Ramadan Prayer Diary RAMADAN PRAYER MINISTRY GCAMR © 2021



I WILL GO! Ramadan Prayer Ministry

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Ramadan is a very special month for our cousins. This is the moment where they devote their lives to spiritual matters. Fasting 12 hours a day, reading their sacred book, and performing acts of kindness. It is the moment where God may especially visit them. As AMR ministry, we encourage praying for them and the Muslim territories that God will especially reveal Himself.

This **year's** Ramadan prayer diary focuses on several countries on the European, American, Africa, and Asian continents and the Middle East. We have selected some countries with a high Muslim presence. Each day, we shall learn key areas about the populations including, the number of people groups in the country. The population estimates are based on several website sources including, first, the Joshua Project. This website provides useful data on people groups and their religious affliations, available resources for some of the people groups, key information about the people groups among others. Second, https // www.worldometers.info/population/, this website provides real-time statistics on populations. This information is intended to help in understanding some of the mission territories. This will be followed by prayer points that are based on the identi ied needs in that country.

How to use this prayer guide

This prayer diary has five sections. Each section focuses on particular regions of the world. It is recommended that those involved in prayer and fasting during this month of Ramadan have special devotional moments each day for at least 30 minutes to join the rest of the world in praying for our cousins.

You may choose to adapt the Church 777 prayer time so that there could be a chain prayer globally. You may also organize a prayer group and incorporate this prayer diary in your group or adapt the diary during your daily family devotions. At a wide scale, you may adopt the prayer diary at the church departmental level, house church level, or congregational level. elow find further guidelines you may adapt and mobilize the church on how to minister to your cousins.

As GCAMR we have dedicated each Friday as a day for prayer and fasting, you may opt to adopt this arrangement.

Each member to be encouraged

- To identify and make a list of at least two names of our cousins and pray for and communicate with them regularly. Make friendly calls of encouragement each week. The objective of making frequent calls is to help in identifying their worries, concern, and needs.
- 2. Address identified needs at an individual or corporate level.
- 3. Establish a list of all needy cousins whom you may support in kind or cash.
- 4. The church leadership may mobilize resources online at the group or church level to meet the identified needs of your friends.
- 5. During the month of Ramadan, establish a chain of supplies for some of your friends who might be challenged economically.
- 6. The GCAMR Offce will share with you a Ramadan card daily that has a message or verse that may open a spiritual conversation. Share it with your cousin

Disclaimer: The data used on this document is based on estimates sourced from different websites. Any variations to what the reality may be is highly regretted. We appreciate your consideration.

Section one: The First 10 days

In the first ten days of our prayers we are going to focus on countries with the largest Muslim populations in the world.



Day 1: April 13, 2021 Indonesia

Indonesia is home to over 275,664,338 people. The country has the largest Muslim population globally with 226,596,086 Muslims, mainly from Sunni, Shafi'i madhhab forming 82% of the population. The country is situated in the 10/40 window region. There are 789 language groups out of which 247 are Muslims. The largest Muslim group is the Sunda with a population of over 38 million that has not been well reached with the Gospel.

The Bible has been translated and printed in at least 22 languages. There are other online resources uploaded on the Joshua Project website. These include the online New Testament text translated in 43 languages and the audio version available in 90 languages, whereas the Jesus' film is available in 125 local languages. This presents a great tool, for mission.

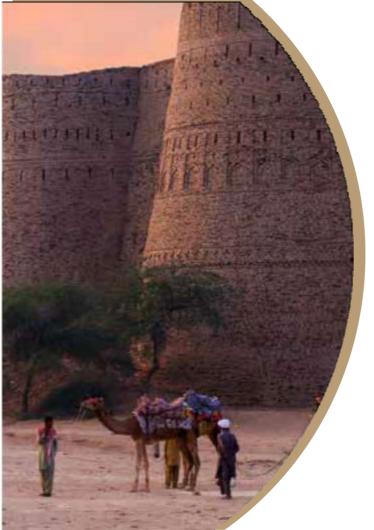




Bible verse: 2 Chronicles 7:14

If My people who are called by My name will humble themselves, and pray and seek My face, and turn from their wicked ways, then I will hear from heaven, and will forgive their sin and heal their land.

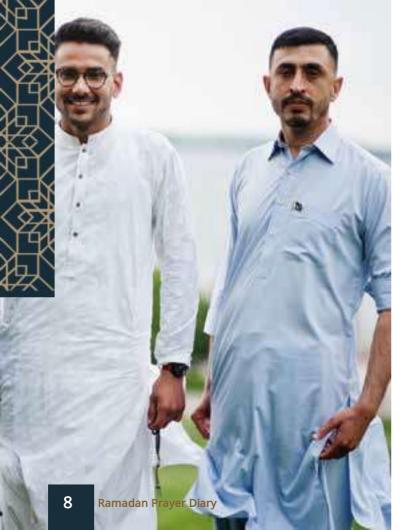
- 1. Pray that more translations of the Bible will be available to many unreached language groups
- 2. Pray that more missionaries will be prepared and sent in those people groups where there is no Adventist presence
- 3. Pray that through the working of the Holy Spirit that miraculous movement will take place among each people group
- Pray for families that have been infected and affected by COVID-19 pandemic, that God may restore their health and His peace upon them



Day 2 April 14, 2021 Pakistan

Pakistan which is in the 10/40 window region, is second in the Muslim population globally. It has a total population of 224,054,351 where 98.6% are Muslims forming a population of 220,917,590. The country has a total of 512 people groups out of which 418 are **Muslims'** people groups. This presents a very high number of Muslim people groups in one country.

There are a few available online resources including an online New Testament version translated in 9 languages, and 10 languages in audio format. **Jesus'** Film is available in 25 local languages. Reaching out to a Muslim with the gospel is regarded as a criminal act.



Bible verse: Colossian 4:2 (NKJV)

Continue earnestly in prayer, being vigilant in it with thanksgiving.

- Pray that God may soften the hearts of the political and religious leaders to allow the spreading of the word of God. That new mission frontier may be opened.
- 2. Pray that God may prepare and create mission opportunities among our believers who have networks with their cousins
- Pray that God may reveal himself among our cousins through dreams and visions



Day 3 April 15, 2021 India

India is famously known for the highest population of Hindu believers. However, it is important to note that, Muslims are the second-largest religious group, forming 14.6 of the total population which is 194,606,924. Pew research project that in the next 10 years from now, 2021, India will have the highest Muslim population globally. What factors may lead to this turnaround of the Muslim population trend? First, Muslims in India are very evangelistic, second, the populations in India provide a fertile ground for growth.

