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Praying for the Muslim World

February 2024

Our first Day of Prayer for the Muslim World in 2024 is coming up soon on February 17th!

Register here: https://forms.gle/e8Y4JzcaECaggV9x5

| Week 1 | February 1-7 — PRAISE & THANKSGIVING Sing to the LORD a new song, for he has done marvelous things; his right hand and his holy arm have worked salvation for him. Psalm 98:1 |
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| Thu 1 | Praise GOD for the opportunity to tell the Christmas story with Muslim friends in the ME! For many of the women, it's their first time learning about Christmas. Pray that this would lead to their salvation. The field workers also spent one day out in the desert for the local homeschool group's annual nativity play. "The Christmas story hits differently when you get to watch the wise men climbing down a sand dune." |
| Fri 2 | Praise GOD for His work among Rohingya refugees in Bangladesh. Pray that disciples and churches continue to multiply and that Rohingya leaders will be raised up. There are 67 UPGs in Bangladesh in 19 districts and not many workers among them. Pray for God's provision for the kingdom work in the midst of the financial crisis. |
| Sat 3 | Praise GOD that the short messages on the "Christ, the Prince of Peace" are reaching millions of Arabic-speaking people over the airwaves and online. Praise for the positive responses from Muslims and pray for the one-to-one discipling by staff and volunteers and for the continued protection of those in Media ministry. |
| Sun 4 | Praise GOD for the opportunities to teach the Bible in Indonesian public schools. This has led to conversions of some teenage pupils and the confirmation of the faith of many others. Pray for continued protection of the workers and that those who are wanting to know Jesus will be able to do so without fear of persecution. |
| Mon 5 | Praise GOD that two Christian brothers who were arrested in December have been released after posting bail. Their charges were "deviant educational or propaganda activities contrary to the holy Islamic law by making false claims in religious fields." We are praising God that the sentence was not worse, and that they are now out of prison! Pray for their protection and that they will remain courageous and not waver in their faith. |
| Tue-Wed 6-7 | Praise GOD for answered prayers! Field workers in the Middle East shared that they are having great times of fellowship and growing in His Word together. Continue to pray for the Bibles studies happening all over the Muslim world and that the Lord will raise more disciples who will be sensitive to His leading. |

| Week 2 | February 8-14 – PRAY FOR MUSLIM PEOPLE |
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| | Salvation is found in no one else, for there is no other name under heaven given to men by which we must be saved. Acts 4:12 |
| Thu 8 | Christian leaders are mobilizing disciples for crisis response in Somalia, Ethiopia, and Sudan. Pray for the Lord to open doors for the gospel in war zones and in other areas hit by crisis. May the Lord give wisdom to workers serving among the displaced people due to political and tribal conflicts in their area. |
| Fri 9 | Pray for cross-cultural workers in Somalia, Somaliland, and Sudan, and for the Lord to use them to ignite gospel movements among the UPGs. Pray for the Lord to raise up more intercessors and coordinated prayer efforts focusing on the harvest field and the harvest force in the region. |
| Sat 10 | The earthquakes in Turkey in early 2023 opened doors to the gospel. God is moving among the refugees in Turkey! Pray for the ongoing work among the refugees and that households of peace would be reached throughout those areas. Pray that disciples will be multiplied among the refugee communities. |
| Sun 11 | Pray for the recent outbreak of hostilities between the Taliban and the Pakistani government. Pray that the unrest and violence will disillusion many Muslims and will cause them to turn to the Prince of Peace. Pray for protection of believers amidst increasing persecution. Pray they will keep their eyes on Jesus and continue to walk in wisdom and boldness. Pray that their persecutors will turn to the Lord. |
| Mon 12 | Nigeria, the most populous nation in Africa has 40 Unreached People Groups and 3 of the least evangelized people groups, and all are found in the northern part of the country. Pray for deliverance of Northern Nigeria. Pray for spiritual protection over field workers and church leaders across the region in the face of rampant kidnapping for ransom, violent attacks, and insurgency as they go about the mission of the Kingdom. |
| Tue-Wed 13-14 | The Tindi in Russia dwell in the mountains of Dagestan, almost bordering Georgia and Chechnya. They follow Sunni Islam and take pride in their reputation for producing many well-known Muslim theologians and scientists. Pray for a movement of Christ among the Tindi and a desire for true spiritual understanding. |

