



Intercede for the Muslim World!

"Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved" (Ro 10:13)

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

DR CONGO: An alumnus asks us to pray concerning the deteriorating security situation in the northeast. Congo's President has declared the provinces of North Kivu and Ituri under a state of siege and has replaced the local administrations with military rule for the next 30 days. Attacks are perpetrated mainly by the Muslim extremist group ADF, but others also take advantage of the instability. On Saturday, two villages were attacked, with some 20 killed. Later that day, an imam (Muslim teacher) leading prayers in the main mosque in Beni was shot and killed by an unknown assassin. This imam was known for his position against extremists and local armed groups. Please pray

- for divine protection over the people in this region, who suffer at the hands of extremist groups, bandits, and even abusive peacekeeping personnel;
- for wisdom for the authorities assigned to govern during this time; many fear an abuse of power;
- for the Muslims and Christians alike who have lost loved ones (300+ killed so far this year);
- that disillusioned Muslims would question their faith and seek peace in the True God.

Pray for Muslims during Ramadan

Muslims around the world have entered the fourth week of Ramadan, their month of fasting. The last 10 days are considered the holiest, particularly the Night of Power (May 8 or 9 depending on the moon sightings). This night marks the night the Koran was passed down from heaven. Reciting the Koran, praying, spending time alone in worship in a mosque or a quiet corner at home, and giving during this time is said to bring a thousand months worth of blessing. Those who ask sincerely will have their sins forgiven by Allah. *Pray that the Holy Spirit himself would answer the cries of seekers for true forgiveness and that many would have revelations of Jesus, their true Savior.* For a short prayer video on the Night of Power, see <https://prayercast.com/laylat-al-qadr.html>.

*World Watch List 2021: Iraq (11/50)**

Islam was introduced into this then-Christian region around the time of Mohammad's death, nearly 1400 years ago. Today Islam is the state religion, and some 96% of Iraq's 40 million people are Muslims. Of the small number of Christians, very few are Iraqi Arabs, and fewer yet are evangelical believers. Because of the discrimination, loss of social rights, and threats of attack that they face, most Christians keep their faith a secret. Although largely eliminated from Iraq, ISIS terrorists still carry out attacks, targeting non-Muslims and particularly Christians. Let's pray

- that the Lord would encourage and protect believers and give them opportunities to share the way of salvation;
- that many seekers would be reached through Bible studies and teachings on social media and Web sites;
- for the nearly 2 million people displaced within Iraq by conflict over the years, that they would come in contact with believers and find security in Jesus;
- for the thousands of Iraqis who live outside of Iraq, that many would find Jesus and tell other Iraqis.

For more information and prayer requests, see <https://www.prayercast.com/iraq.html>.

Prayer Resources

*For the 2021 World Watch List, ranking the 50 nations where believers suffer most, see <https://tinyurl.com/wwl2021>.

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://answeringslam.org/>.