

## Intercede for the Muslim World!

And this gospel of the kingdom will be preached in the whole world as a testimony to all nations, and then the end will come (Mt 24:14).

## Pray for Effective Outreach through Christian Radio

Since the first radio broadcast in Africa in 1923—well before the advent of computers, the Internet, and WhatsApp—radio has been and remains Africa's most popular and accessible medium for spreading news—and for sharing the Good News. Radios play in the huts of illiterate villagers and in government offices, public markets, prisons, war zones, etc. They can be listened to privately, and Muslim seekers can follow programs discretely. The following testimonies from a West African nation both encourage and guide us as we pray for effective outreach through radio:

A Muslim prisoner's cellmate often listened to a local Christian radio station. One day, this Muslim heard a message that "related to my life as if the pastor knew me and knew my life." When the pastor invited listeners to accept Jesus, "whether you are in the hospital, in your car, or in prison," he knelt and prayed with the pastor. Immediately upon his release, he visited the station and met with the pastor to share about his conversion. "The radio ... continues to be a daily compass to guide me and my whole family to the Celestial City," he testifies. "Since I came to know the Lord through this radio my life has completely changed, and I have become an instrument to reach other Muslims." He often gathers Muslim seekers to listen to programs that will help them come to know the Savior. *Pray that Muslims would "happen" to hear messages that speak directly to them and that respond to their questions and needs.* 

A soldier serving in a border zone to provide security against jihadists reports that he and others listen daily to the morning devotional on the radio before going to their positions. "I bless the Lord ... for the preaching and prayers, which for some time have enabled us to thwart the enemy's attacks .... [This] radio has transformed many of our lives, both morally and spiritually. Every Sunday morning we gather, soldiers of all ranks, to listen to the live Sunday service." Pray that the Spirit would use these messages (1) to draw to Jesus those who have not yet given their lives to Him; (2) to strengthen these men in their faith, character, and witness; (3) to provide encouragement and divine wisdom for the soldiers and commanders in this unstable zone.

A convert from a particularly resistant Muslim ethnic group has for many years broadcast the Good News to his people in their language on a local station. His team has grown to four qualified presenters, all devoted believers from this group. Local listeners often call in to ask questions, request information, or dispute. Serious seekers are referred to local pastors prepared to guide and disciple them. Through social media, these programs also reach members of this ethnic group living in other parts of Africa and in Europe. Please pray (1) for wisdom and anointing on each presenter as he or she teaches and responds to questions; (2) for those involved in following up seekers; (3) that groups of seekers and whole families would listen and learn together; (4) for listeners who respond angrily to the message they hear, that the Spirit would continue His work in their hearts to lead them to the Truth and salvation.

## **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: <a href="https://reachingmuslimpeoples.com/">https://reachingmuslimpeoples.com/</a>

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

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

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

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

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

For prayer requests from around the world: <a href="https://www.icommittopray.com/">https://www.icommittopray.com/</a>

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