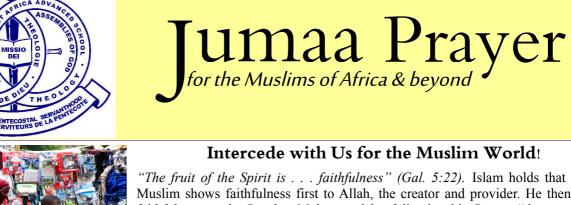


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# Intercede with Us for the Muslim World!

"The fruit of the Spirit is . . . faithfulness" (Gal. 5:22). Islam holds that a good Muslim shows faithfulness first to Allah, the creator and provider. He then shows faithfulness to the Prophet Mohammed by following his Sunna, "the way of the Prophet," so that he may join him in Paradise. This involves reading the Koran, praying, attending mosque, giving alms, keeping the fast, and propagating Islam. A good Muslim is faithful to others as well, keeping promises and paying debts. As Christians led by the Holy Spirit, we also are faithful to our God and Creator and to others-and to the One who is truly "the Way" and who gives eternal life. As Muslims seek to show their faithfulness during this month of Ramadan, pray that Jesus will reveal himself to them as the Way, the Truth, and the Life.

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

MALI: An alumnus from Mali writes, "The women of the Assemblies of God of Mali are joining together on 4 August to pray for the situation in Mali. Please pray for the success of this day of prayer." Let us join our prayers to theirs, that the Lord will intervene in the situation in the north, where a more radical Islam is gaining ground, and for the strength and witness of the Body of Christ.

NIGER: Last week we prayed for the children's camp in Niger. A missionary sends this praise report: "The camp went really well. We had 197 children + workers, so over 230 persons. God blessed the camp and many children gave their hearts to Christ. We had no problems, very little sickness. We felt it was one of the best years." They add: "Please continue to pray for the churches in Eastern Niger. We have heard there are over 100 Boko Haram members living here. Our people are very worried about the situation with Mali and we are praying for peace in Niger."

### In the News

**FRANCE:** A new mega-mosque has opened in a northern suburb of Paris. With Muslims numbering perhaps 10% of the nation's population, mosques are common. But this one is more symbolic of the islamization of France. Its minaret dwarfs church steeples. At its dedication, the French Interior Minister noted, "A mosque, when it is erected in the city, says a simple thing: Islam has its place in France." The new president owes his position largely to the Muslim vote and has pledged to support 150 new mosques. Please pray that the Christians of France will see the urgency of reaching their Muslim neighbors and that the Lord will prepare the hearts of seekers.

## From Global Initiative\*

Pray for Christian believers in Khazakstan to be filled with wisdom and the vision to share Jesus Christ with friends. About 70% of Khazakstan's people are Sunni Muslims. When the nation was part of the USSR, most did not practice, and many are now relearning the Islamic faith. Christians can reach out to those who are questioning and seeking truth. For more information, see http://www.30-days.net/muslims/muslims-in/asia-caucasus/kazakhstan-insights/.

### For Muslim Women\*\*

Pray for Muslim women everywhere as they participate in the Ramadan fast. Pray that during these 28 days they will find Jesus as they seek to please Allah with their fasts and Koranic readings.

### **Praver Resources**

Pray during this month of Ramadan for daily requests provided at http://www.30-days.net/muslims/. This site, http://www.30days.net/, provides information and prayer requests concerning Muslims around the world.

\*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 27 July, click here.

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

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.