



Intercede for the Muslim World!

Finally, be strong in the Lord and in his mighty power. Put on the full armor of God, so that you can take your stand against the devil's schemes (Eph 6:10-11).

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

BURKINA FASO: An alumnus, a pastor in an area that hosts many refugees who have fled violence in the north, shares this praise report and prayer requests: “God has used this situation. Muslims from villages we have never been able to reach have been coming to us. Many seek healing, and after searching everywhere with no results, they come to Jesus and are healed. As we help provide for refugees, we share the gospel, and many accept Jesus.” Now, he says, many are returning home to their villages and taking the gospel with them. Please pray

- for peace and stability in the country;
- that God would give these returning believers grace and open doors to share the Good News in their villages;
- for workers (including this pastor) who are planting and leading churches in Muslim villages, as the work is very difficult. May the Holy Spirit encourage them and give them fruit.

NIGER: Urgent: Pray for peace and for God's intervention in Niger, in West Africa's troubled Sahel region. This past Wednesday, a bloodless coup led by the Presidential Guard ousted the president. The junta annulled the constitution and dissolved the government, and the leading general has proclaimed himself head of state. Niger borders Mali and Burkina Faso, which both came under military rule in similar coups in 2021 and 2022 respectively, and until now has enjoyed relative stability under a democratically elected government. Already the situation is causing great division and tension as nations in the region react. Please pray

- for wisdom for government leaders in Niger and in the region;
- that the Lord would thwart the plans of jihadists, who are already active in the country and are likely to take advantage of growing instability;
- that believers and churches would have unprecedented opportunities to share the hope of Jesus;
- that the Lord would use this situation for His glory and the advancement of His kingdom.

SAHEL/AFRICA: Let's continue to intercede for the people living in Africa's Sahelian band and other areas where Islam is growing through the use of force. One article reports: “The scale of the jihadist disaster in Africa is daunting. As well as the Sahel, militants control vast stretches of north-eastern Nigeria and Somalia. In total, these areas are home to more than one in ten sub-Saharan Africans. In the 12 months to June more than 22,000 Africans died in jihadist-related violence, 50% more than in the preceding year and double the number killed in Iraq in 2014 when Islamic State was at its peak” (<https://tinyurl.com/econig>). Pray that many precious souls—including jihadists—will find eternal salvation, through the lives and testimonies of believers and through miraculous revelations of Jesus.

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>