



Intercede for the Muslim World!

And everyone who calls on the name of the LORD will be saved... (Joel 2:32).

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

SENSITIVE COUNTRY: The Assemblies of God in a West African nation desires to send a worker to a closed Islamic nation and are seeking a platform that will allow him to enter and work. Pray that the Holy Spirit would guide them in His wisdom, open the door, and prepare this worker for effective service in this country.

Pray for Muslims during Ramadan

This coming week Muslims observe the most special night of Ramadan: the Night of Power or Night of Destiny. This night marks the moment the Angel Gabriel supposedly sent down to Muhammad the first verses of the Quran. It occurs during the last ten days of Ramadan, but Allah has chosen to conceal which night it is, so Muslims are especially devout during this period. The Quran claims that worshiping Allah during this night counts as worship for a thousand months—more than 83 years. As people pray for themselves and for others, reflect on Allah, read or recite the Quran, and give to the needy, the gates of heaven are open and angels descend to bring mercy, blessing, and forgiveness. Because a Muslim's good deeds must outweigh the bad in order for him to enter Paradise, serious Muslims spend the night in the mosque, to gain the extra merit offered. Please pray for these seekers.

- Pray that, as Muslims ask Allah for forgiveness—knowing they will need to do it again and again—they would recognize their inadequacy and long for the assurance of salvation.
- Pray that this longing would lead them to be open to the message of salvation through Jesus, and that they might hear a clear presentation of this message through dreams or through God's people.

2023 World Watch List: Sudan (10/50)*

Sudan, in northeastern Africa, was a Christian nation for 1,000 years, until Arabs introduced Islam in the 1300s. Today, some 92% of Sudan's 46 million people follow Islam, with 132 of its 162 people groups considered unreached. About 2 million people claim to be Christians (an estimated 0.68% are evangelical believers), and are a despised minority. Under the rule of conservative Islamic dictator al-Bashir, beginning in 1989, churches were closed and leaders arrested, and any Muslim who turned to Christ faced the death penalty. After al-Bashir was ousted in 2019, the transitional government eased restrictions on Christians and churches, but the new freedoms were short-lived as the military took power in a coup in 2021. This very week, on April 11, a new transitional civilian government was to be announced, but infighting between two military groups has halted the process. Let's pray

- that the Lord would soften the hearts of authorities, that they would be willing to allow the Good News to spread across this hurting land;
- that nominal Christians would seek a personal relationship with Jesus, grow in true faith, and reach others;
- that the Holy Spirit would fill Christian families with boldness and conviction to share their faith; many, for fear of being found out, do not even teach their children about Jesus;
- for a small team of workers who are quietly sharing the gospel, discipling Muslims to faith, and encouraging believers. Pray that those they reach and teach would in turn reach others.

Prayer Resources

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

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>