



Belgium

Serving Among Moroccans

By the Numbers

- Predictions indicate that Islam will grow at a faster rate in Belgium over the next ten years.
- Out of 11.8 million Belgians, 1.1 million are Muslim, representing 9% of the population.
- Brussels is “one of the most Muslim cities in the Western world.”
- A total of 1.2 million people inhabit Brussels; six out of 10 of those inhabitants were not born in Belgium.
- After Dubai, Brussels has the second highest percentage of foreign residents among cities worldwide.

Spread of Islam

Approximately 80% of Muslims now live outside of the Middle East, in countries where they are within reach of the gospel. However, there remain whole communities of Muslims where Jesus is not known. Most have never met a true follower of Christ.

The growing millions of Muslims worldwide are outpacing the vanishing national population of Christ-followers in countries like Belgium. Like many European countries, Belgium is an unreached country with very limited resources or opportunity to reach their Muslim neighbors.

Belgium-based Islamic extremism is highly concentrated in specific locales. Muslims in these districts follow Sharia law and shun outsiders. Building relationships of trust is vital for reaching across social and religious lines. Using a holistic approach with genuine care and concern can overcome many obstacles!

Moroccans in Belgium

Nine percent of non-Belgians in Brussels are from Morocco, making Moroccans the third most present nationality. Within this population, migrants are more likely to be from North Africa than other regions on the continent.

Moroccans are considered a frontier people group, and in Belgium, only .07% are evangelical believers. Belgium itself is only 1.49% evangelical. Both Belgians and Muslims in Belgium would be considered unreached people groups.

The greater Brussels region has the most Moroccans in Belgium and Europe, followed by Antwerp (22.7%), Liège (8.8%), and Charleroi (5.2%). A large majority of Moroccans in Belgium originate from northern Morocco.

In Brussels alone, nearly 800,000 Moroccan Muslims are living without God's hope, and the local church of only a few thousand is in need of international partners to reach them.

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Serving in an Unreached Country among a Frontier People Group

Holistic Ministry

Workers will aim to introduce unreached communities to the love of Jesus, discipling new Christ-followers so that they are well grounded in the Word of God and can effectively lead others to faith.

The truth is that God is already moving among communities such as these. Hearts are being opened as some experience Jesus in dreams and visions, and many more are touched through Bible studies and by meeting authentic Christians. In fact, more Muslims have come to faith in the last few decades than in the past 1400 years! Even so, more workers are needed to grow and expand this ministry.

World Team uses a holistic model of disciple-making. Workers utilize their training and education, as well as their relational and practical skills, to help meet needs within the communities they serve. We also build relationships within Muslim communities through everyday life together.

Our desire is to share God's love through word and deed. By meeting relevant needs, barriers are torn down, affording unique opportunities to find common ground, form relationships, and share the gospel message.

Our relational approach will include serving through a Non-Governmental Organization (NGO), as a marketplace professional, or through Business for Transformation.



Ministry Overview

People	Moroccans
Language	French, Arabic
Location	Belgium
Opportunities	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Holistic church planting alongside networks of local churches and organizations.• Evangelism and discipleship• Visa options require workers to serve as Marketplace workers
Worker Profile	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Ability to work with people from different cultures• Innovative, flexible, teachable, courageous• Good working knowledge of the Bible• Team player• Skills in evangelism and discipleship• Marketplace workers (local employment, NGO, or Business for Transformation)

The world of Islam is prime for the gospel. Muslims are turning away from their religion at an astounding rate, and when they do this, they turn to Jesus. God is giving them dreams and visions. What we need are more workers!

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