



### Intercede for the Muslim World!

*Let them give thanks to the Lord for his unfailing love and his wonderful deeds for mankind, for he satisfies the thirsty and fills the hungry with good things (Ps 107:8-9, NIV).*

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

**CENTRAL AFRICAN REPUBLIC:** Thank you for praying for the Acts 1:8 Conference on the Holy Spirit held in Bangui this past week. Some 75 Assemblies of God pastors and deacons attended, some traveling for days from the interior. The AG has struggled and remained small, due to civil and religious unrest and to lack of theological Pentecostal training. After praying and working together, the delegates committed to establish a Bible school, train 50 church planters, and open 50 churches by 2020. Pray they may have divine wisdom and power as they move forward.

**MALI:** Two workers share praise reports and prayer requests from this West African nation:

- Last November we prayed for a worker who is establishing a center for *garibu* boys, youngsters under the care and service of marabouts (Muslim teachers). **Praise God** for answered prayer as she has found a building that will serve as a center where the boys can eat, wash, learn a trade, and find God's love. Continue to pray that the Lord would call four or five more Malians to serve with this ministry, and for favor from the marabouts.
- Last December, a gunman killed three men at a Christian radio station in the north. According to an alumnus who serves as director for IBRA Radio's West Africa operations, since the attack they continued to support the station but for security reasons did not send them any more broadcasts. He recently received a call from the station asking for more programs, insisting they could not give up reaching the Tamasheq-speaking population. **Thank God** for this continued witness and for these dedicated workers. Pray that these broadcast would reach into many homes and hearts. Pray also for this alumnus as he travels to Mali to train pastors to use a series of program that invite listeners to discover and discuss the gospel message.

**NIGER:** A run-off presidential election will be held this Sunday, as no candidate won a majority in the first round. Pray for continued calm during this time. Intercede for the churches and pastors as they reach out to Muslim neighbors, many of whom are open to their message. An alumnus reports, "I see growth (in the churches) everywhere. The Christians are no longer afraid. The church is respected. Muslims, convicted by their conscience, are questioning their religion." Pray also for the continued renovation of church buildings damaged in attacks in 2015.

#### *For Muslim Women\**

Pakistan's Punjab province recently passed the Women's Protection Act, granting legal recourse for women suffering various abuses. Powerful Islamic groups in the country consider this Act contradictory to Koranic teaching and have called on the government to retract it. Please pray for the women of Pakistan, that, in a society that so devalues them, they may know their true value in the eyes of their loving Father and find joy and salvation in Him.

#### *Prayer Resources*

\*Muslim women need your prayers! You can join a prayer network and receive regular requests at <http://sayhelloinfo.com/>.

For the 2016 World Watch List of countries where Christians are most persecuted, see <http://bit.ly/1zWfwMb>.

Global Initiative is a ministry of Assemblies of God World Missions, USA. Visit <http://globalinitiativeinfo.com/> for information about praying for Muslims and weekly requests.

For suggestions on starting a prayer group, see <http://waastjumaa.blogspot.com/2014/09/waast-jumaa-prayer-groups.html>.

For news updates concerning persecuted Christians, visit <http://morningstarnews.org/>, <http://worldwatchmonitor.org/>, and <http://www.releaseinternational.org/>.

For prayer requests, visit <http://www.opendoorsusa.org/pray/> and <http://www.persecution.com/public/pray.aspx>.

To help you answer Muslims' questions about God's Word, see <http://www.unchangingword.com/> and <http://answeringislam.org/>.