

## **Intercede for the Muslim World!**

You who answer prayer to you all people will come (Ps 65:2)

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

**BENIN:** Please pray for the West African nation of Benin, which is facing threats of terrorism in the north and an influx of Muslims in the south. Islamic influence often spreads in areas where economic troubles and political instability abound, and this country is seeing both. An alumnus pastoring in a southern city reports that many new mosques are being built, and it's "alarming." He asks that we pray

- for greater awareness in the churches of the growth of Islam. "Churches need teaching, but the teachings that are in vogue now are how to succeed financially." Pray for wisdom for him and other pastors as they teach God's Word and motivate their people look outward to reach others.
- for political stability after the recent election.
- concerning the upsurge of false religions. Besides Islam, there is a revival of animism and cults. One lady claims to be "God the Father" and has created a new "church."

Pray also for those pastors and missionaries from other African nations who work in the Muslim-dominated northern part of the country. As people face the uncertainly that these threats bring, pray that the Lord would use these workers and believers to effectively share the gospel of peace.

**TOGO:** A WAAST student recently taught a course on Islam and took his students to visit mosques. As a result, 18 people gave their lives to the Lord. He says, "Don't pray just for the 18 who followed us to the prayer center and converted, but pray also for the 33 who came and asked us questions about Jesus—all of them our neighbors." Pray for the effective follow-up of these new believers, and that the Lord would work in the hearts of those still seeking. Pray also for the students in this class as they learn to minister more effectively to the unreached.

## In the News

Continue to intercede for people in the North Kivu region of eastern DR Congo, who are suffering from the double threat of terrorists and the dreaded Ebola virus. This past week the number of Ebola cases reached 2,000. It took 7 months to reach 1,000, but only 3 to reach this new high. Thank God, targeted attacks against aid workers and centers have been fewer, allowing them to work more effectively. Attacks against civilians continue, however. The Islamic State's "Central Africa Province" has claimed the latest spate of killings, this past Monday, though most blame the Ugandan terrorist group Allied Democratic Forces. Please pray (1) for healing for victims of Ebola; (2) for the safety of aid workers and the treatment centers, which are often targeted; (3) that the Lord would touch the hearts of the jihadists; (4) that churches and believers may by used in great ways to demonstrate God's love to those around them. See more at https://tinyurl.com/ebola2000.

## **Prayer Resources**

For the 2019 World Watch List, ranking the 50 nations where believers suffer most, see <a href="https://tinyurl.com/WWL19">https://tinyurl.com/WWL19</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 <a href="https://prayingformuslims.com/">https://prayingformuslims.com/</a>.

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://answeringislam.org/">http://answeringislam.org/</a>.