

# Jumaa Prayer

for the Muslims of Africa and beyond



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## Intercede for the Muslim World!

*“I am the light of the world. Whoever follows me will never walk in darkness, but will have the light of life.” (Jn 8:12).*

### Today’s Prayer Requests: *From Workers*

**CYPRUS:** Pray that many Muslims would find Jesus through outreaches in Cyprus, an island in the Mediterranean Sea, just south of Turkey. One worker says: “Cyprus is one of the most fruitful places to evangelize Muslims. They come here from all over!” Most come from Syria and other Middle Eastern nations, India, Pakistan, and Bangladesh; others come from sub-Saharan Africa. All are seeking asylum, economic opportunities, and a new life. Pray they find new life in Jesus!

**SUB-SAHARAN AFRICA:** In the Sahel region and in other parts of sub-Saharan Africa, Islamic State, al-Qaida, and dozens of home-grown terrorist groups are working to claim territory and souls for Islam, often using violence against “infidels” (non-Muslims). Followers of Jesus are prime targets. Researchers for NGO Open Doors’ 2025 World Watch List note, “Multiple countries in Sub-Saharan Africa have seen a rise in violence against Christians. Currently, 8 of the top 10 deadliest places for Christians are in Sub-Saharan Africa—and all of them (except Nigeria) have more faith-based killings than they did during the 2024 World Watch List reporting period.” Let’s pray:

- Pray for God’s divine protection over His people who live and minister in areas where jihadists are active.
- Pray for believers who are confronted by Muslim militants who, following directives drawn from the Koran, demand that they convert to Islam, or pay them the *djizya* (a tax) and submit to imposed regulations—or face death. Pray that the Lord would fill them with boldness and peace and direct their response to these threats.
- Pray that the Holy Spirit would use the actions and testimonies of His people to grip the hearts of jihadists, and that these militants would see Jesus in dreams and visions.

### *Pray for Muslims during Ramadan*

Beginning February 28, Muslims around the world will observe Ramadan, their month of fasting. For 30 days, from dawn to dark, able Muslims will abstain from all food and drink, even water. It is a month to reflect on Allah, seek forgiveness, and show compassion to those in need. Many read through the Koran and give extra alms, believing that their efforts will bring extra blessing from Allah, inner peace, and greater hope of attaining Paradise. After the sun sets and evening prayers are recited, Muslims gather with family or in the mosque for the *iftar* meal. They satisfy their physical hunger—but the gnawing spiritual hunger remains. Let’s pray

- that as Muslims seek Allah, the Spirit would reveal to them Jesus, who gives inner peace and salvation;
- that many Muslims would experience a growing sense of dissatisfaction in the rituals, have the courage to question their own beliefs, and seek the way of salvation;
- that Christ-followers would have opportunities to share with Muslim neighbors during this month.

You can access a prayer request for Muslim people each day during Ramadan at [facebook.com/pray30days](https://facebook.com/pray30days)

### *Prayer Resources*

The 2025 World Watch List, ranking the 50 nations where believers suffer most: <https://tinyurl.com/2025wwl>

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>