.

MALI: Two students pastoring in different cities share these requests:

- The student in the central region had to call off plans for open-air evangelistic meetings in December, and they have not been rescheduled due to instability. However, in the area where the meeting was to be held, a work is starting with a few new believers meeting in a courtyard. Please pray that others will listen in, join them, and find Jesus!
- The pastor in the south held evangelistic services at the end of February, and many, especially children, attended. Both children and adults are now being followed up and discipled. Pray they would become strong in their faith and that their testimonies would lead others into the Kingdom.

**SENEGAL:** We have prayed for a new Assemblies of God primary school in a less-reached area. **Praise God**, the school has opened with 11 students, and a number of parents have expressed their desire to send their children next year. A worker writes, "Our prayer is always that students have good exposure to the Gospel in class (daily prayer and Bible lesson) and interaction with teachers. Pray for this to reach the locals."

## **Prayer Resources**

For the 2019 World Watch List, ranking the 50 nations where believers suffer most, see https://tinyurl.com/WWL19.

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>.