
Qatar

**Total area:**

11,571 km²

Population:

2,675,522 (2016)

Literacy:

79%

Official languages:

Arabic

GDP (PPP) per capita:

\$145,894 (2017 est.)

Life expectancy:

78 years

Religions:

76% Muslim, 9% Christian, 9% Hindu, 5% Buddhist, 1% other religions

Prayer points

Lebanese Arabs

There are around 43 countries where the Lebanese Arab people are found, with four locations where they remain unreached: Morocco, Qatar, Turkey and the United Arab Emirates. Pray for those living in these countries: that each of them will come into contact with somebody who can introduce them to Jesus. Pray that any potential persecution will not be a barrier to missionaries reaching out to this people group. (WEC International - October 2021)

Coronavirus and its impact on Muslim communities

The coronavirus pandemic has had a huge impact on many Muslim countries, affecting Frontiers workers and those they seek to reach among many of the unengaged Muslim people groups in the world. Muslim communities are suffering from fear, anxiety and loneliness. Many teams have stayed on the field and are encountering unprecedented opportunities to proclaim the gospel, as Muslims ask questions about life and death. Pray that God will use these days of uncertainty to draw even more Muslims to Jesus. Pray that God will sustain and protect workers as they offer comfort to those around them and boldly share the everlasting hope and perfect peace of Christ. (Frontiers - May 2020)

Leaving Islam considered apostasy

Nearly all citizens in this extremely wealthy country are Muslims; the Christian population is largely immigrant workers. The constitution explicitly provides for freedom of worship, and Roman Catholic and Anglican Churches are officially recognised. However, evangelism is prohibited and public worship is only allowed in controlled compounds. Leaving Islam is considered apostasy and converts from Islam face severe persecution. Pray for the protection of the rights of all migrant workers and that the very few Qatari believers would gain access to Christian fellowship. Pray too that Qataris who come to faith abroad would take the gospel back to Qatar. (Open Doors UK and Ireland - January 2011)

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