

Intercede for the Muslim World!

Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they will be filled (Mt 5:6).

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

BURKINA FASO: In June we prayed for missions conventions held in Assemblies of God churches across the nation. An alumnus, the pastor of a large church in the capital, had pointed out that, despite instability, displacement, and losses due to incessant terrorist activity, giving for missions had been increasing. This pastor now reports that at their convention his church gave *double* what they were hoping for. The national missions department, to whom the funds are remitted, received "*much more* than it had the year before. We don't understand how," he notes. "People are suffering. But in the suffering they see that things here are temporal, and the eternal things must be given priority." Let's pray that the Lord would bless His people here and for the missions efforts of the AG-Burkina Faso:

- Pray for a missionary family just getting settled in The Gambia, a Muslim-majority nation. Pray for their smooth adjustment to the culture and language, for their children as they adapt to school in English, and for openness and favor in the community as they begin their ministry there.
- Pray for home missionaries throughout Burkina Faso as they plant churches and nurture them in unstable areas, often at the risk of their lives. Pray for a strong anointing of the Holy Spirit as they share the hope of the gospel with people, many of whom are questioning their religion as they see its violent side.
- Pray that the Lord would raise up still more dedicated workers willing to go to new towns, cities, and nations, and for their adequate training and provision.

LIBERIA: We recently prayed for the opening of a new AG primary school in a Muslim town. The director reports that some 60 children are enrolled, most of them in the kindergarten. However, very few of them bring a lunch to school, as most families can provide only one meal a day. They eat nothing during the long school day (8 a.m. to 3 p.m.), and the school does not have the resources to offer meals. "We are praying for God's intervention that will enable us to feed them. To date, we don't know what to do. Please pray with us." Pray for miracles of provision that will serve as testimonies of God's love for these little ones and for their families.

In the News: Israel & Gaza

On Saturday, October 7, militants in the Gaza-based Islamic extremist group Hamas invaded Israel by land, sea, and air in a surprise attack. Israel has responded by firing rockets at Hamas targets, closing Gaza's borders and cutting off supplies and electricity, and mobilizing 300,000 reservists for a possible ground invasion, with the stated goal of eradicating Hamas. Please pray

- that God would intervene and that His Spirit would guide the plans and thoughts of leaders on both sides;
- that true believers in both Israel and Gaza would sense God's peace and find open doors to share Jesus with Jews, Muslims, and the many people who claim to be secular;
- for the safe release of the 150+ hostages taken by Hamas;
- that the war would not escalate on other fronts; missiles have been fired from both Lebanon and Syria and Israel has returned fire.

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://worldwatchmonitor.org/, and 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://answeringislam.org/, and https://jesustomuslims.org