The concept of **"one** community (ummah) and oneness of God (Tawhid) is one of the selling points to the rapid spreading of Islam in India. There are 409 Muslim people groups out of 2,717.



Bible verse: Romans 12:12

Rejoicing in hope, patient in tribulation, continuing steadfastly in prayer.

- That God may send more laborers in His vineyard. That many of our leaders and believers may be trained for the AMR mission work. Pray for an end-time movement among our cousins to emerge.
- 2. That God may use our schools as mission fields.
- Pray for church agencies in the region to be a catalyst for mission among the people groups



Day 4 April 16, 2021 Bangladesh

Bangladesh is the fourth in Muslim population size. Out of the total population of 165,904,085, there are over 144 Million Muslims which makes up 86.9%. In total, there are 331 people groups out of which 88 are Muslim. The Bengali language is spoken to most of the people groups thus making it the national language. Majority of the Muslims peak Bengali. It is estimated that over 140 Million Muslims in Bangladesh speak Bengali. This is the largest single block of the Muslim population using one language.

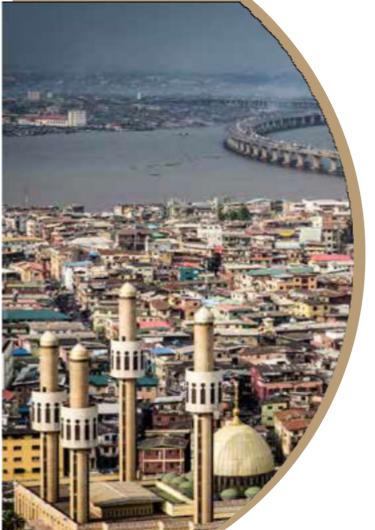
There is a complete (OT & NT) online Bengali Bible available on Bengali Holy Bible app, NT text, and audio online at Joshua Project Website. The good news is that Jesus Film is also available in Bengali among other 35 languages in angladesh. The film can be easily accessed through the Joshua Project website



Bible text: Ezra 8:23

So we fasted and entreated our God for this, and He answered our prayer. **Prayer Points**

- 1. Pray for the church members to be well prepared to establish redemptive relationships with their acquaintances
- 2. Pray for the families that have been drastically affected by the COVID-19 pandemic. Pray for a quick recovery for those who are still battling the disease. Also, pray for the government leadership to be in a position to handle the pandemic
- 3. Pray for the believers from our **cousins'** faith. Pray for their spiritual growth and involvement in mission work among their



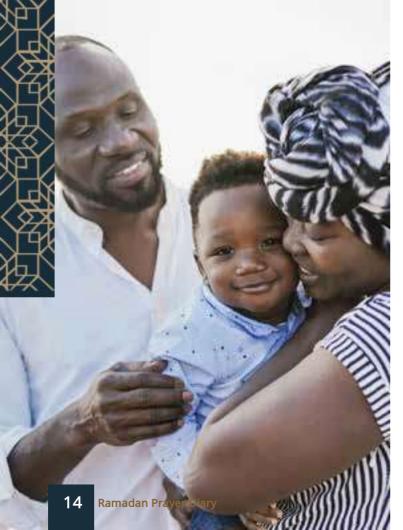
Day 5 April 17, 2021 Nigeria

Nigeria has the largest Muslim population in Africa and in particular, Sub-Saharan Africa. Out of the total population of 209,896,709, Muslim form 43.2% which translates to 90,675,378. Nigeria is home to 538 people groups out of which 95 are from a Muslim background. Hausa is the largest Muslim population in Nigeria with a population of over 34,783,000 and globally over 50 Million scattered in 16 countries. Joshua project website has availed online Complete Bible text and in Audio format together with Jesus' Film in Hausa among other languages used by Muslim people groups.

Due to some elements of fundamentalism, the northern region has experienced attacks from time to time. This affected the mission of the church greatly. Though there are very dedicated servants sharing the gospel in love.



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Bible verse: Romans 12:12

Rejoicing in hope, patient in tribulation, continuing steadfastly in prayer.

- 1. Pray for the political stability in the northern region. Pray that God may reach out to any element that is causing division. Pray for the government leadership to be able to address such challenges
- 2. Pray for the church of God in Nigeria, that is, all the church leaders, pastors, and church members to be well equipped in carrying out ministry to their cousins.
- 3. Pray for the largest Adventist University in Nigeria (Babcock University) to be the catalyst for mission in the country as many young people are reached with the three angels Messages. Pray for our cousins who have gone through this university, that the seed planted in their hearts may germinate and become missionaries in their community.



Day 6 April 18, 2021 Egypt

Egypt is uniquely known for her rich biblical historical background from the days of Abraham. Later on the whole 430 years of the history of the children of Israel and the great deliverance of **God's** people is well recorded in the Bible. No one can read the story of Jesus and miss the unique historical records of his parents who took refuge in Egypt. Until the 6th century, Egypt has been one of the prominent centers of Christianity.

Today, it is the other way round. In the world, Egypt is the sixth country with a large Muslim population of up to 89,434,569 which is 86.2% of the total population of 103,752,400. Arab Egyptian (pop. 64,005,000) and Arab Saidi (pop. 24,434,000) form the largest bloc of the Muslim population, an estimated total of 88,439,000. Egypt has 42 people groups out of which 31 are Muslims. Joshua Project website has availed useful resources for the unreached people groups including, a complete Online Bible in text and audio versions, and Jesus' film in different languages. The church is doing its best in reaching out to the community through different approaches.

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Bible verse: 1 John 5:15

And if we know that He hears us, whatever we ask, we know that we have the petitions that we have asked of Him.

- Pray that God may bring a restoration of the Christian faith as it was in the cradle period of the church. Pray that God may inspire more dedicated believers to work among the 31 different Muslim people groups
- 2. Pray for several church initiatives in reaching out to our cousins. Pray for more resources to be available to equip more missionaries for the work
- 3. Pray for the outpouring of the Holy Spirit that will cause a special Adventist movement among our cousins



Day 7 April 19, 2021 Iran

Iran is the only country with the largest Shia Muslim population globally. The country has a total population of 84,787,880 out of which 82,668,183 (97.5%) are Muslims. There are 78 Muslim people groups out of 94. The largest Muslim people group in Persia with a total population of 41,813,400 globally and 37,677,000 in Iran alone. Joshua Project has availed online resources including, a complete Bible in text and audio formats and Jesus' film in several local languages

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Bible verse: John 14:13

And whatever you ask in My name, that I will do, that the Father may be glorified in the Son.

