

Intercede for the Muslim World!

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No one is like you, O Lord; you are great, and your name is mighty in power. Who should not revere you, O King of the nations? This is your due (Jer 10:6-7a).

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

CAMEROON: A student who pastors in Cameroon's Far North Region, where Boko Haram militants have been active for many years, reports that recently the number of attacks has diminished and people are more accepting of the churches' presence. "Before, they wanted to chase us completely out of the village; now they tolerate us being there. Pray for a complete end to Boko Haram's activity here." Pray for peace in this region, and that the loving, steadfast witness of churches and believers would draw many to Jesus.

GUINEA-CONAKRY: A student pastoring in this Muslim-majority nation asks us to pray for a lady, the wife of an imam, who has come to the pastor's wife requesting prayer. This lady has suffered several miscarriages in the past and is now carrying another child. Please pray that this pregnancy would come to term with no complications, and that this lady and her entire family would recognize the amazing love and power of God and become followers of Jesus.

THE GAMBIA: A team of workers is establishing themselves in a village in the north, among a little-reached Muslim tribe. They are currently building their homes and plan to construct a community center and garage and to provide wells. More importantly, they are building relationships with villagers. A team member writes, "The main prayer request right now is that our team would have God's wisdom in deciding our ministry platform (English center, medical, or agriculture)." Please pray that the Spirit would help them to identify the felt needs of the people and guide them in responding to these, so that the gospel may be received and embraced and take root in people's lives.

In the News: Pakistan

On August 16, in Jaranwala, Pakistan, a Christian noticed a paper on a Muslim neighbor's door. On the page he found pictures of himself and his brother. He quickly took down the page, as well as burnt pages of the Quran and a page of blasphemous comments that were attached. Waiting Muslims immediately accused him of blasphemy, and a riot, evidently planned by extremist Muslims, ensued and spread through several neighborhoods. Mobs burned some 20 churches and ransacked 200 homes and businesses belonging to Christians, looting and burning goods and vehicles. Police arrived two hours into the rioting, and eventually Elite Forces were called in to quell the violence. Many who fled are now returning, but have little left with which to rebuild and little confidence in promises made to restore their homes and churches. Christians in Pakistan are a despised minority who are given the most menial jobs and face great persecution, particularly in the form of false accusations of blaspheming Islam. Please pray for these brothers and sisters, that the Lord would provide the material resources they need, emotional healing from the trauma of these attacks, and great spiritual encouragement. Pray God would give them strength to respond in love, and open doors to witness to sympathetic Muslim neighbors, some of whom tried to help the believers during the attack. Read more at https://tinyurl.com/jarpak.

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/, http://www.releaseinternational.org/

For prayer requests from around the world: https://www.icommittopray.com/

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