



Intercede for the Muslim World!

Let me hear in the morning of your steadfast love, for in you I trust. Make me know the way I should go, for to you I lift up my soul (Ps 143: 8).

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

PRAYER FOCUS: SAHEL REGION

The Sahel Region is the band of land just below the Sahara Desert, beginning in the west in Senegal and Mauritania and stretching east through Mali, Burkina Faso, Niger, northern Nigeria, Chad, and Sudan. Most of the people in the Sahel follow Islam, but only recently have areas of the Sahel become the front lines for jihadist militants. The situation is worsening especially in Mali, Burkina Faso, and Niger. In these three nations, in 2019 alone, more than 4,000 people were killed, some 950,000 displaced, and an estimated 662,200 schoolchildren deprived of their education as schools were closed. For an overview of the crisis, see this report: <https://www.bbc.com/news/world-africa-51061229>. ***Please continue to intercede for pastors and churches as they work to bring people into the Kingdom! Pray for WAAST students and alumni who serve in these nations.***

Pray for outreach to children in the Sahel. This past week, an alumnus led a conference for pastors from Senegal, Niger, Mali, Chad, and Burkina Faso who are working with OneHope, a ministry which provides gospel materials for children. Here they discussed ways to reach still more children—even in areas where travel is unsafe and kids can't even attend school. The alumnus writes:

- Please pray for an outpouring of the Holy Spirit on our ministry teams
- Pray for divine protection over our workers serving in the Sahel
- Pray for a dynamic revelation of the Lord to Muslims in the Sahel
- Pray for the salvation of children in these areas
- Pray that the Lord would send more missionaries to the Sahel

Pray for divine protection over pastors and churches. In another Sahelian country, some 100 pastors are returning home today (Friday) from a national pastors conference. Please pray for safety for those traveling to the north. An alumnus attending writes, "The security situation has worsened, especially along the roads. Between [his town and another], buses are attacked nearly every week. But I believe that it's the Lord who has been protecting His church in the region." Please pray for continued protection. Pray that local Muslims would take note of God's protective power and of His love as this church and others reach out to them.

Pray for healing. A 2019 graduate who pastors in this same country recently suffered a stroke, affecting his left side. Please pray for his complete healing and for his family and church.

Prayer Resources

For the 2020 World Watch List, ranking the 50 nations where believers suffer most, see <https://tinyurl.com/WWL2020>.

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://answerislam.org/>.