- 1. Pray for many MBBs from Islam that God may protect them and give them the courage to share their faith with their close acquaintances
- 2. Pray for the health system of the country that may be able to cope up with the COVID-19 pandemic. Pray for many who have been infected and affected by the pandemic. Pray for a quick recovery to all those infected.
- 3. Pray that God may reveal himself to our cousins through dreams and visions and cause a movement for Jesus.

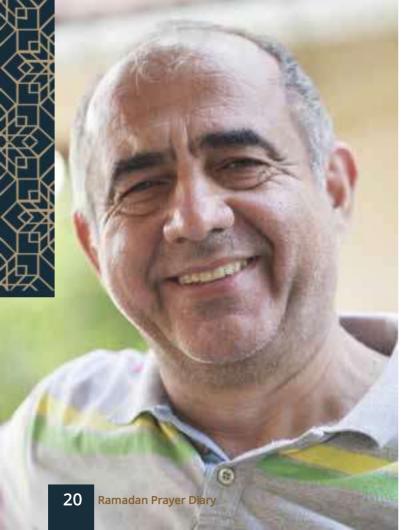


Day 8 April 20, 2021 Turkey

This beautiful country was once the home to the famous seven churches mentioned in the Book of Revelation chapters 2 and 3. Christianity flourished in Turkey as the dominant religion until 1880 when it started to decline rapidly. Today 96.2% of the population are Muslim. The dominant sect is Sunni 80.5%) then **Shi'a** at 16.5% (Alevis, **Ja'faris,** Alawites), and a few Ismail.

Nonetheless, most Turkey Muslims are known to be the most secular because of the European influence. Out of the 68 people groups, 45 are Muslim people groups. Turk being the largest Muslim people group with a population of over 59 million.





Bible verse: 1 Peter 4:7

But the end of all things is at hand; therefore be serious and watchful in your prayers.

- Pray that God may bring back his wonderful people to the way of the cross. That God may use the efforts of hundreds of missionaries in Turkey to prepare millions for His second coming
- 2. Thank God for many answered prayers offered by God's people including the repossession of the church property
- 3. Pray for the church leadership in that region, that God may provide them with plans on how to carry out mission work

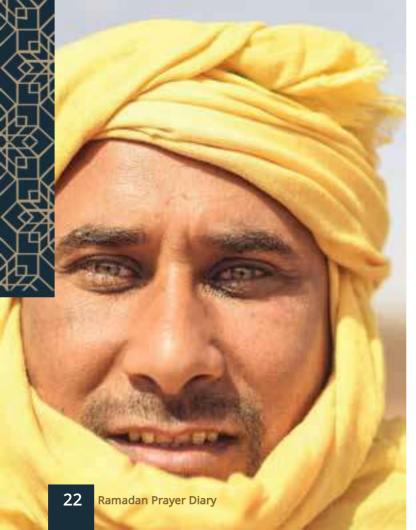


Day 9 April 21, 2021 Algeria

Algeria is the ninth-largest Muslim country in the world with a total population of 44,435,162 where 43,013,237 (96.8) are Muslims. Algeria is well known for its goldbrown creamy sweet dates and hospitable people. Algeria is home to 40 people groups where 35 are Muslim.

The Algerian Arabic-speaking people group is the largest with a population of 29,618,000. Islam in Algeria is predominately Sunni sect with a few **Shi'a**.

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Bible verse: Matthew 21:22

And whatever you ask in prayer, you will receive, if you have faith.

Ellen G. White Quote: *Steps to Christ,* ch. 11, p. 98

Unceasing PRAYER is the unbroken union of the soul with God, so that life from God flows into our life; and from our life, purity and holiness flow back to God.

- Pray for the protection of Muslim Background Believers living and working in Algeria
- 2. Pray that God will break the prejudice among Muslim people groups towards Christians. That God may soften their hearts and give them inclinations towards the Bible message
- 3. Pray for several mission initiatives that have been established in the country. Pray that God may use them for His glory.



Day 10 April 22, 2021 Iraq

It has been alluded that the garden of Eden was situated in Iraq. Later on, the same region was famously known because it became a superpower under the Babylonian Kingdom. Today, Iraq is one of the centers of war and strife in the Middle Eastern region. It is worth noting that it has the tenth largest Muslim population globally at 39,169,707 out of a total population of 40,886,961. 24 out of 35 people groups found in Iraq are Muslims.

The largest groups are Kurd Central and Kurd Kurmanji with a population of over 8 Million. The Joshua Project website has uploaded complete online Bible in audio and text format together with Jesus' film in different languages.

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Bible verse: Acts 9:40:

But Peter put them all out, and knelt down and prayed. And turning to the body he said, "Tabitha, arise." And she opened her eyes, and when she saw Peter she sat up.

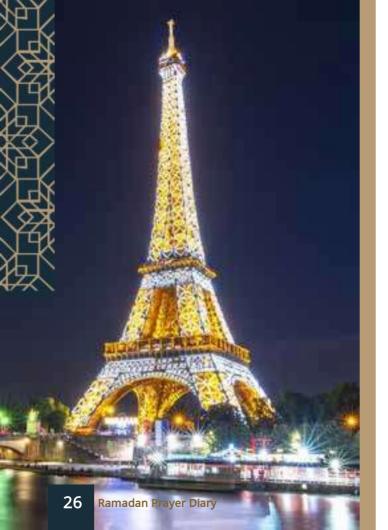
Ellen G. White Quote: *Testimonies*, v.5, p.454

A great work is to be done, and this work has been entrusted to those who know the truth. They should make mighty intercession with God for help now

- 1. Pray that God may soften the hearts of the political and religious leaders to allow the spreading of the gospel
- 2. Pray for peace and tranquillity in the region that will create an environment for witnessing. Pray for the believers in some of the people groups that God may give them the boldness they need to witness to their family members and friends
- 3. Pray for the multiplication movements happening among some of the people groups

Section two:

This section will be focusing on five European countries with relatively high Muslim populations.



Day 11 April 23, 2021 France

France is one of the European countries with the highest Muslim population. Most of the Muslims in France have come from neighboring Muslim countries which were colonized by France like Algeria. It is on record that the highest Muslim influx came from Algeria in the 1960s after World War I when they were granted asylum by the government. Currently, there are 5,622,747 Muslims which is 8.6% of the population and 39 Muslim people groups out of 113. Currently, there are 2,300 mosques across France and over 200 more are planned to be constructed soon because of the rapid growth of Muslims in the country.



