

Jumaa Prayer

for the Muslims of Africa and beyond



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Intercede for the Muslim World!

... [T]he devil prowls around like a roaring lion looking for someone to devour. Resist him, standing firm in the faith, because you know that the family of believers throughout the world is undergoing the same kind of sufferings (1Pe 5:8-9).

Today's Prayer Requests: *From Workers*

CHAD: Praise report: Last month we received an urgent request to pray for the release of a young boy who was kidnapped as he worked as a cowherd for a pastor. A worker reports that the boy has been freed. "Many thanks to all who interceded." **Please continue to pray "that God would act to stop this phenomenon" of kidnapping.**

THE GAMBIA: We recently prayed for a two-day outreach in a village in this Muslim-majority nation. The resident team of workers provided a free eye clinic, ministered the Word through dramas and testimonies, and unveiled a new playground for the children. One worker notes that there was initially some opposition, but when the playground was presented, the village chief affirmed that this was the best day of his career! Another worker writes, "Pray that people would ask questions and continue talking about everything they saw. This would give us great opportunity to better explain the gospel and our testimonies." **Pray that any walls of resistance would be replaced with open doors to clearly share the Truth with seekers.**

Pray for the Persecuted Church

Throughout this month we are praying for our brothers and sisters who face opposition, abuse, even death for their faith in Jesus Christ. May the Lord use them mightily to draw others into His kingdom.

UYGHER BELIEVERS IN CHINA: Some 12 million Uygher people live in Xinjiang, a territory in northwest China. Nearly all Uyghers follow Islam, but in atheistic China they face severe repression intended to eradicate any belief in a god other than the State itself. The few Christ-followers, perhaps 1,200 people, risk rejection from their families as well as from government authorities. Let's pray for these isolated brothers and sisters.

- Pray for God's encouragement and wisdom for believers as they live out their faith, and for opportunities for them to discreetly share with family and friends.
- The Bible, *Jesus* film, and other helpful materials are available online in the Uygher language, but accessing them within China is very risky. Social media is highly regulated to conform with Communist philosophy. Pray that believers would find creative ways to fellowship, study the Word, and grow in faith.
- In an attempt to dilute the culture and religion of the minority Uyghers, many Han Chinese have been sent to live in Xinjiang, and Uyghers have been forced to move to other parts of China. Pray that the Lord would use this shift to bring Muslim Uyghers into contact with believers who can share the truth with them.
- By law, children under 18 cannot be exposed to any belief system but atheism. Pray for wisdom for parents, and that the Spirit would work in the hearts of these young people to bring them to Jesus.

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>