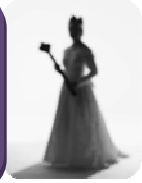


Hadassah Watch

"And who knows but that you have to a royal position for such a time as this?" Esther 4 vs. 14b



WOMEN praying with other WOMEN for WOMEN across the world

We call on all Christian women around the world to take at least 15 minutes every Tuesday morning to pray. We encourage you to mobilize as many women as possible to pray, individually or in groups. Take a few minutes to ponder & pray at each point of the guideline below & be open to intercede as the Holy Spirit leads.

You are welcome to forward this e-mail to as many Christian sisters as possible. Please send us the name of the town and the country in which you reside & let us know what God is doing in your nations! [You are welcome to e-mail us with prayer requests and testimonies.](#) If you did not receive this e-mail directly from us, but would like to, feel free to send your e-mail address to info@hadassahwatch.org

We believe that God has called us as women, to intercede like never before, for His plans and purposes to be accomplished here on earth. Let us not slumber, but pray and call others to pray - for His Kingdom to come...

PONDER THIS...

"Jesus said, "This Gospel of the kingdom will be preached in all the world as a witness to all the nations, and then the end of the age will come" Mt 24vs14

From the 11th of August till the 9th of September 2010 Muslims around the world will take part in Ramadan. Ramadan is the month of fasting for Muslims worldwide. Over the past 18 years millions of Christians united in a special prayer effort to pray for Muslims to experience the love of God as He reveals it through Jesus Christ.

The Messiah is the ultimate hope for a world of peace and justice. Indeed the Bible promises us that one day the earth will be filled with the knowledge of the Lord as the water covers the sea (Isaiah 11:9 and Habakuk 2:4). There will be a new heaven and a new earth in which righteousness dwells (2 Peter 3:13). Pray that the millions of Muslims around the world will discover the living and reigning Messiah who is the true hope of the world. Pray for all the Christian individuals and churches reaching out to Muslims, for boldness and revelation of His will.

NATIONS -Saudi Arabia

Saudi Arabia has the largest share of oil of any nation with over 260 billion barrels of proven oil reserves. The Saudis are currently developing their reserves even further with the addition of the large Khurais and Shayba oil fields. By comparison the United States has only 21 billion barrels of proven reserves and Russia has possibly 60 billion barrels. The Saudis are currently exporting about 12 million barrels of oil per day. The Saudi Aramco Corporation is the world's richest company. A few years ago Saudi Aramco topped the Non-Public company list with an estimated value of \$781 billion USD. The Saudis have developed a huge infrastructure to facilitate the drilling, processing and exportation of petroleum. They have some of the very best technology in the oil industry. Engineers manage the entire operation from the Aramco headquarters command centre, which has banks of computers and even a 3.5 by 65 meter digital display showing all the operations. Every facility and every valve on the pipelines and all operations are centrally controlled. It is interesting to know that the CEO of Saudi Aramco says "oil is a gift from God but the recovery of oil is the work of men." Historically significant numbers of foreign workers and engineers were involved in the oil industry, but now about 85 percent of the official Saudi Aramco work force of 54,000 is Saudi. There are also thousands of foreign contractors. Westerners in Saudi Arabia have become a small minority. Besides Saudi Aramco, there are many other companies working in various aspects of the oil industry throughout Saudi Arabia. Saudis are largely Sunni Muslims, and from their perspective they are all Muslim by birth. Many of them have never had any opportunity to hear a presentation of the Gospel in a way that would incline them to obey the risen Lord Jesus. The Qur'an and the traditions concerning Mohammed are the foundations of Saudi law. Shi'a Muslims are persecuted, but they are permitted to practice their faith in their villages and towns. Proselytizing is not punishable by death, but by jail and deportations (the loss of a job for some is as bad as death). While the Saudi government has not executed anyone for believing in the Messiah, in August 2008 a Saudi believer was martyred at the hands of her brother. He was not imprisoned for the homicidal act. Conversion is forbidden by the Qur'an and the penalty is death.

