

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

The Lord is my strength and my shield; my heart trusts in him, and he helps me... (Ps 28:7).

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

**GUINEA-CONAKRY:** Demonstrations have continued in this Muslim-majority nation as many protest the President's bid for a third term. This past Monday 2 people were killed as protesters followed the coffins of 11 people who had died in October demonstrations. An alumnus and church leader writes: "Since this is a political matter, let us pray not only that the Lord would calm the population, but also that the body of Christ in Guinea would use wisdom in the face of these conflicts. It would only take an unwise word from a Christian leader for a large part of the population to take over the church. Otherwise for the moment the Christians are not worried, but the demonstrations hamper the normal course of life. Thank you for praying for us."

MALI: An alumnus shares a praise report and prayer requests:

- **Praise God** for the success and security of an evangelistic campaign held in a city here. Many hundreds attended and many indicated they want to follow Jesus. Security forces were assigned to guard the meetings, and at least one guard gave his life to Christ. Local pastors and layworkers are now tasked with following up the new believers. Please pray (1) that each person would be integrated into a body of believers and grow in his or her faith; (2) for wisdom for those doing follow-up, and resources for beginning new churches as necessary; and (3) for strength for those who may now face persecution because of their decision, and that their testimony would influence others.
- Please pray for resources to erect walls and pour a cement floor to complete the building of the church this alumnus pastors. They have worshiped in an open hangar since 2016.

In areas of Mali where social services are very limited, jihadist groups are gaining ground as they help provide water, electricity, and other amenities. Pray God would use His people to meet the needs of others and guide them to Jesus.

**TOGO:** Pray for open-air meetings being held this week in a Muslim-dominated city. The speaker is a former Muslim; pray that the messages delivered would open the eyes of many to the Truth.

## In the News

Pray for Sudan, where there seems to be a new openness to freedom of worship. The Minister of Religious Affairs states that properties confiscated from Sudanese Christians over the years shall be returned, noting that these Christians "are Sudanese and their religion is heavenly with its values and beliefs." After the secession of South Sudan in 2011, Sudan's President Bashir cracked down on Christian churches and literature as he moved to bring the nation under sharia law. Bashir was ousted this past April and a transitional government installed in September. Please pray that our brothers and sisters in Sudan might freely meet in their own churches, read and distribute God's Word, and testify to others of His love. Pray for a continued softening of the hearts of government authorities and for their salvation. See more at <a href="https://tinyurl.com/freesudan">https://tinyurl.com/freesudan</a>.

## **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>.