



Intercede for the Muslim World!

For as the soil makes the sprout come up and a garden causes seeds to grow, so the Sovereign Lord will make righteousness and praise spring up before all nations (Is 61:11).

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

BENIN: An alumnus pastoring in a city here writes, “I have been sharing the gospel with certain people, and one sister has accepted Jesus. She has a thirst to truly follow Christ. But because of her family, she cannot declare her faith. I ask you to pray for her and for her family, that God would work in them.”

WEST AFRICA: Despite restrictions on movement due to the coronavirus pandemic, jihadist attacks have continued almost daily in several nations, particularly targeting Christians and national and foreign security forces. Let's pray for

- **Burkina Faso:** Christians in the northern and eastern parts of this nation remain targets of jihadists. In a recent incident, a convoy carrying aid to a camp was attacked, and that same day 30 were killed in a cattle market. See the story at <https://tinyurl.com/attacksbf>. Hundreds of thousands of people have left their homes for safer zones and must rebuild their lives. More than 25,000 Malians have fled terrorist activity in their own nation; some are in camps in high-risk areas. ***Pray for the efforts of the churches to help their members and others who have left everything, to rebuild their lives. Pray that Malians and other displaced foreigners would have an opportunity to hear the gospel.***
- **Mali:** Three villages in the central region suffered attacks this past week. An alumnus serving there notes, “This is our daily life now.... [The jihadists] are not even afraid of being seen in some central locations.” Further, a prominent imam has formed a political party and is calling for the ouster of Mali's president. Though most of its people are Muslim, Mali is a secular state, with no state religion. Only God's people have the answer that can bring peace to this nation! ***Pray that the Lord would strengthen His people in Mali and use His Church to turn many to Him. Pray for the salvation of jihadists and for political leaders.***
- **Nigeria:** On Wednesday, June 3, nine Christians, including members of an Assemblies of God church, were killed in an attack on their village. Seven were kidnapped, and 60 others are missing. See the story at <https://tinyurl.com/tudundoka>. This past Tuesday, Boko Haram fighters attacked another village, killing more than 80 men and children who were tending their cattle and setting the village on fire as they left. ***Pray for these families, that the Lord would comfort them. Pray that in this situation many (including the jihadists!) would find new hope in Jesus.***

Churches in these nations are now reopening as coronavirus restrictions are being lifted. Pray that the Lord would protect them from both the virus and from attacks, and bless them as they build the Kingdom!

Prayer Resources

For the 2020 World Watch List, ranking the 50 nations where believers suffer most, see <https://tinyurl.com/wwlist2020>.

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/>.