Bible Verses: Isaiah 58:6-7

"Is this not the fast that I have chosen: To loose the bonds of wickedness, To undo the heavy burdens, To let the oppressed go free, And that you break every yoke? Is it not to share your bread with the hungry, And that you bring to your house the poor who are cast out; When you see the naked, that you cover him, And not hide yourself from your own flesh?

Prayer points

- 1. Pray that the church in France may be committed to reaching out to the Muslims with the love of Christ
- 2. Pray for thousands of Muslims who are on asylum status. That God may open ways for their settlements.
- Pray for the cousins as they are in the month of Ramadan, committed in their spirituality, that God may especially reveal to them. That many may accept Jesus in their lives. Pray for those who cannot afford a meal (Iftar) to break their fast. Pray that the Lord may provide

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Day 12 April 24, 2021 Spain

Spain has a long history of Islam. It is on the historical record that the religion arrived in the country by a special invitation from a Christian chief, Julian who was seeking protection against the tyrannical Visigoth ruler of Spain, Roderick;

The traditional story is that in the year 711, an oppressed Christian chief, Julian, went to Musa ibn Nusair, the governor of North Africa, with a plea for help against the tyrannical Visigoth ruler of Spain, Roderick. Musa responded by sending the young general Tarig bin Ziyad with an army of 7000 troops. The name Gibraltar is derived from Jabal At-Tarig which is Arabic for 'Rock of Tarig' named after the place where the Muslim army landed. The story of the appeal for help is not universally accepted. There is no doubt that Tarig invaded Spain, but the reason for it may have more to do with the Muslim drive to enlarge their territory. The Muslim army defeated the Visigoth army easily, and Roderick was killed in battle. After the first victory, the Muslims conquered most of Spain and Portugal with little diffculty, and

in fact with little opposition. By 720 Spain was largely under Muslim (or Moorish, as it was called) control.¹

Muslim scholars in Spain made a significant contribution to the introduction of the use of reason (litihad) in doing Quranic exegesis. Nonetheless, Islam has not made significant inroads in the country. Currently, the Muslim population is 1,215,974 making a 2.6% of the total population of 46,768,236. There are only 16 Muslim people groups out of 105, most of which have their origin from the Middle East and North Africa. Spain remains the gateway of many Muslim asylum seekers from Africa. This has led to the establishment of several mosques and prayer centers for our cousins (13 large mosques and more than 1000 smaller mosques and Islamic prayer rooms scattered across the country)

Bible verse: Colossian 4:2

Continue earnestly in prayer, being vigilant in it with thanksgiving;

Ellen G. Whit Quotation: Pamphlet: An Important Testimony to Our Brethren and Sisters in New York, 1887

A truly Christian life will cost us thoughtfulness, searching of the Scriptures, and most earnest, persevering prayer. It will not be prayer without point and purpose, but it will be the intercession of a heart burdened for poor sinners out of Christ.

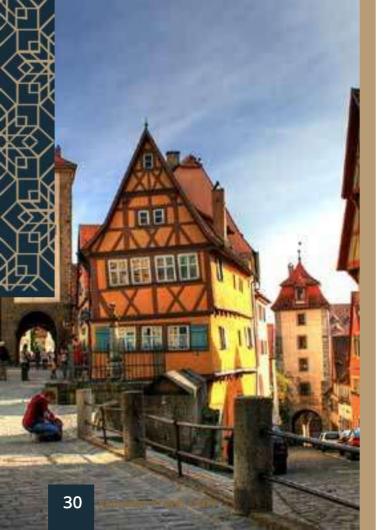
Prayer points

- 1. Pray for the church and the country at large that is hard hit by the COVID-19 pandemic. That God may comfort millions of people who have been affected by the pandemic in one way or another. Pray for the protection of medical practitioners and support staff as they take care of the sick
- 2. Pray for church leaders and members who are well positioned, particularly in the Canary Islands which has the largest refugee camps. Pray that the church may find ways to minister to the refugees in the camp and other settlements.
- 3. Pray for the ongoing AMR training where hundreds of believers are equipped on how to minister to our cousins.



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¹ Religions. Muslim Spain (711-1492). https://www.bbc.co.uk/religion/religions/islam/history/spain_1.shtml. Accessed on 4/4/2021.



Day 13 April 25, 2021 Germany

It is reported that "Muslims first moved to Germany as part of the diplomatic, military and economic relations between Germany and the Ottoman Empire in the eighteenth century. Twenty Muslim soldiers served under Frederick William I of Prussia, at the beginning of the eighteenth **century."**² Currently, Islam is the fasted growing religion in Germany mainly through asylum seekers. It is estimated that there are 4,787,021 in a total population of 83,982,825 making a 5.7%.

Further, Germany has over 2,500 mosques spread across the country. Out of the 92 people groups in Germany, there are 22 Muslim people groups, Turks being the largest with 1,566,00.

When did Islam arrive in Germany? https://www.google.com/ search?q=When+did+Islam+arrrive+in+Germany&rlz=1C5GCEA_ en&oq=When+did+Islam+arrrive+in+Germany&aqs=chrome Accessed on 4/4/2021.



Bible Verse: Luke 18:1

Then He spoke a parable to them, that men always ought to pray and not lose heart

- Pray that more leaders and members may receive AMR training that will help them to be effective in ministering to their cousins in Germany
- Pray for hundreds of new believers (MBBs), that God may prepare and use them to reach out to thousands of their friends and relatives with the massage of hope.
- 3. Pray for the initiatives employed by the church in reaching out to their cousins



Day 14 April 26, 2021 Britain

"The first group of Muslims to come to Great ritain in significant numbers, in the 18th century, were lascars (sailors) recruited from the Indian subcontinent, largely from the Bengal region, to work for the East India Company on British ships, some of whom settled down and took local **wives."**³ Today there are 3,407,526 Muslims most of them live in London (at least 1.2 Million Muslims). Out of 113 people groups in the UK, 25 are Muslims mostly from the Middle East and of Asian origin.

There has been a rapid growth of the mosques in the recent past. Currently, there are more than 1,700 mosques across the UK. The faith has attracted many young British descend and Caribbean inmates.

