



Intercede for the Muslim World!

Sing to the LORD, praise his name; proclaim his salvation day after day. Declare his glory among the nations, his marvelous deeds among all peoples (Ps 96:2-3).

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

NORTHERN GHANA: An alumnus pastoring in a Muslim-dominated area shares the following prayer requests:

- Pray for Muslim converts, especially dependent young people and married women, who cannot attend church services or even reveal their faith due to persecution from their families. They quietly attend weekday meetings held just for them. Some are still forced to go to the mosque, but pray there in the name of Jesus. Pray for their spiritual growth and for opportunities to proclaim their love for their Savior.
- Pray for strength for those who suffer overt persecution. When necessary, this pastor sends such individuals to pastors in other areas of the country so they may be free to worship, grow in their faith, and continue their schooling until they can return as non-dependents.
- Pray that the Holy Spirit would touch the hearts of the many children who attend the children's church every week. Many are from Muslim and polygamous families and receive a meal there—perhaps their only meal that day—and hear of God's love for them. Pray that these little ones, and their families, would find salvation.

SENEGAL: French Assemblies of God workers recently visited pastors working in the Casamance, a resistant Muslim/animist area in the south. This region has just a few AG churches; the largest counts about 50 members. They ask us to pray for the local believers and pastors as they pray and work in this difficult context, and for more workers. Pray for an upcoming visit with these pastors to help develop biblical training and to hold evangelistic outreaches.

*2023 World Watch List: Turkmenistan (26/50)**

Turkmenistan, "Land of the Turkmen," lies to the northeast of Iran in Central Asia. About 93% of the nation's estimated 5 million people follow Sunni Islam, and some 6% claim Christianity, most as members of the Russian Orthodox Church. When Turkmenistan was absorbed into the Soviet Union (1924-91), their nomadic way of life was largely ended, their tribal loyalties weakened, and all religion was banned and officially replaced with atheism. While today the Constitution guarantees freedom of religion, both Muslim and Christian activities remain under tight government control, and religious literature cannot be imported or printed. The required registration of churches is nearly impossible to obtain, and religious meetings in home are illegal. Muslims who decide to follow Jesus are especially subject to persecution from their families and communities, who may beat them and lock them up before finally rejecting them. Let's pray

- for the estimated 1,000 Muslim-background believers here, that they might find fellowship and encouragement, and for God's protection over them;
- that believers and seekers would have safe access to the Scriptures; much of the Bible is available in Turkmen in electronic, print, and audio formats;
- for believers working here through humanitarian and other platforms, that they may have open doors of witness and see much fruit!

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>