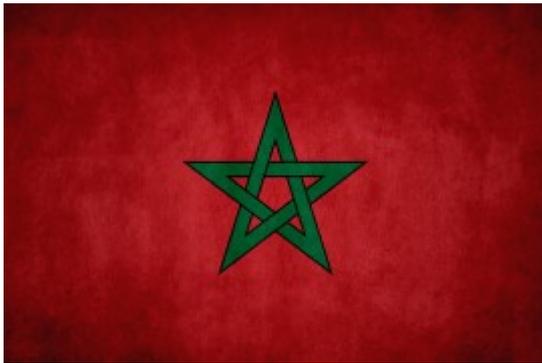


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# Morocco

**Total area:**

446,550 km<sup>2</sup>

**Population:**

33,848,242 (2014)

**Literacy:**

44%

**Official languages:**

Arabic

**GDP (PPP) per capita:**

\$8,194 (2015 est.)

**Life expectancy:**

72 years

**Religions:**

99% Muslim, 1% Christian, <1% other religions

## Prayer points

### Midwifery in Morocco

A midwifery team in Morocco long to see the work expand as there is much need, not only for medical help, but also to draw alongside those who mourn. Some women are terrified to deliver again because of the lack of care they have received in the past. One woman in particular, who is a second wife to an imam, lost her first baby during labour and is now pregnant with her second. The team have had a lot of good conversations with her husband about their faith as they took care of her. Pray for this imam and extended family to discover Jesus. Pray too for the team to see God bring more spiritual births in Morocco. (Arab World Ministry of Pioneers - November 2017)

### Radio faith

In the 1980's radio broadcasting of the gospel in Morocco brought in a lot of interest, particularly from young men, and Bibles were distributed to those who wanted to learn more. Families of believers have since grown out of these roots, working among the Moroccan people, with some of the men becoming leaders of local fellowships. Pray for the fledgling Moroccan church, that believers would grow in boldness and faith. Pray for the leaders to increase their vision for the spread of the gospel. (Frontiers - September 2017)

### Stories of Bahamman

Pray for *Stories of Bahamman*, a puppet show for children that teaches from the Bible about how God wants them to live. The programme is broadcast in Morocco in 15-minute episodes. Aimed at 5-8 year olds, the show deals with different issues children face or need to learn, such as obedience, honesty, cleanliness, good behaviour, looking after the environment, etc. Each lesson is taught by Ba Hamman,

an elderly wise man dressed in traditional Moroccan clothes. At the beginning of each show he presents an issue to the children with a Biblical perspective on the theme using a variety of puppets in different environments. (SAT-7 - May 2014)

### **A harsh sentence**

In September, Mohamed el Baldi, 34, a Moroccan Christian from the town of Ain Aicha near Fes, was jailed for two and a half years and ordered to pay 5,000 dirhams (about £380) for 'shaking the faith of a Muslim'. His sentence is considered harsh: the maximum punishment for evangelism is usually six months in jail. Mohamed, who became a Christian about seven years ago, was detained after his house was raided on 28th August. Propagating Christianity is prohibited by law in Morocco. Pray that God will be close to Mohamed el Baldi during his imprisonment. Pray that God will use him to show other prisoners His great love for the Moroccan people. (Release International - November 2013)

### **Discrimination in the workplace**

Some Moroccan believers have lost employment because of either direct or indirect discrimination. Christian men in particular need jobs in order to marry and establish believing homes. Men with families are often reluctant to share their faith with their wives and children. Please pray for the gospel to spread among families. Pray too for God's people to find work and to be treated justly in their employment. (Arab World Ministry of Pioneers - September 2012)

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