



## Intercede for the Muslim World!

*Sing to the LORD, all the earth; proclaim his salvation day after day. Declare his glory among the nations, his marvelous deeds among all peoples (1Ch 16:23-24).*

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

**GUINEA-CONAKRY:** This past Sunday, September 5, a military coup toppled the president of this Muslim-majority nation in West Africa. The city has remained peaceful as the military works toward establishing a transitional government. Pray that peace would hold and that the new leaders would allow churches and ministries continued freedom to work.

The general superintendent of the Assemblies of God-Guinea reports that since 2016 the AG has seen great growth: from under 70 churches to 120 and from 4,500 members to 12,000. He asks us to pray

- for the opening this year of a Bible school to train lay-people. Due to a shortage of pastors, most churches are led by laymen. Land has been purchased and paid for in part. Pray that the rest may be paid and for the building of 10 simple huts to house weekend students, and a larger building for training.
- for more men—at least 20 per year—to enroll in the Bible school. The school has graduated 37 new pastors over the past four years, but many more are needed.

**SENEGAL:** The western-most country in Africa, Senegal is home to some 16 million people from 54 people groups. More than 95% follow Islam, most of them adhering to one of four Sufi Muslim brotherhoods, and remain largely resistant to the gospel. But according to a church leader in the AG-Senegal, God is moving as His people intercede! He shares with us some praise reports and prayer requests:

- **Praise God** that “the number of training programs and people going into ministry has been increasing.”
- Many Senegalese feel that “evangelical = foreign.” **Pray** that the Lord would “multiply the number of local pastors and preachers to invade the country” with the gospel that is for *all* people.
- **Pray** that the Holy Spirit would strengthen the faith of workers and help them to persevere; many have come to serve here and left very discouraged.
- **Pray** for the *talibé* boys. These are young boys and teens who have been turned over, usually by relatives, to a *marabout* (Muslim religious leader) for Koranic education. They live in poor, overcrowded conditions and are sent out each day to collect money for their teacher, under the threat of beatings if they do not meet their quota. Underfed, they must beg for food as well. Pray that as they encounter many on the street, they would encounter those who would show them Jesus.
- **Praise God** for believers in the Senegalese diaspora—those who have moved overseas and have accepted Jesus. These believers are key to reaching those in Senegal with the gospel for the simple reason that, since they bring money to their families, they are less likely to be opposed as they share their faith.

### 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://answeringslam.org/>.