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Jumaa Prayer

for the Muslims of Africa & beyond

Intercede with Us for the Muslim World!

"For our struggle is not against flesh and blood, but against . . . the powers of this dark world and against the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly realms" (Eph. 6:12). As we pray this week, let us ask God to give us His perspective concerning those who make war against Jesus and His followers. He loves them and commands us to love them as well. Our fight is against the spirits who seek to destroy all people.

Today's Prayer Requests

For Nations and Peoples

MALI: The political situation remains confusing, and a human rights watch group has noted crimes against woman and persecution of Christians. An estimated 200,000 people are now displaced in and outside of Mali. A U.S. Assemblies of God missionary couple who planned to enter Mali this week have been rerouted. Churches are coming together to provide food and shelter for refugees. Please pray for those

who are suffering and for the witness of believers.

NIGERIA: Attacks against churches continue in Nigeria. On April 29, gunmen killed at least 16 attending a Sunday-morning service in a lecture hall at Bayero University in Kano. Five people were killed at a Church of Christ in Nigeria, in Maiduguri in the northeast. Boko Haram has also claimed responsibility for two attacks on newspapers in Abuja and Kaduna, claiming they misrepresent Islam. Please pray for wisdom and strength for believers and pastors, and that those perpetuating the attacks would realize God's love for them.

THAILAND: Muslims make up 4.5% of the population of Thailand and are concentrated mainly in the south. The Thai churches are currently doing little to reach them. Pray that more Thai believers will respond to God's call to go, and that by His Spirit Christians will overcome their fear of sharing with them.

THE AFAR: The Afar people are descended from Arabs and live in the Horn of Africa, in Djibouti, Ethiopia, and Eritrea. Most are Sufi Muslims and seek Allah through the supernatural and mystical. Very few Christians work among them. Pray for an Ethiopian Afar believer who is ministering to them. Pray for more workers, especially to reach out to the women. A 10-minute radio broadcast in Afar is touching many; pray that more will hear and respond.

*From Global Initiative**

Please pray for the people of Libya, where, despite calls for freedom, *sharia* may be adopted as principal law.

Pray concerning religious freedom in Tunisia. Despite appearances of reform, Islamists have gained control in recent elections.

For Muslim Women

Pray for women who have learned of Jesus and want to accept His as their Savior, but who fear that they will lose their husband, children, and even their lives if they do so. Pray that they will find support within the family of God, for courage to follow the Truth, and for protection.

Prayer Resources

*Global Initiative is a ministry of Assemblies of God World Missions, USA. Weekly requests from Global Initiative's Jumaa Prayer Fellowship can be found at <http://jumaapray.com/>. Visit <http://globalinitiativeinfo.com/> for information about praying for Muslims. To download the bi-monthly *Intercede* magazine, go to <http://www.globalinitiativeinfo.com/publications/intercede-magazine-archive.html>.

Praying for Muslims: A Guide for Effective Intercession offers good information concerning Islam and a different prayer subject each Friday. To read each week's request, go to <http://sharifbible.com/>. The page appears in Arabic, but scroll down to "Weekly Prayers" and click on the date you want on the chart. For the request for 4 May, click [here](#).

Muslim women need your prayers! You can join a prayer network and receive regular requests at sayhelloinfo.com