

## Intercede for the Muslim World!

Rejoice always, pray continually, give thanks in all circumstances, for this is God's will for you... (1Th 5:16-18).

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

**CHAD:** An alumnus who serves at a Bible school here shares two requests:

- "Pray for us.... We're barely functioning and don't know what to do. We are in a common classroom even though we have two levels and three different classes. We have 26 students, including 2 women. *May God provide finances, materials and even infrastructure to house the classes.*"
- Pray for the Assemblies of God primary/middle school on the campus. This school serves 66 children of the Bible school students and some from the community. The COVID-19 pandemic has made it difficult for people to pay school fees. Pray for provision for families, and for the salvation of those from Muslim homes.

**THE GAMBIA:** A worker here writes: "Please pray for our churches in The Gambia to recover from the COVID-19 shutdowns. We are only at about 50%. It's hard on everyone but especially hard on new believers. Also, Christmas and New Year are some of our biggest days for evangelism. Pray that we will see souls saved and God's Kingdom established in the hearts of people."

GUINEA: A student who serves as missions director for the Assemblies of God of Benin asks us to pray for a new work in a southeastern town in Guinea. "They are Muslims, but God is at work mightily." *Pray for the Beninese workers there, for the spiritual growth and witness of these news believers, and for resources for the work.* 

The Benin AG has workers serving in three other Muslim-majority nations in West Africa, and plans to send a unit to a fourth soon. Two Beninese currently studying in France will remain to serve there. We *praise God* that during this challenging year, the Benin AG continues to be able to support these workers. God is faithful! *Pray that these workers will see many come to the Lord in their respective fields.* 

## World Watch List 2020: Oman (42/50)\* https://tinyurl.com/wwl420

Oman is a small nation on the Arabian Peninsula, and an Islamic state. About 90% of its 5 million people follow Islam. An Omani citizen is constitutionally allowed to privately convert to another religion, but will face extreme pressure from family and tribe to return to Islam or be ostracized. About 1% of the people in Oman claim to be evangelical Christians, most of these being foreigners (foreign workers make up 46% of Oman's population). Churches may meet but must be registered and may be monitored for political activity or proselytism. Please pray

- that believers from other nations would have opportunities to witness privately about Jesus, and that the Spirit would open hearts to receive the gospel;
- for those who are questioning and seeking, that the Lord would reveal himself to them;
- for God's protection over domestic workers, especially women, who are often subject to abuse. May their quiet witness serve to lead their employers to Jesus.

## **Prayer Resources**

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

For a weekly lesson and prayer topic about an aspect of Islam, see https://prayingformuslims.com/.

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://www.unchangingword.com/</a>, and <a href="http://muslimsask.com/">http://www.unchangingword.com/</a>, and <a href="http://answeringislam.org/">http://answeringislam.org/</a>.