

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

He who dwells in the shelter of the Most High will abide in the shadow of the Almighty (Ps 91:1, ESV).

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

**CAMEROON:** For the second year running, Cameroon tops the Norwegian Refugee Council's annual list of the world's most neglected displacement crises.\* Currently, this Central Africa nation is suffering four rarely publicized crises. Nearly 200 WAAST alumni serve here, and they and their ministries are affected and even shaped by these issues. Let's pray concerning these four crises:

- Terrorism and Islamic influence in the Far North Region. Most of the population here follows Islam and are thus more difficult to reach with the gospel. Attacks by Boko Haram militants are frequent and some 500,000 people have fled the area. Pray for the churches and believers as they seek to reach their neighbors, and for the Bible school that is training workers.
- The Anglophone Crisis in the Northwest and Southwest Regions. Cameroon is made up of eight French-speaking and two English-speaking regions. Since 2016, separatists in the two anglophone regions have called for secession and the creation of a new nation, Ambazonia. This ongoing civil war has killed more than 3,000 civilians, and about 800,000 have fled into the bush, to other parts of Cameroon, or to neighboring countries. Pray for those pastoring in these regions, often at great risk as the streets are not safe, and some as refugees in the bush. Social media has helped keep many connected when they cannot meet, and has proven effective in reaching out to the Muslims in the communities as well. Pray for an end to this deadly conflict and for the salvation of many souls!
- Refugees from Central African Republic in the east. About 275,000 refugees from the CAR have fled violence in their country, which began when Muslim insurgents overthrew CAR's president in 2013 and has resulted in an ongoing Muslim/ "Christian" conflict. Most of these refugees are Muslims. Pray that many would find the Lord.
- *COVID-19.* Of the nine Central African nations, Cameroon has the most cases, now over 10,000. Churches have been able to meet, with restrictions. May many find hope in Jesus in this time of uncertainty.

NIGER: Churches here have reopened as coronavirus restrictions are eased. In this predominately Muslim nation, some pastors expanded their outreach through social media during the time of lockdown. An alumnus notes, "We are followed not only by Christians but to a large extent by Muslims. It's a new paradigm... God has opened for us a great and effective door. Terrorism and religious extremism have given us access to hearts that were otherwise inaccessible. I believe that the online messages touch those connected to the Internet, as they don't run any risk listening online." Many who listen cannot publicly respond, but may contact the pastor privately. Please pray

- that the Lord would give pastors wisdom as many continue to use social media to reach out.
- that the message of the saving gospel would spread through WhatsApp groups and other social media, to reach more who would likely never hear it otherwise.
- for those who want to follow Christ, that they would make contact with a believer who can disciple them.

## **Prayer Resources**

\*Nine of the top 10 nations are in Africa. See the report at <a href="https://tinyurl.com/camnrc19">https://tinyurl.com/camnrc19</a>.

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

Global Initiative is a ministry of Assemblies of God World Missions, USA. Visit <a href="https://reachingmuslimpeoples.com/">https://reachingmuslimpeoples.com/</a> 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 <a href="https://prayingformuslims.com/">https://prayingformuslims.com/</a>.

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

For news updates concerning persecuted Christians, visit <a href="http://morningstarnews.org/">http://worldwatchmonitor.org/</a>, and <a href="http://www.releaseinternational.org/">http://www.releaseinternational.org/</a>.

For prayer requests, visit <a href="http://www.opendoorsusa.org/pray/">http://www.opendoorsusa.org/pray/</a> and <a href="http://www.persecution.com/public/pray.aspx">http://www.opendoorsusa.org/pray/</a> and <a href="http://www.persecution.com/public/pray.aspx">http://www.persecution.com/public/pray.aspx</a>.

To help you answer Muslims' questions about God's Word, see <a href="http://muslimsask.com/">http://muslimsask.com/</a>, <a href="http://muslimsask.com/">http://muslimsask.com/</a>, <a href="http://muslimsask.com/">http://muslimsask.com/</a>, <a href="http://muslimsask.com/">http://muslimsask.com/</a>, <a href="http://muslimsask.com/">http://muslimsask.com/</a>, and <a href="http://muslimsask.com/">http://muslimsask.com/</a>, <a href="http://muslimsask.com/">http://muslimsask.com/</a>, and <a href="http://muslimsask.com/">http://muslimsask.com/<