

Jumaa Prayer

for the Muslims of Africa and beyond

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Intercede for the Muslim World!

Who is like you, LORD God Almighty? You, LORD, are mighty, and your faithfulness surrounds you (Ps 89:8).

Today's Prayer Requests: *From Workers*

DR CONGO : A worker asks for continued prayer for Eastern DRC. Since January 2025, the M23 rebel group has taken control of towns and territory, notably in the provinces of North Kivu and South Kivu. As they work to establish a parallel government in these areas, they steal, kidnap, kill, and more. Let's pray:

- "Pray that peace agreements would be signed and that effective and lasting peace would be established in Eastern DRC."
- Pray for protection and provision for the inhabitants. "Too many families bereaved, displaced, raped, and killed...". An estimated 7 million people have been displaced in this conflict.
- As government forces turn their attention to the M23 rebels, Islamist ADF fighters are taking advantage of the instability and have increased attacks, especially in rural areas and against Christians. Pray for divine protection over these people and villages, and for miracles of salvation among the jihadists.
- Pray for God's protection over children, often targeted by the M23 and the ADF alike to fight or otherwise serve them. According to one report, "Among the nearly 10,000 reported cases of rape and sexual violence [in Eastern DRC] in the first two months of 2025, 35-45 percent involved children."

SENSITIVE COUNTRY : Pray for the mental and spiritual restoration of brother in a Middle Eastern nation. Upon learning of his conversion, his family barricaded him in an empty tomb. When he was released, they found he had lost his sanity. At his family's insistence, he denied Jesus, then fell into a coma. But from time to time he speaks, asking Jesus to speak to him and to restore him. Let's pray for this man's complete healing and for the salvation of his family.

Pray for the Dioula

The Dioula (JOO-la) people have been influential traders in West Africa for centuries, and today most live in western Burkina Faso, across northern Cote d'Ivoire, and in southern Mali. Their ancestors embraced Islam in the 13th century as they traded with North Africans. Most Dioula are Muslims, though many practice animistic traditions as well. Praise God, some have found Jesus! A worker in Burkina Faso shares the following challenges and prayer requests for the 2.4 million Dioula in this nation:

- "They are tight-knit families, so breaking away to accept the Lord isn't easy. However, when they step outside the family, they convert." Pray that the Holy Spirit would give Dioula believers open doors and wisdom to share their faith, and that entire families would come to Jesus.
- Pray for more workers for these difficult communities. "We don't always have workers to go to them. Those who do must have the power of the Holy Spirit to overthrow strongholds. They need support of every kind."
- Pray for the team translating the Discovery Series into Dioula. This 3-year Bible training curriculum will better equip Pentecostal workers to disciple believers among the 12 million Dioula speakers.

Prayer Resources

The 2025 World Watch List, ranking the 50 nations where believers suffer most: <https://tinyurl.com/2025wwl>

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/KENYA>

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>