



West Africa Advanced School of Theology 17 August 2012

# Jumaa Prayer

*for the Muslims of Africa & beyond*



## Intercede with Us for the Muslim World!

This Sunday is the beginning of the 3-day holiday Id al-Fitr, the feast of fast-breaking, marking the end of Ramadan. Faithful Muslims have read through the Koran, prayed, given alms, and thought much about pleasing Allah. They purchase the best sheep they can afford and prepare a feast to celebrate with family and friends. But is this devotion enough to assure a place in Paradise? They cannot know. Let's pray for opportunities to share with them the Truth and assurance that Jesus gives—a reason to celebrate!

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

**SENEGAL:** A student was recently interviewed by a Muslim journalist about his church and the Assemblies of God. The published article presented the church negatively, as an occult sect. Pray that the Lord will use this for good; already one person has come out of curiosity, seeking prayer.

**TOGO:** An alumnus writes, "I am facing the problem of buying land on which to plant a church. Pray with us that God will provide the funds. This is a heavily Islamic area. By God's grace, the chief has accepted Jesus."

**NIGER:** Pray that the Lord will touch the heart of Niger's President, who does not want Christianity preached in this land. Pray also that the problems in northern Mali will not enter Niger.

**MALI:** Pray for the thousands of internally displaced people who have settled in the south. Neither the churches nor the government have the means to support so many. Pray for opportunities for believers to reach these refugees and that the Lord will provide. Pray also for the government leaders and for the stability of the government. *Last Monday the prime minister was asked to form a unity government, after 50,000 people gathered for a rally to call for peace. Pray that the Lord's hand will be on this process.*

**GHANA:** Pray for a convert from Islam. When he visited his hometown, he almost returned to Islam under pressure from his family. At that critical time, his pastor (a WAAST student) called him, and he determined to continue with Jesus. Pray that he will be strengthened and grow in his faith.

### *From Global Initiative\**

Pray for the Muslims of Kuwait to have witness of Jesus Christ. Government legislation has been drawn up banning construction of churches and non-Islamic places of worship. *This legislation is still pending, but construction of new churches is nearly impossible. Most meet in homes. There are fewer than 200 Kuwaiti Christians; nearly all of the 16,000 members of the evangelical churches are expatriates. In May the Ministry of Islamic Affairs asked for information on all churches and property. Pray that believers will share their faith in the power of the Spirit while it is yet day.*

### *For Muslim Women\*\**

Please pray for Muslim women who are barren and therefore rejected. During this Ramadan fasting month they will be praying earnestly for special answers to their deepest needs. Pray that the living God who hears and answers prayer will comfort them, heal them, and draw them to Himself.

### Prayer Resources

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

How should we pray for those imprisoned for their faith? Read <http://www.elam.com/articles/How-to-pray-for-those-in-prison/>.

\*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. 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 17 August, click [here](#).

\*\*Muslim women need your prayers! You can join a prayer network and receive regular requests at <http://sayhellainfo.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](http://www.facebook.com/pages/West-Africa-Advanced-School-of-Theology/177906542299157?bookmark_t=page).