

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

Because of God's tender mercy, the morning light from heaven is about to break upon us, to give light to those who sit in darkness and in the shadow of death, and to guide us to the path of peace (Lk 1:78-79, NLT).

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

**CHAD:** An alumnus writes: "Every year the Assemblies of God of Chad opens a church in each town. They buy land, build a home for the pastor, a borehole, and a shelter before doing the evangelism. This year we want to open a church in [a town] near the Cameroonian border. But it so happens that the land we have bought is under litigation; there is a double allocation. One of the parties is a Muslim, and it is a delicate situation. We need your prayers." *Please pray that this issue is settled, for the success of this new church plant, and that this Muslim and many others may find salvation.* 

**SIERRA LEONE:** We have prayed for the new Bible school being built in an interior town in this Muslim-majority nation. Construction had been stalled for more than a year. We *thank God* that new workers have arrived and work is resuming. A borehole, water tower, and solar pump have been installed to serve the campus. Work on the administration building, currently just a frame and roof, will continue in January.. The resident missionary reports, "There should be 7-8 buildings by the finish.... It's a big job, but we're very excited to see it come to pass!" *Please pray that the construction would proceed smoothly, quickly, and safely. Pray that this school may open later this year to train more workers from Sierra Leone and even surrounding nations.* 

## In the News

Let's intercede for those serving in the military in nations of West Africa that are being increasingly targeted by Islamic terrorist groups. While most of those serving are Muslims, there are Christian believers among them. Pray that the Lord would give these men divine opportunities to share His message of salvation with their mates. Pray for God's blessing on them as they work to protect their people.

Burkina Faso's president declared two days of mourning on December 25 and 26 after an attack in a northern town on Tuesday, December 24. Jihadists targeted a military base, killing seven soldiers, and turned on civilians, killing 35. Another attack on Christmas Day, in the same region, resulted in the death of about 12 soldiers. An Islamic State-affiliated group attacked a military base in western Niger, killing more than 70, on December 10. See more at <a href="https://www.france24.com/en/20191224-insurgent-attack-in-burkina-faso-leaves-dozens-of-civilians-militants-dead">https://www.france24.com/en/20191224-insurgent-attack-in-burkina-faso-leaves-dozens-of-civilians-militants-dead</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>.