



Intercede for the Muslim World!

How priceless is your unfailing love, O God! People take refuge in the shadow of your wings (Ps 36:7).

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

BENIN: On May 20 and 27, the two Assemblies of God Bible institutes graduated a total of 115 new pastors. A WAAST graduate who serves in one of the schools asks us to pray for these workers, “that many of them would be willing to serve in Islamic settings, because today the fear of serving in those settings is growing.” May the Lord place a great burden in their hearts to reach Muslims and grant them the courage and wisdom to do so.

THE GAMBIA: Since its beginning more than three years ago we have been praying for the Al-Masih Training Center, which prepares pastors and workers to serve in this predominately-Muslim country. *Praise God*, the center held its first graduation ceremony on May 20. Thirteen students received the Diploma in Christian Ministries. Classes are held in the evenings, as most students are involved in full- or part-time ministry. A church leader asks us to pray

- “that they will continue to be empowered by the Holy Spirit for evangelism, discipleship, and church planting;
- “for their strength and finances as most of them enroll in the Advanced Diploma in Leadership and Church Planting;
- “for Al-Masih Gambia Assemblies of God as we endeavor to plant a church in walking distance of every Gambian.”

*World Watch List 2022: Saudi Arabia (11/50)**

The Kingdom of Saudi Arabia occupies most of the Arabian Peninsula and is the birthplace of the Prophet Mohamed and Islam. Every able-bodied Muslim is required once in his or her life to participate in the *hajj*, the yearly pilgrimage to the sites of Mecca and Medina. The Saudi brand of Islam is Wahhabism—strict adherence to Koranic teachings and Islamic law—and any deviation is considered heretical. Immigrants make up more than 35% of the nation’s 35 million people. Most of these are migrant workers from poorer nations, and some bring their Christian faith. These foreign workers are often abused, and Christians cannot openly meet for worship or share their faith. In fact, any known believer risks persecution and deportation, and Saudis who turn to Jesus risk losing their family, livelihood, and life itself. Still, through various media and the testimonies of believers, some are taking that risk. Let’s pray

- that recent changes and openness in the government would lead to greater religious freedom and opportunities to share the Good News;
- for media ministries that are reaching Saudis and responding to their inquiries about the faith;
- for Saudi Arabia’s women, who are beginning to enjoy greater freedom, that they would becoming followers of Jesus and lead their families and others to Him;
- for believers working in the nation, that the Lord would protect them and give them opportunities to share about Him.

For more information and prayer requests, see <https://www.pray-ap.info/saudi.html>.

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 <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 .

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