



## 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*

**NIGERIA:** An alumnus writes: “We really need your prayers as we are about to have our elections here. We want God to put in power those that will allow freedom of worship. We really need God's intervention in Nigeria at this time.” The presidential election is scheduled for Saturday, February 25, to replace the incumbent Muslim president. Of the three front-running candidates, two are Muslims. Nigeria is roughly split between Muslims in the north and Christians in the south, but Islam is gaining ground in the south, often through terrorism. Pastors and believers are favored targets of extremists and bandits, who often kidnap and hold them for ransom. *Please pray that the elections would take place in peace, and that the gospel may be openly proclaimed throughout this land.*

**TOGO:** According to reports, two villages in northern Togo were attacked on the night of February 10, leaving 31 dead. As jihadists seek to move further south toward the coast, Togo, as well as neighboring Benin, is seeing more attacks. Please pray (1) for comfort for the grieving families and healing for those wounded and traumatized; (2) for the Assemblies of God (and other) churches and pastors faithfully ministering in the area, for their protection and for opportunities to bring many to the Lord; and (3) that God would bless the efforts of the Togolese army and government as they work to protect people and institute various projects to meet the needs of those in this region.

### *World Watch List 2023: Libya (5/50)\**

Libya, home to some 7 million people, lies just west of Egypt in North Africa. Most people follow Islam, the official religion. Since the toppling in 2011 of the government led by strongman Muammar Gaddafi, two rival governments have emerged, leaving the nation in disarray. In this context of instability, several terrorist groups operate, finance networks, and provide arms used in sub-Saharan Africa. Libya is a major thoroughfare for Africans seeking to reach Europe, who pay smugglers to guide them. Sadly, many migrants are detained in overcrowded camps, sold as slaves and laborers, imprisoned, or deported. Some from sub-Saharan Africa have been able to make a life there and have their own churches. However, Libyans are not allowed to attend, and Libyan converts from Islam face great persecution and even death at the hands of their families and communities. Let's pray

- for our brothers and sisters in Libya, for their protection and for opportunities to fellowship and grow together, and to quietly witness to families and friends;
- that seekers of truth would have revelations of Jesus and opportunities to learn of His offer of salvation;
- for stability in the government, and that elections, which have been repeatedly postponed, can be held in 2023;
- for the Lord's intervention in the lives of terrorists and criminals, that they may find Him.

### *Prayer Resources*

\*For the 2023 World Watch List, ranking the 50 nations where believers suffer most, see <https://tinyurl.com/wwl23uk>

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 <https://www.icommittoprayer.com/>.

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