

# Jumaa Prayer

for the Muslims of Africa and beyond



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## Intercede for the Muslim World!

*Give praise to the Lord, proclaim his name; make known among the nations what he has done (1Ch 16:8).*

### Today's Prayer Requests: *From Workers*

**BURKINA FASO:** For the second year running, this country in the Sahel tops the list of “the world’s most neglected displacement crises.” (Nine of the top 10 on the list, published by the Norwegian Refugee Council, are in Africa; five are Muslim-majority nations.) Funding, media coverage, and political action to help ease the crisis is well below needed levels to cope with the displacement of some 2 million people, rising food and petrol prices, and the cost of heightened security to battle jihadists, who now control about 40% of the land. However, Burkina Faso is not neglected by fellow Burkinabé who love Jesus! Large churches and various ecclesiastical regions of the Burkina Assemblies of God have sent cross-cultural workers—totaling more than 1,500—throughout the country to offer people what help they can—and the message of eternal hope. ***Please pray that God would fill these workers with His wisdom, peace, and love as they minister to people living in insecurity and bound in fear and darkness.***

Despite their own multiple crises, AG believers have also sent out 50 family units who serve in various nations within Africa and in Europe and North America. Many of these nations are strongly Muslim. ***Pray that the Spirit would give each worker His creative strategy and bring about spiritual breakthroughs in individual lives and communities.***

Each year the 10 Bible schools send out between 500 and 600 trained workers total. The Assemblies of God here counts around 7,000 pastors. Some 300 pastors have lost their churches due to the jihadist activity, but are helped by other churches and often begin new works elsewhere. ***Pray for God's leading and protection for new workers and displaced pastors alike.***

**GUINEA-CONAKRY:** We praise God that the long-awaited container of construction materials arrived safely in Conakry. The materials will be stored until the end of the rainy season, when the work can continue. A total of 12 churches will receive new buildings. A team leader says, "Thank you to everyone who prayed us through phase 1." Please continue to pray that God would encourage the receiving churches and that "that the Holy Spirit would move so mightily that when they have a church building, it will already be too small!"

**MALI:** A church leader in this Muslim-majority nation shares these prayer requests:

- Pray for a man who had been attending this pastor's church, but who has now returned to the mosque. Pray that the Holy Spirit would constantly remind him of the Truth and draw him back to Jesus.
- Pray for God's protection over His people in the central region, where jihadists are active. A pastor was recently kidnapped and held for two weeks before finally being released this past Friday. Pray that the Lord would fill believers with courage, peace, and joy, that they might be lights to those living in fear.
- A church in this central region held evangelistic services for three days last week, in front of the church building. The pastor reports that people are now coming and seeking prayer. Pray that these would be led by the Spirit to seek not just answers of healing and solutions in this life, but the Answer that gives eternal life.

### *Prayer Resources*

The 2024 World Watch List, ranking the 50 nations where believers suffer most: <http://tinyurl.com/2024wwl>

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 statistics and information on people groups in every nation: <https://joshuaproject.net/>; for Unreached Peoples prayer cards to download and print: <https://joshuaproject.net/pray/cards>

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>