



Intercede for the Muslim World!

Let us not become weary in doing good, for at the proper time we will reap a harvest if we do not give up (Ga 6:9).

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

The youth department of the Assemblies of God in a particular country has targeted a largely unreached Muslim people group in one city and plan to erect a tabernacle (a steel structure that will serve as a meeting place) to serve those who respond to the gospel. Please pray that the Lord would prepare hearts to receive Jesus, and for the building efforts. Pray that through this project many of these young people would sense a growing burden to reach Muslims.

In the News

NORTHWESTERN NIGERIA: Ansuru, a splinter group of Islamic terrorist group Boko Haram, released a video on December 31 affirming its affiliation with Al-Qaida and stating its plans to establish itself in the northwestern part of Nigeria. Boko Haram and other groups have functioned largely in northeastern Nigeria, but all groups (Islamic State, Ansura, Boko Haram, and others) are now vying for influence in the northwest. This area already greatly suffers from killings; kidnappings; the destruction of villages, farmland, and businesses; and cattle rustling done by “bandits” (usually Muslim). Both bandits and terrorist groups actively recruit young people, and trade arms between them. Please pray

- that the Lord in His mercy would reveal himself to these terrorists through visions and dreams;
- for the young people in these States, that they might resist the temptation to join these groups;
- for the churches and believers in this Muslim-dominated region, that they might stand firm, be encouraged, walk in the power of the Holy Spirit as never before, and be moved by the Spirit to reach those around them;
- that many who live in fear would find peace in their hearts through Jesus, and for God’s miraculous provision for those who have lost homes and livelihoods.

Pray for Muslims in Marseilles, France

Marseilles is France’s oldest and second-largest city. More than 20% of its 1.6 million people are Muslims, most of them immigrants or children of immigrants from North and sub-Saharan Africa, Lebanon, and other Muslim-majority nations. Many immigrants tend to live in the poorer northern end of the city, where organized crime, drug trafficking, and frequent riots make these “no-go zones”.

Reaching these people is a challenge. Many resist integration into the community. Even if they consider leaving Islam, they are surrounded and drawn by the influences of a secular, even atheistic society. Let’s pray

- for the few Assemblies of God and other evangelical and Pentecostal churches in Marseilles, that they might have a greater burden to reach the Muslims, and that the Holy Spirit would give them creative strategies and open doors;
- for workers who are specifically targeting Muslims, through helping refugees, teaching French as a second language, and other acts of service, that they would see great spiritual fruit.
- for more workers who speak both French and Arabic to come serve in this needy area.

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/>.