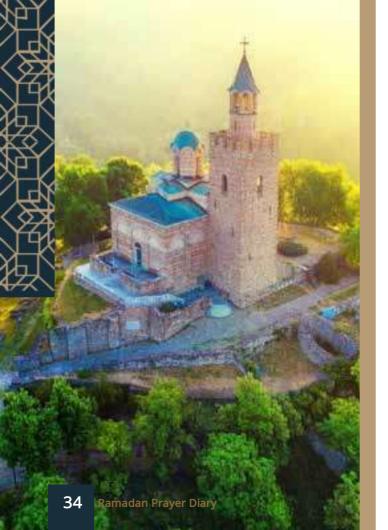
³When did Muslim arrive in Britain? https://www.google.com/ search?q=When+did+Islam+arrive+in+Britain. 4/4/2021. Also see History of Islam in the UK. https://www.bbc.co.uk/religion/religions/islam/history/uk_1.shtml



Bible verse: Philippians 4:6

Be anxious for nothing, but in everything by prayer and supplication, with thanksgiving, let your requests be made known to God;

- Pray that the church leaders and members in the UK may be well prepared for this growing mission field. Pray for all believers with cousin acquaintances, that they may be a source of hope and light for the salvation of their friends and neighbors.
- 2. Pray that during this month of Ramadan, God may reveal Himself through dreams and visions to millions of our cousins. That they may experience his love
- Pray for the discipleship of new believers from our cousins' faith. Pray that they will grow in grace and be able to reach out to their networks. Pray for their protection and a courageous spirit to witness.



Day 15 April 27, 2021 Bulgaria

Bulgarian is one of the **Balkan's** countries in eastern Europe. Historically, the Balkans came into contact with Islam in 1340 when the Ottoman Turks first entered as mercenaries of Byzantium.

Today, Bulgaria is one of the Eastern European countries with a relatively high Muslim population of 12% with over 1,200 mosques. Out of the 31 people groups, 8 are Muslim mainly of Turkish descent.



Bible verse: Colossians 4:2

Continue earnestly in prayer, being vigilant in it with thanksgiving;

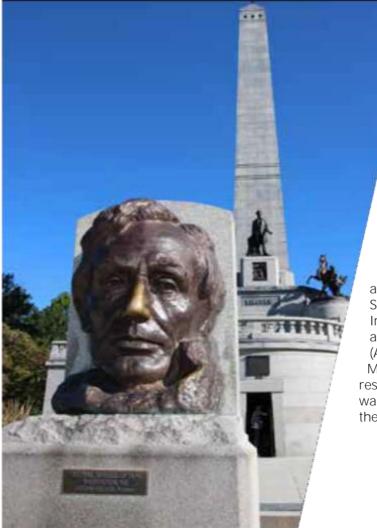
Ellen G. White Quote: Signs of the Times, Sept 11, 1893

The church may be composed of those who are poor and uneducated; but if they have learned of Christ the science of prayer, the church will have power to move the arm of Omnipotence. The true people of God will have an influence that will tell upon hearts.

- Pray for the over half a million Turks living in Bulgaria. Pray that God may lead them to accept the Three Angels Messages. That God may prepare them to be the catalyst of the present truth to the millions of Turks living in Turkey.
- 2. Pray that God may raise more missionaries to work among our cousins.

Section three:

In this section we have dedicated seven days to pray for Muslim population in selected American States.



Day 16 April 28, 2021 Illinois

Illinois is home to over 360,000 Muslims. The state has a population of 12,859,995 majorities being White (non-Hispanic). Most of the Muslims are of Asian descent. There are at least 70 mosques in IL 30 of which are in Chicago.

The main Islamic sect is Ibadi along with Sunni and Shi'a. Ibadi is regarded as the progressive Sunni sect of Islam which originated in Basra, Iraq 1,300 years ago. Ibadis refer to themselves as "the Muslims" or "the people of straightness" (Ahl al-istiqama). They make up to 40% of the Muslim population. The emergence of Ibadi was a response to the rejection of the fourth Caliph, Ali wanting to return Islam to the prior arrangement of the first three caliphs.



Bible verse: James 5:13

Is anyone among you suffering? Let him pray. Is anyone cheerful? Let him sing psalms.

Ellen White Quote: Prayer, page 82.

Prayer Brings Increased Spiritual Strength—Those who seek God in secret telling the Lord their needs and pleading for help, will not plead in vain. **"Thy** Father which seeth in secret Himself shall **reward thee openly." As we make Christ** our daily companion, we shall feel that the powers of an unseen world are all around us; and by looking unto Jesus we shall become assimilated to His image. By beholding we become changed.

- Pray for the church in Illinois to grow its mission focus towards the population of our cousins in Illinois. Pray that many may be prepared to share the Three Angels' Messages with their acquaintances.
- 2. Pray for the ongoing mission initiatives by the church leadership. Pray that God may manifest Himself in different ways among the people
- 3. Pray for the emergence of an Adventist movement among our cousins in that region.



Day 17 April 29, 2021 Texas

Muslim population in Texas has grown rapidly in the last 20 years. By 2012 there were around 63,000 adherents currently they are 499,133 in a total population of 29,360,759

making around 2% of the population with over 200 mosques.

The majority are of Asian origin. The largest sect is **Shi'a** followed by Ismailism and Ahmadiyya. Huston has a large population of our cousins.



Bible verse: Acts 13:3

Then, having fasted and prayed, and laid hands on them, they sent them away

- Pray for those involved in mission work among their cousins. Pray that the Lord may send more workers to the vineyard.
- 2. Pray for the contacts made by those involved in the ministry. Pray that God may soften their hearts to accept the Three Angels Messages. Pray for more open doors of opportunities as the church is focused to serve thousands of our cousins
- 3. Pray for an establishment of a house church movement among our cousins who come to faith particularly during this period of Ramadan.



Day 18 April 30, 2021 New York

New York has a total population of 8,419,000. It is estimated that Muslims in the larger New York county form 2% and the Community Affairs Bureau estimates over 1 million Muslims who live in New York City. It is on record that 1 in 10 Muslims in the US lives in New York.

This presents New York city as the hub of the Muslim population. The Sunni sect has a large following in US.



Bible verse: Mark 9:29

So He said to them, "This kind can come out by nothing but prayer and fasting."

- 1. Pray for more laborers to be prepared and deployed to work among our cousins in the city of New York. Pray that God may soften the hearts of our cousins to be receptive to the Three Angels Messages
- 2. Pray that God may lead the church leadership in that territory as they get more focused on doing missions among our cousins.
- 3. Pray for the church in America, and the world at large as she addresses the issue of discrimination caused by religious differences. Pray that we may live in harmony with our cousins and adherents of other religious affliations.



