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# for the Muslims of Africa & beyond



# Intercede with Us for the Muslim World!

"The fruit of the Spirit is . . . patience . . . (Ga 5:22)." Patience (sabr) for a Muslim involves accepting all that Allah has decreed for him, which is unchangeable. In being patient through tests, a Muslim shows his faith in Allah. Complaining may bring on Allah's wrath. As Christians, we know that this godly characteristic is perfected only as we walk in the Holy Spirit. Pray this week that the Lord will help us to show His patience and love, so that Muslims may sense the Spirit in our lives.

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

NIGERIA: An alumnus writes, "The bombing of churches and killing of Christians in Nigeria is now at an alarming rate. Let us pray against Boko Haram and the accomplices. Let's pray for the Christians also that, as watchmen, they will not do what God will not approve in times like this." Continue to pray for the wisdom and witness of Christians.

BURKINA FASO: An alumnus reports that Fulani Muslims are tuning in to a Christian radio program in his city. Four have accepted the Lord and now attend his local church. Many others are listening; please pray that God's Word will touch more hearts through this program.

NORTHERN GHANA: Two years ago a team from an AG church in Tamale visited a Muslim village and were invited to preach. They were able to establish a small church, which a deacon now oversees. The 15 or so believers are quite isolated; please pray that they will stay true and that the Lord will provide a permanent pastor for them.

#### In the News

EGYPT: Mohammed Mursi, leader of Egypt's Muslim Brotherhood, was declared the winner of Egypt's presidential election this past Sunday. Mursi has stepped down from his position with the MB and claims he will form an inclusive government, considering the large Christian minority. Please pray for Egypt's people during these uncertain times, for believers, and for Muslim seekers.

MALI: Public schools have reopened in Timbuktu and other northern towns, with many changes as strict Islamic law is applied to the classroom. Enrollment has dropped as parents and students refuse the new conditions. See http://allafrica.com/stories/201206220890.html. Please pray for these children and families. Pray that those who have been touched by the gospel will keep its truths in their hearts.

#### From Global Initiative\*

Pray for Muslim-background believers in Chechnya (a Russian republic). Muslim Chechens cannot change their religion publicly. Further information: After years as part of the atheistic Soviet Union, Chechnya is now undergoing an Islamic revival, most recently approving honor killings and seeking to institute sharia law. Believers are few.

Pray for expatriate workers in the United Arab Emirates to gain opportunities to witness about Jesus. A large percentage of the UAE's population is made up of foreign workers. Further information: Foreign workers account for more than 80% of the population and come mainly from Southern Asia. Some are believers and are free to follow their faith, but it is illegal for a Muslim to convert. Pray for the influence of these believers on their coworkers.

### For Muslim Women\*\*

Pray that Muslim women and girls in England will meet their Savior through friends and acquaintances who would shine the light of Jesus in their midst.

#### **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://jumaaprayer.com/. Visit http://globalinitiativeinfo.com/ for information about praying for Muslims. Go to http://globalinitiativeinfo.com/publications/intercede-magazine-archive.html for the Intercede magazine.

Praying for Muslims: A Guide for Effective Intercession offers many insights concerning Islam and a different prayer subject each Friday. For the request for 22 June, click here.

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

http://www.30-days.net/ provides information and prayer requests concerning Muslims around the world.

Jumaa Prayer Alerts (breaking news and urgent prayer requests) are posted on the WAAST Facebook page as they arise: http://www.facebook.com/pages/West-Africa-Advanced-School-of-Theology/177906542299157?bookmark\_t=page.