



Intercede for the Muslim World!

...from everlasting to everlasting the Lord's love is with those who fear him... (Ps 103:17a).

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

THE GAMBIA: Pray for a team of workers who are getting established among an unreached people group in the north of this Muslim-majority country. The leader writes, "We are covering our new village now and greeting as many people as we possibly can." Please pray with them

- that the Lord would help them establish good relationships with key people and those in influential positions.
- that the construction of their new homes would go smoothly and quickly, so that they can move out of their temporary houses, which are very small.
- for a miracle of healing for a neighbor. A worker had the opportunity to pray for him, and says, "I truly believe the Holy Spirit said He wants to heal him. He has a withered arm, and two feet so swollen he can't walk, yet I can clearly see him walking, running, and jumping and praising God with a fully restored body." Pray that this gentleman would receive not only physical healing, but the assurance of eternal salvation!

In the News

Six Libyan believers arrested recently face the death penalty for having left Islam and sharing their faith with others. Article 207 of Libya's penal code states, "Any person who promotes in any shape or form theories or principles aimed at changing the fundamental principles of the constitution or the fundamental rules of the social structure...shall be punishable by death." Islam and Islamic law governs this nation, so espousing and preaching another religion is a crime against the state. Pray that the Lord would encourage and strengthen these believers and use this for His glory.

*2023 World Watch List: Iraq (18/50)**

From the patriarch Abraham to the spread of the Early Church, much of the Bible is set in what is now Iraq. Islam was introduced here in 638 AD. In 1900, 30% of Iraq's people belonged to traditional Orthodox and Catholic churches, but since 1925, when Islam was declared the state religion, that number has dropped to under 1% (an estimated 250,000) today. Of these, few are evangelical believers. Christians in traditional churches regularly face discrimination and harassment. Those who leave Islam to follow Jesus suffer at the hands of their family, clan, and community, losing support, their inheritance, even their spouse and children. Christians are targets of Islamic State and other extremist groups operating in the country. More than 40 years of religious conflict, largely between Sunni and Shia Muslims, within and with other nations, has kept citizens in relative poverty, despite rich oil and gas reserves. Let's pray

- for Arab Iraqi believers, many of whom keep their faith secret, that they might grow in their faith, find fellowship, and testify through their lives and words to their families and communities.
- for the Iraqi Kurds, an ancient people who live in an autonomous region in the north and make up 15% of Iraq's population of 43 million. Though most follow Islam, many are open to the gospel; pray that workers and believers among them would reach many for Jesus.
- that those from traditional churches would come to know Jesus as their Savior and Lord.

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>