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| Week 3 | February 15-21 — PRAY FOR THE CHURCH AND THE LABOURERS In the same way, the gospel is bearing fruit and growing throughout the whole world—just as it has been doing among you since the day you heard it and truly understood God's grace. Colossians 1:6 |
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| Thu 15 | Prayer requests from field workers serving in Egypt: Pray that we would be able to meet more seekers and converts so we can disciple them. Pray for Amir, a young fellow Christian leader diagnosed with cancer and for a close relative also diagnosed with advanced cancer. May the Lord encourage and strengthen the workers! |
| Fri 16 | Christmas was both a joyful and a challenging time for the Iranian church. Many heard the gospel for the first time and became followers of Jesus while dozens of Christians were caught up in a significant wave of arrests in Iran. Lift up the new believers and pray for encouragement, peace and hope for those who were arrested. |
| Sat 17 | The Israel-Hamas war is raising tensions in Iraq, and in Lebanon. A field worker in Iraq says Muslim neighbors increasingly persecute Christians because they associate believers with the West. Oppression is nothing new for Christians in Iraq, but that doesn't make it easy to endure. Ask the Lord to give believers strength. Pray also for Lebanon that it will not be drawn into this war. |
| Sun 18 | On Nov. 1st, Islamic religious teaching was officially integrated into the educational system of schools in Brunei. It involves an hour of instruction each day, including Islamic prayers and study of the Quran for students from 2 nd to 5 th grades. Christians in the country have requested prayer that their children will be effectively discipled at home and in the church, so their faith will continually strengthen and sustain them. |
| Mon 19 | Although blasphemy charges against an illiterate Christian widow in Pakistan was dropped, the school where she worked refused to restore her job. She also started receiving death threats and had to flee with her daughter to another town. Pray that M and her daughter will find safe place to call home and a new job. |
| Tue-Wed 20-21 | Pray for the underground churches across the Muslim world to be filled with the Holy Spirit and wisdom. May they find creative ways to reach out to Muslim people. "The underground church asks that we don't pray for the persecution to end, but instead when the trials come, pray for steadfastness and grace to fast and pray instead, to keep their hearts from worldly responses and deepen their intimacy and trust in God." |

| Week 4 | February 22-29 – PRAY FOR A MUSLIM REGION |
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| | Nine rooms in the house of Islam: Arab World |
| Thu 22 | Pray for protection for Palestinian believers who are experiencing intense persecution due to the war. Pray for disciples in Palestine who are seeking to help and comfort the multitudes of people in need. Pray for open doors so they can be the hands and feet of Jesus. Pray that disciples in this region can speak words of peace and hope into the fear and hatred that is prevalent right now. Pray that people will meet the Prince of Peace. |
| Fri 23 | Across Saudi Arabia, expatriate (expat) believers are becoming bolder in sharing the good news of Christ. Like the early church in Acts, they are sowing the Word broadly. Pray that Christ will be lifted high and his kingdom expanded among Saudis. Lift up these courageous believers in prayer! May the Lord shield them. |
| Sat 24 | "Persons of Peace" are those who receive the gospel message and open doors for others in their community to hear. In Saudi society, persons of peace may be heads of families, men or women of influence, or simply those to whom God has given an ability to connect with others and a passion for making His truth known. Pray that God raise thousands of persons of peace among Saudis who will use their influence to share the gospel! |
| Sun 25 | Saudis see God as a distant creator who rules over them and decides what happens to them based on the good that they do. They must perform the five pillars of Islam for it to be possible that their good works will be enough to get them into heaven. Pray for the believers among the Saudis to have many opportunities to share the creation story and how we can have a relationship with God. May God open ears and hearts! |
| Mon-Tue 26-27 | Najdi is one of the varieties of the Arabic language spoken by Saudi Arabs. Once nomads, the Najdi Arabs are settling into towns and cities today, with more than a quarter of a million in Kuwait. Currently, there are no known movements among the Najdi in Kuwait. Pray that they would hunger to know God's love, through Jesus! |
| Wed-Thu 28-29 | The Tihami people in Yemen and Saudi Arabia are nomads and farmers and largely unreached. Aside from being nomads, the main obstacle to reaching them is that they are in Saudi Arabia, Yemen and Oman, all of which are closed to mission efforts. Pray for media outreach through radio, TV and internet to reach them. |

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RESOURCES/LINKS:

https://2414now.net/

https://www.elam.com/

https://joshuaproject.net/

https://www.merf.org/

https://www.mnnonline.org/

https://www.opendoorscanada.org/

https://www.persecution.org/

https://pioneers.ca/

https://www.saudiviewpoint.com/

https://www.simusa.org/

Missionary letter and prayer requests.