

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

If God is for us, who can be against us? (Ro 8:31b)

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

**CHAD:** Pray for peace in this nation in the Sahel region of Africa. Already greatly affected by terrorist groups linked to Al-Qaida and the Islamic State, this nation is now being rocked by political protests. When Chad's president of 30 years was killed while visiting troops in April 2021, his son replaced him, promising elections in 18 months. When the elections were put off until 2024, opposition and civil parties called for protests. On October 20, the day the president was to step down, hundreds demonstrated in several cities, with some 50 killed and another 300 injured in clashes with the army. May the Lord use His people here to lead others to His truth and peace.

**SENSITIVE COUNTRY:** In August we prayed for a team of workers who had to evacuate this country due to unrest. *Praise God,* they have been able to return, but must stay in the capital city instead of in the village where they were working. Feeling their time is short, the team's main concern is grounding the young Christians from the village in their faith. "Our plan is to set up a system of discipleship where we are bringing the new believers to us," explains a worker. "We cannot go to the village often or for long, and therefore we are hoping to set up a rotation of having them travel to us." Pray for the success of this endeavor and for safety as people travel. Pray also

- "for supernatural understanding and maturity in the church, especially among the newer believers;
- "for the church plant to see leadership coming from unexpected sources"; currently the young congregation has no trained leader;
- "for divine intervention in our country's political situation."

## World Watch List 2022: Indonesia (28/50)\*

With 277 million people and more than 241 million Muslims, Indonesia, in Southeast Asia, has the largest Muslim population in the world. It also has the greatest number of Christians in any Muslim nation, with an estimated 15 million evangelical believers. Yet some 39% of the population remains without a local Christian witness. Indonesia's constitution guarantees freedom of religion, however, the more conservative Islam that now dominates has brought added pressure on believers and made it more difficult for Muslims to turn to Jesus. In the World Watch List, Indonesia jumped in rank from #47 in 2021 to #28 this year, due mainly to a rise in violence. Muslim-background believers and seekers face opposition from their families and communities. Churches in many areas are denied building permits, and those that reach out to the lost may become the targets of extremists. Let's pray

- for the Spirit's protection over and encouragement for believers;
- for Indonesia's leaders, who are working to apply principles of democracy in this strongly Muslim society, that they might uphold freedom of religion and show favor to Christian workers and openness to the gospel;
- for the Assemblies of God of Indonesia and other churches as they work to bring people into God's kingdom (the AGI has some 2200 churches and 13 Bible schools);
- that the Lord would thwart the plans of terrorists and reveal himself to them, for their salvation.

For more information and prayer requests, see https://tinyurl.com/agindo.

## **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>.