

## Ministering Among Muslims

North America's cities and towns are increasingly becoming multicultural communities. Many North Americans live and work next to people who come from religious and cultural backgrounds different from their own. A significant portion of North America's recent immigrants come from predominately Muslim areas and have carried their faith with them into their new hometowns. This reality presents the Christian Church in North America with a tremendous opportunity – an opportunity to share the Gospel of Jesus with people who have not yet heard it.

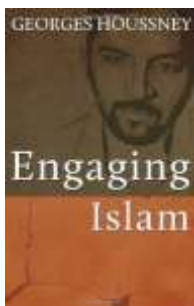
Maybe you have a vision for reaching out to Muslims in your community, but aren't sure where to begin. Or perhaps your church wants to know more about Islam as a whole. Whatever the case may be, Christian Reformed World Missions has found some resources to help your church engage in ministry to Muslims (for a complete listing, visit [www.crwmm.org/muslimministry](http://www.crwmm.org/muslimministry)).



- *Bridges: Christians Connecting with Muslims*  
by Crescent Project

*Bridges*, a DVD adult education curriculum has six hour long sessions on Islam. Viewers explore the similarities between Islam and Christianity and practical tools for

sharing the Gospel with Muslims. The set comes with an accompanying study guide.



- *Engaging Islam*  
by Georges Housney

Using God's love as the ultimate example, Housney explains how Christians are to share the Gospel with Muslims on a personal and practical level. He intersperses his own experiences throughout the book as he explores Islam and how to relate to Muslims.

- 30-Day Prayer Guide  
Ramadan begins on August 1. Download a 30-day prayer guide at [www.30-days.net](http://www.30-days.net) and spend the month praying for Muslims to come to know Jesus as Savior.



A mosque in Liberia

### *The Call of Islam – A DVD*

Of the world's almost seven billion people, some 1.5 billion people follow Islam. Christian Reformed World Missions' newest video highlights the work of ministering to Muslims worldwide. Watch *The Call of Islam* to learn and see how you and your church can engage in ministry among Muslims in the U.S., Canada, and throughout the world. Visit [www.crwmm.org/videos](http://www.crwmm.org/videos) to view the four minute version of *The Call of Islam*. A longer version will be available very soon through the Christian Reformed World Missions office.

## Thanks for Praying

In mid-July, Christian Reformed World Missions Regional Missions Mobilizers (RMMs) working in regions across North America traveled to Grand Rapids, Michigan, for a three-day conference on igniting vision and passion for missions in their regions.

Among many things, the RMMs heard the latest ministry news, shared ideas for encouraging churches to remember and celebrate missions, and enjoyed fellowship together. They even had their own mini Timothy Leadership Training (TLT) session.

Now your RMM is back home and ready and eager to help you and your church dig deeper into missions. Contact your RMM if you want to learn more.

## Nigeria Prayer Mission Trip

Has God placed Nigeria on your heart? This winter, you have the opportunity to take prayer for Nigeria to a whole new level. A prayer ministry trip to Nigeria has been scheduled for January 12-28, 2012. The team will travel to the four main cities where the Nigerian CRC operates – Abuja, Jos, Mkar, and Takum. The prayer team members will learn Nigerian prayer practices and join Nigerians in praying for Nigeria's cities, government, and people as well as the many ministries of the Christian Reformed Church in Nigeria.

Joel Huyser, a World Missions missionary in Nicaragua, testifies to the blessing of a similar prayer team to Nicaragua: "Prayer seemed to break down the us/them barriers . . . The Nicaraguan leaders really appreciated the team and the way they took time to listen to them and pray with them."

The trip costs \$1550 plus airfare. Costs include administrative costs, food, lodging, visa, and trip insurance. Apply by November 1, 2011, through ServiceLink at [www.crcservicelink.org](http://www.crcservicelink.org).

Visit [www.prayermissions.org](http://www.prayermissions.org) to learn more about this opportunity and learn about fall prayer trips to Eastern Europe, Korea, Japan, and Haiti.

## Celebrating New Missionaries

Join Christian Reformed World Missions in giving thanks and praying for new partner missionaries heading out to ministry locations this summer. In July, many of the partners traveled to Grand Rapids, Michigan, for orientation. Praise God for this time of fellowship.



**Back row** (from left to right): Steve Tiesenga, Dale DeWeerd, Jeanine DeJong, Tom Deelstra, Abe Vreeke

**Front row** (from left to right): Tanya Tiesenga, Christina Canché, Melissa Deelstra, Hannah Deelstra, Carol Vreeke

## Reserve the Date!

As your deacons plan offertory schedules for next year, encourage them to remember Christian Reformed World Missions on Pentecost Sunday – May 27, 2012. Take the day to celebrate God's gift of the Holy Spirit so that all may know Him.

## RMM names

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