



## Intercede for the Muslim World!

*You will seek me and find me when you seek me with all your heart (Jer 29:13).*

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

**CENTRAL SAHEL:** This past week UNICEF published a report concerning the worsening plight of children in the central Sahel nations of Burkina Faso, Mali, and Niger, due to ongoing terrorist activity. Ten million are in need of humanitarian aid—twice the number reported in 2020. Education is a great concern, as “[o]ver 8,300 schools have shut down across the three countries because they were directly targeted, teachers have fled, or because parents were displaced or too frightened to send their children to school” (<https://tinyurl.com/UnChAlert>). These closures leave hundreds of thousands of children and teens with little hope for the future and vulnerable to recruitment. Praise God, the Assemblies of God in each of these nations operates schools to which many Muslim families send their children.

The **Burkina Faso** AG has 64 schools and more than 20 high schools, besides those established and run by local AG churches. A girls boarding school has grown to 450 students and will graduate its first high school class in July. A few schools have temporarily closed due to instability.

The **Mali** AG runs eight primary schools and a high school. Two schools are located in unstable regions but have remained open. Some of the Muslim students are war orphans or living in other difficult situations.

The **Niger** AG runs four primary schools in the interior and five in the capital city. Three of these schools offer education through high school. All are open; one is in an area where many of the governments schools have closed.

Let's pray for these schools and the children in the central Sahel:

- Pray for God's protection over these schools, the students and their families, and the teachers and their families. Pray that Muslim families would recognize that the true God is the One providing this protection.
- Pray for provision. Many teachers serve these schools at great personal sacrifice, and many families find it difficult to pay school fees. May the Lord work indisputable miracles of provision in their lives.
- Pray for the salvation of children and their families as they are exposed to the gospel in these schools.
- Pray for students, especially those completing high school in a few weeks, that they would succeed in their end-of-year exams. The AG schools are typically at the top of the national rankings, which is a source of pride and favor in the communities.

**GUINEA-CONAKRY:** A student pastoring here asks us to pray for a certain area dominated by the Fulani, who are strongly Muslim. The officials in the various towns have resisted all efforts to begin a work among them. Pray that the Holy Spirit would touch their hearts and those of the townspeople, that they would be open to the lifesaving Word.

### *Pray for Muslims during Ramadan*

Ramadan, the Muslim month of fasting, began this past Thursday. From dawn to dark, Muslims around the world abstain from all food and drink, read the Koran, redouble their prayers, and give alms, believing that their efforts during this period bring extra blessing from Allah. As they fast, they sense their physical hunger and reflect on their dependence on Allah. At the end of each day, they satisfy their physical hunger—but the spiritual hunger remains.

***Let's pray that Muslims would become desperate to satisfy this gnawing spiritual hunger, and seek the true God.***

### *Prayer Resources*

The 2023 World Watch List, ranking the 50 nations where believers suffer most: <https://tinyurl.com/ww123uk>

Global Initiative and its Jumaa Prayer Fellowship (a ministry of Assemblies of God World Missions, USA), information and resources concerning ministry to and prayer for Muslims : <https://reachingmuslimpeoples.com/>

Say Hello, prayer requests and resources on ministry to Muslim women: <https://sayhelloinfo.com/>

For a weekly prayer topic about an aspect of Islam: <https://prayingformuslims.com/>

For suggestions on starting a prayer group: <https://www.waast.org/pray-with-us/pray-for-the-unreached/>

For news updates concerning persecuted Christians: <http://morningstarnews.org/>, <http://worldwatchmonitor.org/>, and <http://www.releaseinternational.org/>

For prayer requests from around the world: <https://www.icommittoprayer.com/>

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