



## Intercede for the Muslim World!

*...I will build my church, and the gates of hell shall not prevail against it (Mt 16:18, ESV).*

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

This week we focus on Togo, the nation in which WAASST is located. This small country has traditionally been a bastion of voodoo, and animism still pervades the daily lives of many. But, with its growing influence in business, community politics, and social works, Islam has largely replaced animism as the greatest hindrance to the salvation of people. Pray for the Togo Assemblies of God as they respond to this challenge, and for these particular needs:

**Northern Bible school:** Located in a Muslim-dominated area, this school has eight annexes, new works that are led by student pastors until a pastor can be assigned. *Pray for the growth of these churches*, and that they would be well cared for after students move on.

*Pray for continued good community relationships and favor with authorities.* The school has helped the local area economically and spiritually. A well on campus is available to neighbors, and some community children have attended the kindergarten on the campus. Other projects the school would like to institute to benefit the students, their families, and the community include a primary school, sewing and literacy classes for the women, and the installation of a water reservoir. *Pray for resources and the personnel so these projects might be realized.*

**Church Buildings:** In the coming weeks, construction teams will be erecting tabernacles (steel frames and a roof) on church sites in two Muslim-majority regions. Please *pray for their safety* as they travel with heavy loads (Togo's roads are very dangerous) and as they work. *Pray for resources for the churches* as they then complete the floor and walls according to their needs.

Establishing permanent church buildings in these areas is critical. Fire or strong wind and rains can easily destroy the palm-frond buildings that serve many congregations. More importantly, people who are yet unsure of their faith, when offered the choice between worshipping in such a structure or in a painted or tiled, attractive mosque are often drawn to the latter. At times churches are mocked by those who say their God does not provide for them. *Pray for these churches and their pastors and members, that their wise responses would testify of Jesus' love for others.*

**Evangelism Efforts:** *Pray for continued favor* throughout Togo concerning outreach and evangelistic activities. Some communities resist having a church planted, or evangelistic meetings; *pray that the Lord would touch the hearts of key people in these areas.*

*Pray for upcoming evangelistic meetings* led by a former Muslima from another African nation. Praise God, this event has been approved by the authorities in this very islamized place. Pray that the Lord would go before her to touch and prepare hearts. *Pray for the area churches as they receive those who will be seeking to learn more.*

## 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 <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/>.