



Intercede for the Muslim World!

Who shall separate us from the love of Christ? Shall trouble or hardship or persecution or famine or nakedness or danger or sword? (Ro 8:35)

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

BENIN: Traditionally, most people in this West African nation have served the gods of voodoo and other animistic religions. Today more than half adhere to a church, but many mix traditional beliefs with Christian doctrine. Islam now claims nearly 30% of the population. An alumnus asks us to pray concerning these challenges:

- “Islam is pushing us out of areas where we (the Assemblies of God) are. They are building mosques there, even if there aren’t any Muslims.” In one area, the number of AG church has dwindled from 40 to 6. Pray that the believers in these areas would stand firm in their faith and that the Lord would use them to reach Muslims who do move in and those who convert to Islam.
- Two mosques have been constructed close to the Bible school where this alumnus serves, a tacit statement of domination. Pray that this would serve to stir the students’ hearts to see the need to reach Muslims and to pray fervently for them!
- Most of the 30+ workers sent by the Benin AG to work within the country serve in Muslim areas, and progress is often slow and discouraging. Pray that the Holy Spirit would encourage these workers and help them to continue planting seeds that will one day bring a harvest.
- Jihadists are known to be moving south from Burkina Faso into northern Benin. Pray that the Lord would thwart any attacks, recruiting efforts, etc., and lead these fighters to salvation.

BURKINA FASO: An alumnus shares an urgent request for healing for a worker sent from Burkina to serve in Niger. This worker and his family recently arrived, and he has fallen seriously ill and has been hospitalized. Pray for his healing, for strength and encouragement for the family—and that the Lord would use this situation for His glory.

MALI: A student and church leader shares two requests:

- Pray for members of an AG church in the southeastern part of Mali who were attacked this past weekend. Incited by the local imam and chief, villagers went to the church and beat an unknown number of members, who had to be taken to the hospital. This is not the first attack on the church. The community leaders order: “Don’t speak the name of [your] God in this town” and say that Christians should leave. He asks us to pray for this church, “that God would show His power and work in this village, and that this would not happen again.”
- A European worker serving in Mali fell to her death from atop a mountain this past weekend. She worked with this student and others in ministry to prisoners. Pray for comfort for her family at home and for the churches in Mali—and that the seeds she has sown in many hearts would grow into deep faith in Jesus.

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 <https://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/>.