Day 19 May 1, 2021 Minnesota

Minnesota has a total population of 5,657,342. Over 70% of the population is made up of Asians (41.7%) and Africans (28.6%) respectively.

In 1992 there was a Muslim population of only 5,000. The Muslim population has rapidly grown to 5% majority of the Muslim population s mostly Sunni. A good number of Somali Americans have settled in Minnesota where they have established several mosques for their community. Most of the Somali Americans have settled in Minneapolis.



Bible verse: Acts 2:46

So continuing daily with one accord in the temple, and breaking bread from house to house, they ate their food with gladness and simplicity of heart

- Pray for God's church in Minnesota to be equipped in doing mission among their cousins whom the Lord has brought them into their neighborhood. Pray that as believers respond to the "I WILL GO" initiative, they may develop a mission plan to reach out to each of their contacts.
- 2. Pray for the outpouring of the Holy Spirit in the hearts of our cousins as they seek the face of God daily during this month of Ramadan
- Pray for the church leadership at the Conference and Union level to have a vibrant AMR ministry that will be able to minister to thousands of Muslims in the region.



Day 20 May 2, 2021 Michigan

Michigan may have the largest number of Arab Americans. The total population of Michigan is estimated at over 10 Million. Detroit is said to have the largest Arab Americans of over 400 thousand.

There are 168 Islamic centers and mosques across Michigan. Because of the integration of our cousins from different Middle Eastern and Asia regions, there is a sizable number of Sunni, Shi'a, and Sufi Muslims.



Bible verses: Proverbs 15:29

The LORD is far from the wicked, But He hears the prayer of the righteous.

Ellen G. White Quote: Gospel Workers page 259

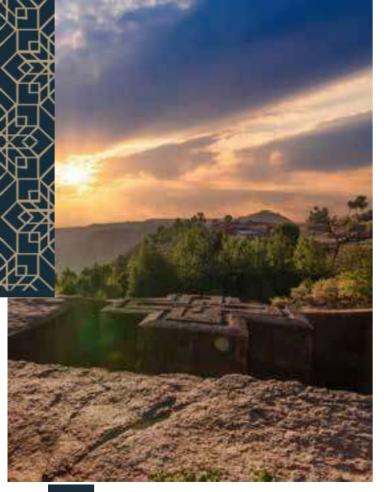
Prayer Lays Hold Upon Infinite Power-True faith and true prayer—how strong they are! They are as two arms by which the human suppliant lays hold upon the power of Infinite Love.

- 1. As we conclude the first 20 days and begin the last 10 days of Ramadan, pray that God may visit our cousins in Michigan and across the world through dreams and vision. Pray that the last ten days of Ramadan many may experience their salvation in Jesus
- 2. Pray for the missionaries working among the people groups. That God may use them in a mighty way. Pray that they may become a bridge of hope to their contacts.
- 3. Pray that many church leaders and members will be introduced to join the AMR ministry and be equipped to be involved.

Section four:

This is the beginning of the last 10 days of Ramadan. Our cousins hold these last days with high regard because they believe that the **Qur'an** was revealed within these last days of Ramadan, particularly the night of the 27th day which is known as Laylatul Qadr (The night of power). Therefore, prayer and the reading of the Qur'an are intensified.

For the next five days, we shall be praying for selected African countries in the Sub-Saharan region with a higher Muslim presence.



Day 21 May 3, 2021 Ethiopia

Islam in Ethiopia was introduced in the 7th century during the first emigration of Muslims who fled from Mecca because of persecution. It is recorded that around 70 to 80 Muslims traveled to Abyssinia in AD 615. Harar is one of the ancient towns that is regarded to be the fourth holy city of Islam A few remained in Ethiopia. Today Ethiopia has a total population of 117,057,673 out of which 39,799,609 are Muslims making 34% of the population.

There are a total of 128 people groups of which 34 are Muslim people groups the largest being the Oromo with over 18 Million people. The Joshua Project website has uploaded online complete Bible on the text and audio versions and the Jesus film in most of the local languages.



Bible verses: 1 Thessalonians 5:16-19

Rejoice always, pray without ceasing, in everything give thanks; for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you.

Prayer request

- Pray for the Adventist Movement in some pockets among our **cousins'** people group. That the Three Angels Messages may penetrate among these communities
- 2. Pray for the leaders and the membership to embrace AMR ministry. Pray that there will be a great involvement in reaching out to our cousins
- Pray for new believers. Pray that God may protect them from harm and danger. That God may use them in reaching their family members



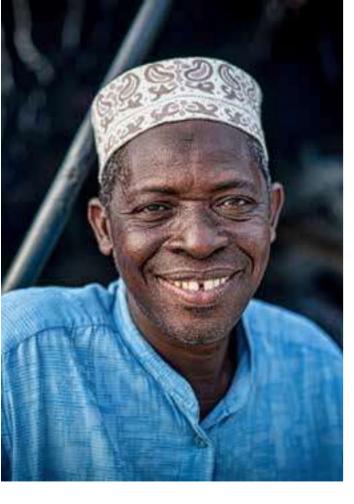


Day 22 May 4, 2021 Tanzania

Tanzania has a long history of Islam just like Ethiopia. It is stated that **"The** history of Islam in the country can be traced to the establishment of the Kilwa Sultanate in the 10th century by Ali ibn al-Hassan Shirazi, a Persian prince of **Shiraz."**⁴ Islam forms 30% out of the total population of 60,983,198.

Out of 155 people group 39 are Muslims, the largest being Makonde (1,795,000), Zaramo (1,249,000) and Shambala (1,237,000) respectively. The dominant sect is Sunni of the Shafi'i Madhhab.

⁴ When did Islam arrive in Tanzania? https://www.google.com/ search?q=When+did+Islam+arrive+in+Tanzania. Accessed on 4/4/20201

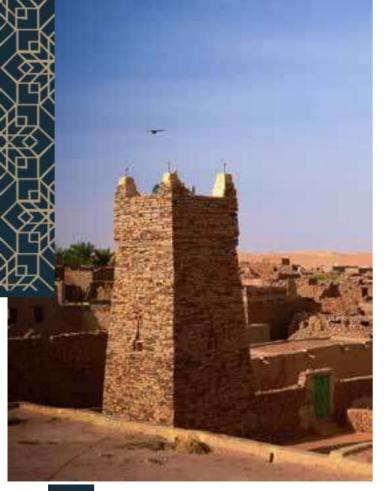


Bible verse: John 15:7

If you abide in Me, and My words abide in you, you[a] will ask what you desire, and it shall be done for you.