Pray for the thousands of Saudis involved in the oil industry that they could come "to know the glory of God in the face of Jesus the Messiah" (2 Cor 4:6). Many of them live in the following cities, towns, ports and drilling settlements: Dhahran, Ras Tanura, Jubail, Dammam, Al-Khobar, Hofuf, Abqaiq, Udhailiyah and Shaybah. (Please know that you are among only a small group worldwide who has ever prayed for these cities by name.) Ask the Lord to soften the hearts of these people who are very resistant to the Gospel. Pray that the Lord will raise up believers who are willing to invest long-term service for the people of Saudi Arabia. Pray that the people of Saudi Arabia will receive dreams and visions of Jesus. <http://ramadanprayer.blogspot.com/>

FAMILY

“So you are no longer a slave, but a son; and since you are a son, God has made you also an heir.” Galatians 4 vs 7

Galatians 4:22-25 tells us that Ishmael was born as a result of works resulting in slavery. *Islam* means submission, and a Muslim understands that he is a servant of Allah. While this is also a Biblical aspect of our relationship with God, it is incomplete. As Christians, through Jesus, we know that we move from being servants to becoming sons and daughters, being part of the “family” of believers worldwide. *Pray that Muslims will also understand that God desires for everyone to know Him as children and not as slaves.* <http://www.christiananswers.net/q-eden/muslim-prayer.html>

TESTIMONY

For nearly two years, El-Gohary and his 16-year-old teenage daughter, Dina, have been living in hiding, because he abandoned Islam and embraced Christianity. During this time he has been beaten and forcibly detained, and his daughter has been attacked. *I have a teenage daughter who has never experienced verbal abuse, because we are Christians, not to even mention assault. Dina's story sounds so unreal to us. After reading her story, please lift Dina up in prayer.* Dina lives with her dad in a small, two-bedroom apartment across the street from a mosque on the outskirts of an undisclosed city in Egypt. Her father has taped over the locks, as well as taped shut the inside of all the windows and doors, to guard against eavesdroppers and intruders. He has taped over all the drain holes of the sinks to keep anyone from pumping in gas at night. Even the shower drain is covered with tape. Their porch is filled with rocks and pebbles thrown by area residents who recently learned that he lived here. Dina spends her time reading the Bible, talking to her father or drawing the occasional dress in preparation to obtain her dream job of designing clothes. A reflective youth with a gentle demeanour, Dina is quick to smile. But at a time when her life should be filled with friends, freedom and self-discovery, she is instead confined between four walls. Even going to school, normally a simple thing, is fraught with dangerous possibilities. Dina hasn't gone to school in about a year. She said that the last time she did, other students ridiculed her mercilessly, and a teacher hit her when she tried to attend religious classes for Christians instead of Muslims. Dina and her father fear that she could be beaten, kidnapped and forcibly converted, or simply killed. She can't even go to church, she said. Dina was a little girl when she started hearing about Jesus. Her father used to sit with her and tell her stories from the Bible. He also told her about his conversion experience. Like her father, she cites a supernatural experience as a defining event in her faith. Under Islamic law, Dina is considered a Muslim, because her father was born as one. Like her father, Dina has decided to follow Christ and therefore she is considered an “apostate” under most interpretations of Islamic law. One afternoon last month, Dina was walking to a market with her father. As the two walked, El-Gohary noticed smoke and vapours coming off Dina's jacket. The canvas was sizzling and dissolving. Someone had poured acid over her jacket. El-Gohary ripped her jacket off and threw it away. Luckily, Dina was not physically injured by the attack, but since then, she has been terrified to go outside. As bad as things have been for El-Gohary and his daughter, their dedication is rock-solid. They said they have never regretted their decisions to become Christians. Dina says she doesn't feel like she has a future in Egypt, and she hopes to move to a place where she can get an education. Whatever happens, both El-Gohary and his daughter said they are prepared to live in hiding indefinitely. “There are days that I break down and cry, but I am not giving up,” Dina said. “I am still not going back to Islam.” *Pray for Dina: That when she falls in despair, she will not give up. That she will not feel alone and isolated, but that the Holy Spirit would be her Comforter and Friend. That God would provide in her educational needs. Pray for all Christians in Muslim countries, for God's protection and guidance.* www.opendoors.org.za

Be blessed as you pray & spread the good tidings of the gospel of Jesus Christ!!!

Psalm 68 vs. 11 *“The Lord gives the command; the women who proclaim the good tidings are a great host...”*

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