

## **Intercede for the Muslim World!**

As for God, his way is perfect: The LORD's word is flawless; he shields all who take refuge in him (2Sa 22:31).

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

**DR CONGO:** Pray for an alumnus, a pastor, who is working to launch a prayer group in his church to intercede for Muslims. Pray that many would develop this burden as the Muslim presence grows throughout their nation.

Continue to pray for northeastern DR Congo. Since 1995, the Ugandan-born terrorist group ADF has been active here and has killed thousands of civilians over the past decade. Despite military rule since May in the provinces of North Kivu and Ituri, attacks continue. Two months ago, after an ADF attack in their own capital city, the Ugandan army entered DR Congo to help contain the insurgency, joining the UN forces and the Congolese army there. Added to the threat of the ADF is the reality of human rights abuses of civilians perpetrated by members of all these groups. Pray for divine intervention in hearts and in this situation. Pray that many—whether terrorist, military, or civilian—would find peace in Jesus.

**SENEGAL:** A few months ago we prayed for an English Center that was soon to reopen in a new, larger facility. This center has provided important connections and opportunities to witness to young people in this Muslim-majority nation. We thank God that the renovations are complete and the small team is ready to begin classes for interested students. However, few have been coming to enroll. A worker asks us to pray

- "that the spirit that is holding people back would be broken; we need a miracle breakthrough";
- for wisdom for the team as they consider how to make the program more available;
- for more workers to help with this program as well as with visitation and discipleship.

## World Watch List 2022: Somalia (3/50)\*

Somalia lies on the Horn of Africa and is home to some 16 million people, nearly all of whom follow Sunni Islam, the official religion. More than 60% of its people are under age 25 and have known nothing but civil war all their lives. The terrorist group Al-Shabaab is especially active as its fighters seek to establish an Islamic State and impose *sharia* law. More than 700,000 Somalis have left the country due to the instability, terrorism, and grinding poverty, and nearly 3 million are internally displaced. The very few Christians are favored targets of jihadists, and families and clans harass and may kill members they know or even suspect have turned to Christ. Let's pray for Somalia.

- Pray for those fighting for Islam, that they might experience a personal revelation of Jesus.
- Pray for the young people, many of whom are lured into terrorist groups by the promise of finances.
- Pray for Christians in Somalia, most of whom are Ethiopian or Italian and belong to traditional churches. Pray that those who do not have a true relationship with Jesus would fall in love with Him and become witnesses for His kingdom.
- Pray for Somali refugees, that in their new homelands they would encounter true believers, hear the gospel, and meet Jesus. May they become intercessors for and witnesses to their families.

## **Prayer Resources**

\*For the 2022 World Watch List, ranking the 50 nations where believers suffer most, see https://tinyurl.com/2022wwl.

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 https://www.waast.org/pray-with-us/pray-for-the-unreached/.

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 http://www.opendoorsusa.org/pray/ and http://www.persecution.com/public/pray.aspx.

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>.