Prayer Point

- Pray for the Media ministry (both social and electronic) being used in reaching out to our cousins with the Three Angels Messages. Pray for all presenters and technical teams involved in this ministry
- 2. Pray for the hundreds of practitioners being involved on one on one and through dialogue meetings. Pray that the Holy Spirit may use them mightily. Pray for the millions of our cousins interested in the message of hope. That God may soften their hearts to accept the messages.
- 3. Pray for hundreds of new believers being discipled. Pray that they may be equipped so that they may be effective in ministering among their communities.



Day 23 May 5, 2021 Mauritania

Mauritania is one of the Islamic states in Africa. It has a total population of 4,739,468 where 99.5% are Muslims. There are 16 Muslim people groups out of 19. It is a largely Sunni community follower of Imam Maliki. Though a small country but has a very high Muslim presence.



Bible verse: Psalm 37:4

Delight yourself also in the LORD, And He shall give you the desires of your heart.

Ellen G. White Quote: In Heavenly places page 82

There is a mighty power in prayer. Our great adversary is constantly seeking to keep the troubled soul away from God. An appeal to Heaven by the humblest saint is more to be dreaded by Satan than the decrees of cabinets or the mandates of kings.—

- 1. Pray for miracles and wonders to be manifested among those who are sick, and demon-possessed
- 2. Pray that God may soften the hearts of the religious and political leaders to be receptive to the Three Angels Messages
- 3. Pray for the leadership of the church at all levels. Pray that the Lord may give them mission plans designed by Him. Pray that more laborers may be prepared to work in the territory.



Day 24 May 6, 2021 Mayotte

Mayotte is home to 8 people groups who came from Africa, Arabia, and the island of Madagascar. 6 of those people groups are affliated with Islam. **"Most** of the people are Mahorais of Malagasy origin and are Sunni Muslim and strongly influenced by French culture; there is a Roman Catholic **minority."** It is reported that Islam arrived in the Islam in the 15th century when **"Arabs** invaded the Island converted its **inhabitants."**⁶

Currently, there is a total population of 277,657 where 97.6 (270,993) are Muslims. The largest unreached Muslim people group is the Comorian, Maore with a total population of 176,000.

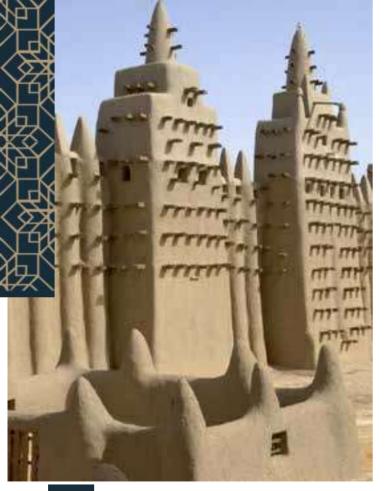
⁶Mayotte. https://www.britannica.com/place/Mayotte. Accessed on 5/4/2021 Ibid.



Bible verse: Luke 11:9

"So I say to you, ask, and it will be given to you; seek, and you will find; knock, and it will be opened to you.

- 1. Pray for the church believers in Mayotte to be equipped for the I WILL GO initiative among their cousins
- 2. Pray for the mission initiatives. That God may use the practitioners for His Glory. Pray for the availability of resource to be able to establish community-based projects
- Pray for the new believers who are being discipled. Pray that they may be bold enough to share their new faith with their family members and friends.



Day 25 May 7, 2021 Mali

Islam came into Mali through trade. In 1300 most Mali local leaders embraced the new faith. The most famous of them was Mansa Musa (1307-32). He made Islam the state religion and in 1324 went on pilgrimage from Mali to Mecca. Today Islam is the dominant religion in the country.

The country has a total population of 20,148,000 where 87.8% of the population are Muslims. Further, there are 60 Muslim people groups out of the 74 people groups. The largest being the Bambara with a population of 6,026,000 situated in the middle valley of the Niger River.



Bible verse: Psalm 20:4

May He grant you according to your heart's desire, And fulfill all your purpose.

Ellen G. White Quote: Counsels on Diet and Foods, 188, 189 (1904).

Now and onward till the close of time the people of God should be more earnest, more wide-awake, not trusting in their own wisdom, but in the wisdom of their Leader. They should set aside days for fasting and prayer. Entire abstinence from food may not be required, but they should eat sparingly of the most simple food.—

Prayer points

- 1. Pray that God will give the new believers among the people groups boldness to share the love of Jesus with their people.
- 2. Pray for more missionaries to be equipped and sent to the different people groups in the country
- 3. Pray for **God's** church in Mali to have boldness in sharing the Three Angels Messages among their cousins in a proper way



Section five:

In this last section, we need to intensify our prayers. One way to do this is by establishing a 24-hour chain prayer. This is because, for today, our cousins will intensify their involvement in prayer and the reading of the **Qur'an**. They believe that tomorrow night is a night of power where devotees may receive special **Barak** (blessings). Our prayers may open the doors of mercy to some to be touched by the everlasting grace and accept the salvation in Jesus Christ.

In these last days, we will be praying for five selected countries in the Middle East.



Day 26 May 8, 2021 Yemen

Yemen has a population of 30,309,649, 99.7% of her population are Muslims. Out of the 30 people groups, 21 are affliated with Islam, the largest being the Arabs in Northern Yemen with around 13 million people.

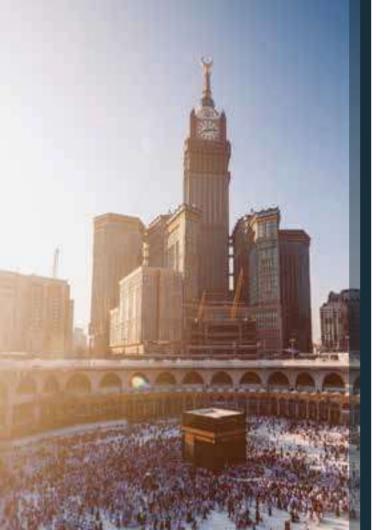
Most Yemenis are eighter Sunni or Zaidi Shi'a. It has been stated that Yemen is the famous territory of the ancient homeland of the Queen of Sheba as stated in the Bible and the **Qur'an**.



Bible verse: Jeremiah 33:3

'Call to Me, and I will answer you, and show you great and [a] mighty things, which you do not know.'

