

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

You, Lord, are my lamp; the Lord turns my darkness into light (2Sa 22:29).

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

**BURKINA FASO:** As terrorist activity continues in a growing number of regions of this Muslim-majority nation, an alumnus pastoring here asks us to pray

- that churches that have been closed in the northern, eastern, and northwestern regions may reopen;
- for believers that have been displaced and dispersed to preserve their lives, that the Lord would meet their material, financial, and psychological needs as they wait for peace;
- that all church activities may resume, such as evening services and mass evangelistic campaigns, now rarely held because of insecurity;
- that God would touch the hearts of unbelievers, that this situation of insecurity would lead them to give their lives to the Lord Jesus Christ;
- that God would strengthen all the Christian faithful in the country and give them methods of evangelism adapted to these uncertain times;
- for his own church: for numerical and spiritual growth, for needed equipment for ministry, and that they would receive the title to their land, paid for three years ago.

**DR CONGO:** An alumnus working in the troubled North Kivu Province writes: "I would like to thank you for supporting us in prayer here, where atrocities continue despite the presence of the loyalist and UN forces. October 2 marked the 6th sad anniversary of the massacres that continue to claim victims, with more than 5,000 dead and more than 3,500 people kidnapped. The perpetrators are the jihadist and Islamist ADF Ugandan rebels...." They are also active in the Ituri Province to the north. **Pray for God's intervention, and that Jesus would reveal himself to these militants. Pray for provision for those who have been displaced, and for the churches as they reach out with hope.** 

**GUINEA-CONAKRY:** Presidential elections will be held here on Sunday, October 18. An alumnus serving in this strongly Muslim nation asks us to pray "that God would give us peace; whenever there are troubles, the Church is attacked indirectly."

## World Watch List 2020: Turkey (36/50)\*

Linking two continents, Turkey borders Greece in Europe and extends eastward into southwestern Asia. Though Turkey is officially a secular state, there is a strong sentiment that to be a Turk is to be Muslim, and 99% of its 82 million people follow Islam. Religion is noted on ID cards, leading to employment discrimination. Those who leave Islam are a shame to their families and pressured to return or face persecution. In the past two years, more than 50 expatriate Christians have been arrested, expelled, or refused entry—most of whom had been legally working with the few Protestant churches for years. Please pray (1) that God would strengthen the believers in their faith and knowledge of His Word, (2) that Muslim seekers would find Jesus and stand against opposition, (3) that God would soften the hearts of the leaders toward His people. For more information and prayer requests, see <a href="https://tinyurl.com/wwl36tur">https://tinyurl.com/wwl36tur</a>.

## **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 <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 <a href="http://sayhelloinfo.com/">http://sayhelloinfo.com/</a>.

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.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/">h