

Intercede for the Muslim World!

Let them give thanks to the LORD for his unfailing love and his wonderful deeds for mankind, for he satisfies the thirsty and fills the hungry with good things (Ps 107:8-9).

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

MALI: A pastor writes: "Pray for Pastor 'E', who was recently kidnapped in [a certain area of Mali's southernmost region]. His motorcycle was found but he was not." Pray for his safety and release.

CAMEROON: An alumnus has planted two churches in the Muslim-dominated northern area of Cameroon. On August 1, neighbors broke down the walls of one of the churches. The pastor says, "We are doing the work no matter the attacks on the churches." He asks us to pray for (1) "strength and courage to continue the work there, (2) love towards the people, (3) strategies to spread the gospel." The church is rebuilding "with much difficulty." Pray that many would be touched by the steadfast witness of the believers and that the Lord would provide the means to rebuild —even through those in the community!

SENSITIVE COUNTRY: A WAAST adjunct professor asks for prayer for two men and their families who left their own country due to persecution and who now attend his church:

- "M" was imprisoned in his homeland for his faith, and even after being released and moving to another country, he was monitored. He and his family have relocated—and he continues to boldly share the gospel. Pray for God's protection over him and his family, and that his relentless witness would continue to bear fruit.
- "A" also left his country to escape persecution, and his family has joined him. They need to return, however, to obtain certain documents. Pray that God would grant them a safe journey and success in this endeavor.

Pray that both of these families would have a great impact in their new community in the Muslim-majority nation where they have settled.

World Watch List 2021: Jordan (38/50)*

Western Jordan is part of Christianity's Holy Land, but today 97% of Jordan's 10.3 million people are Muslims. Islam is the state religion, but freedom of religion is allowed—to a point. Christians belonging to the Orthodox or Roman Catholic churches enjoy more freedom, but churches that seek to evangelize are restricted. People who leave Islam to follow Jesus are marginalized and face severe consequences, including arrest and death, if they share their faith with others. While the moderate government stifles extremist or political preaching in mosques, radicalized citizens who have returned from Syria and Iraq pose further threats to society in general and Christians in particular. Please pray

- for new converts and seekers, for their protection and spiritual growth;
- that the Spirit would equip believers with courage and creative ways to share their faith with Muslims;
- that the 2.9 million refugees here, most of whom are Muslim, would have access to a clear gospel message;
- that many would be reached through the many Christian programs on satellite TV, radio, and the Internet.

See a prayer video at <u>https://www.prayercast.com/jordan.html</u>

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 <u>https://reachingmuslimpeoples.com/</u> 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 <u>http://www.waast.org/pray-with-us/pray-for-the-unreached/</u>.

For news updates concerning persecuted Christians, visit <u>http://morningstarnews.org/</u>, <u>http://worldwatchmonitor.org/</u>, and <u>http://www.releaseinternational.org/</u>.

For prayer requests, visit <u>http://www.opendoorsusa.org/pray/</u> and <u>http://www.persecution.com/public/pray.aspx</u>.

To help you answer Muslims' questions about God's Word, see <u>http://muslimsask.com/</u>, <u>http://www.unchangingword.com/</u>, and <u>http://answeringislam.org/</u>.