- 1. As millions of our cousins in Yemen and across the world prepare for **tomorrow's** Night of Power prayers for spiritual blessing, let us pray that the Lord will pour His Holy Spirit upon them. Pray that God may reveal Himself through dreams and visions.
- 2. Pray that God may visit those in need and sick ones through wonders and miracles. Pray for the political instability of the country.
- 3. Pray for millions of Muslims who have received dreams and vision of "the Man in White" that they may grow in His grace and be established and prepared for the second coming of Jesus our Lord.



Day 27 May 9, 2021 Saud Arabia

Saud Arabia is the birthplace of the prophet of Islam, Muhammad, and subsequently where Islam began in 610 following the first revelation to Muhammad. Today Islam is home to over 35 Million people where 92% of the population are Muslims. Out of the 45 people, groups in the region 32 have are affliated with Islam.

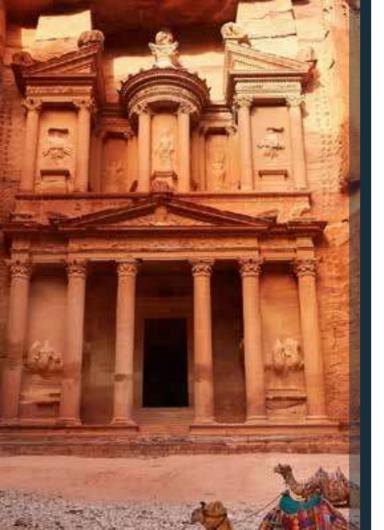
Saudi Arabia is among a few governments that operate under a Monarchical rule and where Sharia (Islamic law) is the primary source of legislation. Mecca is regarded as the first holy city of Islam where only Muslims are allowed to live and or visit.



Bible verse: Psalms 141:2

Let my prayer be set before You as incense, The lifting up of my hands as the evening sacrifice.

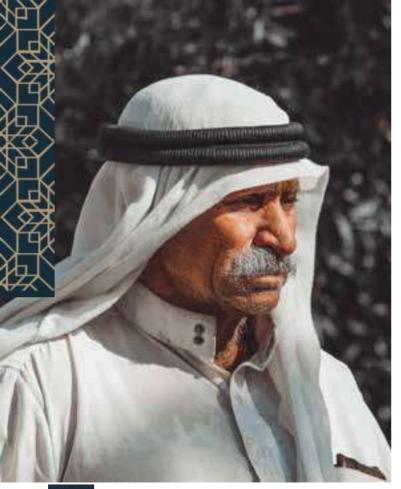
- Today is a high day in the month of Ramadan. Let's continue praying for God's revelation to be Manifested to the people of Saudi Arabia and beyond
- 2. In your prayer mention at least two of your cousins. Pray that God may visit them through dreams and vision
- 3. Pray that God may break the walls of religious prejudice in the hearts of our cousins. Pray for their salvation.



Day 28 May 10, 2021 Jordan

The name Jordan is very familiar in both the Old and New Testaments. Jordan as a country is famously known as the Bible holy land. This is evident for her many features situated in the country including, Mt. Nebo, The Jordan River where Jesus was baptized, the Dead sea, among others. Jordan was a Christian territory in the 1st century.

Today 96.3% of the population are Muslims. 14 out of 20 people groups in Jordan are Muslims. The Joshua Project website has uploaded Jesus' film in most of the language groups.



Bible verse: James 4:3

You ask and do not receive, because you ask amiss, that you may spend it on your pleasures.

- 1. Let's pray for the church leadership at all levels in the Middle East region and Jordan in particular. Pray that God will give them wisdom on how to carry out the mission in these closed territories
- 2. Pray for new believers from different Muslim people groups. Pray that God may protect them and give them the courage to witness among their family members. Pray for the special anointing upon them
- 3. Pray for many families that are affected by the COVID-19 pandemic, pray that God may restore their economic activities. Pray for the medical practitioners who are still battling up with the disease.



Day 29 May 11, 2021 Kuwait

Kuwait has a total population of 4,317,230. The country is largely Islamic with a population of 2,961,620 making 68.6% of the population. The majority of the population are the Kuwaiti Arabs forming over 30% of the population. Out of the 28 people groups, 17 are adherents of Islamic faith, Arab, Arabic Gulf spoken dialect being the largest people group with over 1.3 million people.

The country is governed by a combination of Islamic Sharia (Law) and European law. God has been working miraculously in this country. It is one of the Middle East countries where Christians are over 10%. The Islamic government tolerates believers of other faith affliations.



Bible verse I John 5:14 (NKJV)

Now this is the confidence that we have in Him, that if we ask anything according to His will, He hears us.

- 1. Pray that the church in Kuwait may continue to grow stronger and be able to reach out to many of our cousins
- 2. Pray that God may continue to soften the hearts of our cousins and be prepared to receive the Three Angels Messages
- 3. Pray that the church may employ different media approaches to reach as many people as possible. Pray for the availability of more resources that the church may be in a position to deploy more laborers.
- 4. Pray for many new believers joining the faith. Pray that God may protect them and empower them to become instruments in His hand.



Day 30 May 12, 2021 United Arab Emirates

The United Arab Emirates (UAE) is a federation of seven states. These include, Abu Dhabi, Dubai, Sharjah, Ajman, Umm Al-Quwain, and Fujairah, and Ras Al Khaimah. The UAE is the Middle **East's** second-largest economy, after Saudi Arabia. This has attracted people from all over the world for business and work. Nonetheless, the major religion in the region is Islam. Out of a total population of 9,980,748, 64.9% are Muslims.

There are 36 people groups out of which 28 are adherents of the Islamic faith. Arab Emirati and Arab Egypt forming the largest population of more than one million. This region has presented unique opportunities in the advancement of mission among our cousins who come from different parts of the world mostly for economic reasons.



Bible verse: I Peter 5:7

casting all your care upon Him, for He cares for you.

Prayer points

- Pray for the church leadership and the believers at large. Pray they may be well equipped to be effective in reaching out to their acquaintances. Pray for the AMR ministry to be vibrant in every local congregation.
- 2. **Pray for the new believers from our cousins' religion.** Pray that they may be well discipled and be a catalyst in doing mission among their families and friends
- 3. Praise God for His goodness and the answered prayers during this month of Ramadan.

Prepare to continue with the Shawwal prayers from 13th to 19th May 2021.

Pray without ceasing (I Thessalonians 5:17 NKJV)

