



## **Intercede for the Muslim World!**

*But the Lord is faithful, and he will strengthen you and protect you from the evil one (2Th 3:3).*

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

**GUINEA-CONAKRY:** An alumnus shares these prayer needs concerning the work in the Muslim-dominated central area of this West African nation:

- “Pray for the work of the lay-training school.” Land is being developed to serve as a campus, and two workers, one from Burkina Faso and one from Guinea, serve as teachers. Courses will resume in November; pray that many would have the means to attend.
- “Pray that persecutions would cease [in this region]. Pastors are made to leave their house, to move their place of worship. Land sold to Christians is overpriced. About every three months a church is threatened.”
- Pray for the 11 Assemblies of God churches and 9 pastors now at work in this area, and for the continuing ministry of the AG primary school. May the Lord help these congregations to be salt and light in their communities. Praise God, since 2011 the number of AG churches here has grown from 2 to 11.

### ***In the News: Kyrgyzstan***

In this Muslim-majority nation in Central Asia, citizens are being encouraged to infiltrate church meetings and Christian communities and to video the faces of those who have left Islam to follow Jesus. These videos are then posted on the Internet for the purpose of identifying and persecuting these believers. Although officially a secular state since gaining independence from the Soviet Union in 1991, Kyrgyzstan has become increasingly Islamic, and Christians are considered traitors and accused of being aggressive and intolerant of other faiths. Pray for our brothers and sisters here, that their Christlike lives would refute these false accusations and attract their accusers to Jesus. Pray for their protection and for peace in their hearts.

### ***2023 World Watch List: Qatar (34/50)\****

The small nation of Qatar borders eastern Saudi Arabia and occupies a flat desert peninsula jutting into the Persian Gulf. Oil and natural gas have made it the richest nation in the Arab world and the fourth richest overall. Sunni Islam is the state religion for all Qatari citizens. Some 88% of Qatar's 2.7 million people are settlers from other Arab and North African nations, and workers from Southern Asia. Most of these foreigners are Muslims, but among them are born-again believers who can quietly shine the Light in this rich but spiritually bankrupt land. Let's pray

- for the few Qatari believers, who must keep their faith secret or face rejection, loss of status, forced marriage, and other forms of persecution. May the Lord encourage them and provide support for their spiritual growth.
- for migrant workers, who often face abuse, particularly if they are believers. Pray they would have divine strength and courage to live out their faith in their work contexts and draw others to Jesus.
- for expatriate Muslims who come to Christ and who are persecuted by their own ethnic community as well as by society in general, that they would stand firm, grow in grace, and share God's love with others.
- for the leaders and members of churches serving expatriate communities; congregations can meet, but only on expat compounds and under surveillance. May those monitoring them be touched by what they hear!

### ***Prayer Resources***

\*The 2023 World Watch List, ranking the 50 nations where believers suffer most: <https://tinyurl.com/ww123uk>

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>