

Jumaa Prayer

for the Muslims of Africa and beyond



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Intercede for the Muslim World!

But to all who received him, who believed in his name, he gave power to become children of God (Jn 1:12, RSV).

Today's Prayer Requests: *From Workers*

TOGO: In August we prayed for God's blessing on an evangelistic outreach in several Muslim-majority villages. The team of some 30 pastors, evangelists, and layworkers visited three villages. In each they talked with people, met with seekers for deliverance and salvation, and showed films in open-air evening services. ***Praise God for these reports:***

- The first village was in a serious drought, and as team members went door to door, people asked them to pray for rain. The film planned for that evening's service could not be shown—due to the heavy rain! Several people accepted Jesus and Muslim fetishes were burned. The local Assemblies of God church that had closed some three years before was used for meetings and has now reopened!
- The visit to the second village served not only to lead several people to salvation, but also to strengthen the handful of believers who have been without a pastor and discouraged by persecution.
- In the third village, the team held a seminar for the local believers on the biblical concept of persecution. Another seminar taught area pastors, deacons, and laymen how to provide legal assistance for persecuted Christians, resulting in a new committee dedicated to advocating with the local authorities on their behalf.

Much follow-up work needs to be done. ***Please pray for the following needs:***

- Three existing churches in the area are in great need of a pastor, including the one just reopened. None of them are able to support a pastor at this point. A local pastor is now temporarily serving two of these churches as well as his own; pray that the Lord would send willing, permanent workers to these places.
- Pray that those who have accepted Jesus would find fellowship and encouragement with other believers.
- Pray that those who face persecution would sense the Holy Spirit with them and react in wisdom and love. Pray that God would protect them and meet their needs.

WEST AFRICA: The Soninke: Once rulers of the mighty Ghana Empire (6th-12th c.), the Soninke are now spread throughout Mali, Senegal, Mauritania, and several other nations. They embraced Islam in the 11th century, and today only a few hundred of the some three million Soninke are known followers of Jesus. Workers ask us to pray

- for the few believers, "the isolated mustard seed of faith living for Jesus in the midst of their family and friends following the majority religion." May the Lord use their consecrated lives to speak to others.
- that many Soninke would access Scriptures and teachings available online in their language, and that the Word would captivate and transform them.
- that the Lord would call Soninke workers and open the door for them to receive quality training for full-time service, especially in areas closed to foreigners.

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/> <http://worldwatchmonitor.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>