

Intercede for the Muslim World!

Then I heard the voice of the Lord saying, "Whom shall I send? And who will go for us?" And I said, "Here am I. Send me!" (Is 6:8)

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

TOGO/WEST AFRICA: We have prayed recently for several workers in various Muslim-majority nations, as some leave the field and others assume their responsibilities. Please pray for these Togolese workers (all WAAST students or graduates) assigned to the following fields:

Chad: A family recently returned to Togo after serving for several years at the Assemblies of God Bible school in the southern part of Chad. Another worker, who has been directing the Bambara-language Bible school in Mali, is transferring to Chad to continue this work. The school and its campus church trains and sends out church planters.

Guinea: A new family has just arrived in Guinea. The outgoing worker has accompanied them and is helping them to get established and begin building relationships. This ministry involves a main church and several annexes as well as a primary school.

Mali: A WAAST student and his family are packing their bags for Mali even as he finishes his last semester of studies, and plan to leave just after graduation. He will be directing the Bambara-language Bible school.

Please pray for a smooth transition for all of these workers as they work through cultural adjustments, settle children in school, and assume their responsibilities. Pray for good relationships and favor with other workers and in the communities, and that each ministry would bear more fruit than ever.

World Watch List 2022: Algeria (22/50)*

Once a Christian region and home of St. Augustine, the North African nation of Algeria was overrun by Arabs beginning in the 7th century. Today Islam is the state religion, and all of the 27 indigenous people groups are considered unreached. Of some 45 million people, only an estimated 0.07% are evangelical Christians, most of whom are less-Arabized Kabyle Berbers living in the mountainous north. Churches are at best tolerated, and their witness is hampered by laws against any action that could "shake the faith of a Muslim." Believers are often ostracized by their families, harassed in their communities, even beaten and imprisoned. Over the past few years government authorities have raided and closed 20 Protestant churches. Let's pray

- that the Lord would raise up more workers to serve Arabic-speaking Algerians, who make up most of the population;
- that many would hear and be touched by the Good News broadcast by various media ministries in Arabic and Berber languages through satellite radio and TV and the Internet;
- for an end to restrictions of Bibles and Christian literature, that people may freely own and study them;
- that the Spirit would encourage and strengthen believers in their faith, and use them to draw the attention of Muslims to the Lord, for their salvation and His glory. Praise God, the rate of evangelical growth in Algeria is estimated at 8%, compared to 2.6% worldwide (https://joshuaproject.net/countries/ag).

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 <u>http://www.opendoorsusa.org/pray/</u> and <u>https://www.icommittopray.com/</u>.

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