

Intercede for the Muslim World!

Finally, be strong in the Lord and in his mighty power. Put on the full armor of God, so that you can take your stand against the devil's schemes (Eph 6:10-11).

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

GUINEA-CONAKRY: Praise God for His blessing on the work of an alumnus who serves the Church in this Muslim-majority nation. Over the past 8 years, he has planted a church, which has mothered three others, started a kindergarten and primary school, taught in the Bible school, and trained layworkers around the nation. As he and his family begin a new term of service next month, they ask us to pray

- for faithful workers to assume responsibility for the churches;
- for the completion of the construction of new classrooms and a well for the school;
- for the discipling and support of those who have chosen to follow Jesus and are persecuted by their families;
- that they might be able to plant more churches, and especially for the purchase of land;
- "that God himself would accomplish His will in this great country."

MALI: Jihadist activity and inter-tribal violence (with religion at its core) have plagued the central part of this country for several years, and we have been praying! A student pastoring here reports: "Thanks to your prayers, there is a precarious calm in the region. Dialogue between the communities is currently taking place and this has slowed down violence between communities. We hope that this will lead to a definitive solution." Please pray

- that the Spirit would touch of hearts of those opposed to the gospel, that they might be saved;
- that church and evangelistic activities in the region could continue unhindered;
- for a jobs-training project to benefit 100 young people. This pastor has been asked to choose those from the Protestant churches who will participate; pray for wisdom in these decisions.

WAAST: Students are arriving for the new semester, and Jumaa Prayer meetings will resume August 9. Pray that these times together would challenge students to intercede and to lead their churches in intercession for Muslims.

In the News

Please continue to pray for the family of Leah Sharibu, a Nigerian schoolgirl held by Boko Haram for her refusal to denounce Jesus. In a 3-minute video released by Boko Haram on July 25, a kidnapped aid worker mentions that Leah and another aid worker have been killed, but this remains unverified. Pray for her protection and release if she is still alive, and for her family. Pray for the government leaders, that the Lord would move on their hearts to take action against the activities of the terrorist groups Boko Haram and ISWAP (Islamic State West Africa Province). See more at https://tinyurl.com/nigsharibu.

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 <u>http://www.opendoorsusa.org/pray/</u> and <u>http://www.persecution.com/public/pray.aspx</u>.

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>.