

Jumaa Prayer

for the Muslims of Africa and beyond

October 31, 2025

Intercede for the Muslim World!

Be strong and take heart, all you who hope in the LORD (Ps 31:24).

Today's Prayer Requests: *From Workers*

MALI: Please continue to intercede for this nation in the Sahel, where jihadist activity is having a growing impact on the economy, daily life, and freedom of worship. Pray that the Lord would intervene in the following situations:

- This past week a Pentecostal pastor and village chief were summoned to meet with jihadists. The militants demanded that every member 18 years old and older pay 25,000 cfa (about \$45) within two weeks, or the church will be closed. This practice has become increasingly common, and several Catholic and evangelical churches in the area have already closed and will be allowed to reopen only when payments are made.
- Mali's government has closed all schools and universities for the next two weeks as severe fuel shortages hamper normal commutes for teachers and students. Jihadists continue to block the main routes into Mali from Côte d'Ivoire and Senegal, preventing the passage of fuel tankers and other goods into this landlocked country. Since the blockade began on September 9, militants have destroyed at least 250 tankers and buses.
- Classes at the Bible Institute are continuing, but the lack of fuel delayed the teacher's arrival this week, and the teacher scheduled for next week is already concerned about being able to make the trip to the campus.

NIGER: Last Tuesday an American pilot working with a missions agency was kidnapped from his home in a "highly secure" neighborhood in the capital city. While no group has claimed responsibility, a diplomatic source noted he was likely being taken to Mali, where kidnap victims are often sold to Islamic State members. Pray for this worker's safety and release, and for his family. Pray that Jesus would reveal himself to those involved and glorify His name.

In the News: Sudan

Recently we prayed for a key city in the Darfur region in western Sudan. This city has been besieged by the paramilitary group Rapid Support Forces for the past 18 months. This week it fell to the RSF, the Sudanese Armed Forces have fled, and the RSF now controls the entire Darfur region—some 20% of Sudan's land. Pray for Darfur.

- Pray for the people in this city, many of whom are newly bereaved and displaced. On October 26 and 27, the RSF massacred more than 2,000 civilians, targeting those belonging to non-Arab ethnic groups.
- A church leader notes, "Sudan is considered as a land of one religion [Islam] and one race [Sudanese Arab]." Most of Darfur's Christians—just 2–5% of the population—are minorities on both counts and suffer great persecution. Pray for encouragement and provision for believers, and for Spirit-led opportunities to share their faith and means with others.
- The pastor of the last remaining church, for whom we prayed before, was forced to flee in a deadly attack at his church on September 16. He and 40 others were eventually airlifted to safety. Pray for this pastor and these believers and their families.

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>