

Jumaa Prayer

for the Muslims of Africa and beyond

September 12, 2025

Intercede for the Muslim World!

The heavens proclaim his righteousness, and all peoples see his glory (Ps 97:6).

Today's Prayer Requests: *From Workers*

NIGERIA: Pray for Pastor X—and for many others like him throughout Nigeria—who continues to minister in the shadow of terrorism. His latest report states, “Muslim jihadists completely wiped out eight families of our church and burnt down their homes. Each Sunday, those who can bring cups of foodstuff to share with everyone—for at least one meal a day.” ***Pray that the Lord would sustain and encourage this pastor, his family, and the church members, and use them to bring His hope to their community.***

Nigeria's homegrown jihadist group, Boko Haram, emerged in 2009. In 2016, it split into two rival factions: Islamic State West Africa Province, funded by the Islamic State, and *Jama'atu Ahlis Sunna Lidda'awat wal-Jihad* (JAS), which funds itself through pillaging and kidnapping. Both groups seek to impose their version of *sharia* (Islamic law) throughout Nigeria. Please pray

- that the Holy Spirit would move supernaturally in the hearts of jihadists, leading them to salvation in Jesus;
- that the Lord would equip and use workers like Pastor X, his church, and thousands of other churches to help bring spiritual and emotional healing to the millions of people who have been displaced, victimized, and bereaved by attacks;
- that God would protect children; tens of thousands have been recruited or enslaved and trained to attack and kill, leaving indelible scars on their minds and souls.

In the News: Afghanistan

Around midnight on August 31, a 6.0 earthquake rocked mountain villages in eastern Afghanistan, followed by strong aftershocks. This natural disaster has proven even more tragic for the women in this nation under Taliban rule, where a strictly enforced law forbids a man from touching any women who is not a relative. While male villagers and volunteer aid workers and medical personnel dug through rubble to free and treat men and children (mainly boys), women were left trapped and injured. Those who were mobile feared going out alone to seek help. The few female doctors and nurses are banned by the law from participating in rescue operations and treatment. The earthquake and tremors killed at least 2,200 people dead and left more than 3,600 injured and some 6,700 homes destroyed. ***Pray for these victims and for the aid efforts. Pray especially that God in His mercy would work miracles of healing and provision for these disregarded women, and that they would meet Jesus and recognize their value in Him.***

Afghanistan's women are being made increasingly “invisible” as the Taliban restricts their freedom of movement, education, dress, and speech. The aftermath of the earthquake poignantly illustrates the tragic consequences of these restrictions. In December 2024, all medical training for women was banned, leaving future generations with no midwives and female nurses and doctors to treat women. Some female medical professionals have moved their practices to other nations. Only Jesus can change the hearts of the authorities who can change this system! ***Pray that the Holy Spirit would break through the darkness that blinds them to the truth that all people—men and women—are created in the image of the loving Father God.***

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://www.facebook.com/SayHelloInfo>

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 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://www.releaseinternational.org/>, <https://www.persecution.org/>, and <https://www.persecution.com/>

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>