

Jumaa Prayer

for the Muslims of Africa and beyond



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Intercede for the Muslim World!

Be still, and know that I am God; I will be exalted among the nations, I will be exalted in the earth (Ps 46:10).

Today's Prayer Requests: *From Workers*

COTE D'IVOIRE: Please continue to pray for an initiative to reach the large Lebanese population in the main city in this West African nation. Tens of thousands of Lebanese, most of them Muslims, live in this country and are highly influential; Lebanese businesses claim to control about 40% of the nation's wealth. But more than wealth, they need Jesus! Leaders ask for "fresh wisdom in our approach and for God to call team members to respond to this need" to reach this tightly knit community. Please pray

- that the Holy Spirit would direct the meetings taking place this coming week as church leaders discuss strategies to begin and develop this work;
- for those who have committed to or are considering joining this team, that the Lord would confirm their decisions and guide them in their preparations, and add to their number;
- that the Lord would lead the team to key Lebanese believers or "people of peace" who can help them gain access to this closed community, establish relationships, acquire a meeting place, etc.

GUINEA: Thank you for praying with us for the efforts of teams to erect steel tabernacles for churches around this nation. There were victories, as footings were poured for 11 buildings in places that had no worship site of their own. Guinean pastors and believers are learning the process so they can do the work in the future. Pastors were encouraged as team members sat with them, heard their stories of the spiritual battles in this Muslim- and animist-dominated land, and shared God's Word with their congregations. Though rains hampered some of the work, there were no accidents or sickness. Praise God!

There were also disappointments. The container with the tabernacles did not arrive, and is in fact still en route, with some complications. Please pray that these issues will be worked out and the materials delivered safely to Conakry. Teams will return after the rainy season to erect the buildings and to continue training the Guinean team in this process. A team leader asks us to pray

- that the Lord would use this season of waiting to strengthen the churches and to empower believers to stand firm in the midst of spiritual battle and reap a great harvest;
- "for spiritual strongholds to be broken";
- that "pastors would be encouraged by the partnership with [this] mission that shares their vision of seeing a healthy, vibrant Guinean church within walking distance of everyone in Guinea."

Guinea has a population of some 13 million people, about 90% of whom follow Islam, often mixed with traditional animism. Despite great opposition in the communities, local pastors in the Assemblies of God of Guinea are asked to plant a new church each year. Some start multiple works every year. Please pray for God's blessing on these workers, for His miraculous provision of land and resources, and for open doors into neighborhoods, towns, and villages.

Prayer Resources

The 2024 World Watch List, ranking the 50 nations where believers suffer most: <http://tinyurl.com/2024wwl>

Global Initiative and its Jumaa Prayer Fellowship (a ministry of Assemblies of God World Missions, USA), information and resources concerning ministry to and prayer for Muslims : <https://reachingmuslimpeoples.com/>

Say Hello, prayer requests and resources on ministry to Muslim women: <https://sayhelloinfo.com/>

For statistics and information on people groups in every nation: <https://joshuaproject.net/>; for Unreached Peoples prayer cards to download and print: <https://joshuaproject.net/pray/cards>

For a weekly prayer topic about an aspect of Islam: <https://prayingformuslims.com/>

For suggestions on starting a prayer group: <https://www.waast.org/pray-with-us/pray-for-the-unreached/>

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

For prayer requests from around the world: <https://www.icommittoprayer.com/>

To help you answer Muslims' questions about God's Word: <http://muslimsask.com/>, <http://answeringislam.org/>, and <https://jesustomuslims.org>