

Intercede for the Muslim World!

The people who walked in darkness have seen a great light; those who dwelt in a land of deep darkness, on them has light shone. For to us a child is born, to us a son is given; and the government shall be upon his shoulder, and his name shall be called Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace (Is 9:2, 6).

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

SENSITIVE COUNTRY: Please pray for God's miraculous healing touch on a worker who has just been diagnosed with cancer. This man was raised a Muslim, but since he met Jesus more than 40 years ago he has devoted his life to reaching others of his former faith and mentoring others to do the same. Even from his hospital bed he has shared his Hope with a Muslim roommate. Pray that the Lord would use this situation for His glory and for the salvation of many.

WORLDWIDE: Pray for Muslims who are living in areas where they can freely hear the message of Christmas: Jesus' coming to earth as God Incarnate. Please pray

- that the Holy Spirit would lead seekers to Christmas services and celebrations and to those who can answer their questions about Jesus' birth and the salvation He offers.
- that the Spirit would give Christian workers and believers wisdom as they explain the Christmas story, and move in the hearts and minds of listeners.
- that during this season of sharing and reaching out, those who follow Jesus would sense His love and desire to reach these people for whom He came. May they actively seek to minister this Christmas to Muslims."

Please pray for God's protection over churches and congregations as they meet for Christmas activities in the coming week.

In the News

On December 6, Somali Al-Shabaab terrorists stopped a bus in northern Kenya, separated Somali Muslims from others, and executed nine Kenyan workers and kidnapped two others who refused to recite the *shahada*, the Muslim confession of faith. At least two were evangelical schoolteachers; others belonged to various churches. Please pray for the families, friends, and churches, that the Lord would comfort and encourage them. See more at https://morningstarnews.org/2019/12/christians-slain-in-suspected-al-shabaab-attack-in-northern-kenya/.

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 <u>https://prayingformuslims.com/</u>.

For suggestions on starting a prayer group, see <u>http://www.waast.org/pray-with-us/pray-for-the-unreached/</u>.

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>.