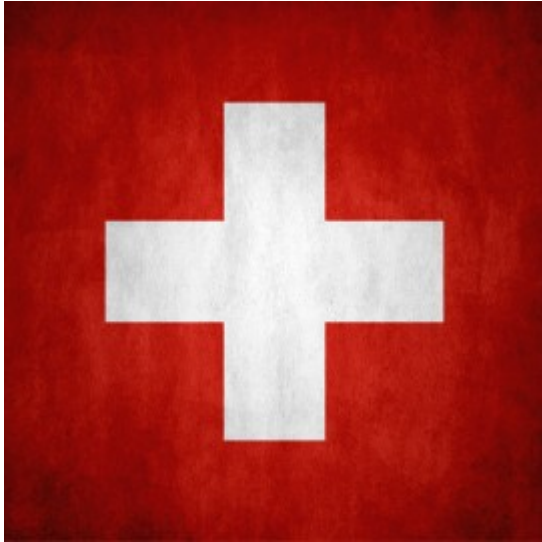

Switzerland

**Total area:**

41,285 km²

Population:

8,401,120 (2016)

Literacy:

99%

Official languages:

German, French, Italian, Romansh

GDP (PPP) per capita:

\$59,150 (2016 est.)

Life expectancy:

81 years

Religions:

42% Catholic, 35% Protestant, 15% Agnostic or Atheist, 4% Muslim, 2% Eastern Orthodox, 2% other religions

Prayer points

Meeting together

In some European universities, there is a growing reluctance to allow Christian groups to meet on campus. In others, just coordinating timetables of students and staff with room availability is a logistics nightmare. Christine Bourgeois, a staff worker for GBU Switzerland in Geneva, had become increasingly aware of these problems. During the spring term she decided to open her home to students, offering a meal and a bible study in a more relaxed setting. These studies have been well attended by students from a variety of backgrounds including many international students. Please pray that Christian students would continue to find the time and space to study God's word together. Pray too that the Swiss educational authorities would continue to accept the presence of chaplaincies on campus - they are currently the only Christian body that is officially recognised by the universities. (IFES - September 2012)