



Intercede for the Muslim World!

I call on you, my God, for you will answer me; turn your ear to me and hear my prayer (Ps 17:6).

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

DR CONGO: Continue to pray concerning the ongoing jihadist activity in northeastern DRC. This past Sunday, an alumnus wrote, "Today in Beni a homemade bomb exploded in a Catholic church and seriously injured two people. It was at 6:00 am before the beginning of their mass. It is not known how the explosive was introduced into the Catholic church. Many observers believe that it is the Ugandan rebel ADF Islamists, who are massacring the population." A few hours later he sent another message: "I am sad to inform you that another bomb has just exploded in the city at 7:30 p.m., and the blast has killed one person and injured several others. Please pray for us that the Lord will protect us."

GUINEA: A graduate working in the north writes, "Pray for us, as we are in the process of posting new pastors, and we have serious problems renting houses for them. Muslims are not willing to rent to them. It's only by the grace of God that we are living in rented houses." *Pray that the Lord would give these pastors favor and bless their witness.*

In the News

LEBANON: A worker writes: "Please pray for Lebanon as there is considerable tension among the masses due to the ongoing issues of the economy, 90% devaluation of the local currency, gas shortage, lack of work, lack of medicine, and no progress on the formation of a new government. Demonstrations have become violent in various places and the security forces are responding. *Pray for God's peace and mercy to be made known in the hearts of the Lebanese as well as protection for all.*" More than 60% of Lebanon's 5.2 million citizens follow Islam, and 37% claim to be Christians (mainly Maronite Catholics). Added to this number are 1.7 million Syrian refugees, mainly Muslims. Since the devastating explosion at the Beirut port on August 4, 2020, which destroyed 85% of the nation's grain reserves and much more, Lebanon has been in economic freefall. Days after this event, the entire government resigned and has been replaced with a limited "caretaker" government. *Pray that in these days of political and economic turmoil, many, Lebanese and refugees alike, will open their hearts and minds to the message of the gospel of peace.*

*World Watch List 2021: Mauritania (20/50)**

The Islamic Republic of Mauritania, in Western Africa's Sahara Desert, is sparsely populated by some 4 million people. Most people are either Black Moors, descended from slaves, or White Moors, of Arab-Berber descent. White Moors still oppress and even enslave the Black Moors. West African tribes make up 30% of the population. All of these groups follow Islam by law, and any attempts to leave Islam, and certain forms of blasphemy, are punishable by death. Christians must keep their faith a secret to retain their citizenship, families, even their lives. Women and girls risk forced marriages to Muslims. Let's pray

- for the few evangelical believers in Mauritania (perhaps a few hundred), that they would be encouraged and grow in their faith, and that their quiet witness would touch the hearts of others;
- that the strict laws concerning apostasy would be revoked;
- that many would access online Christian resources in Hassaniya Arabic and other languages used there.

For a prayer video about Mauritania, see <https://tinyurl.com/impmaur20>.

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.

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/>.