# Türkiye

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# Day 27

#### OCTOBER | 2023 PRAYER FOR THIS COUNTRY Praise Report

Praise God for the way the small but growing Church in Turkey came together to respond to the disastrous earthquakes. Pray that this witness of love and unity will bear fruit (The Bible, <u>Colossians 3:14</u>).

#### **Prayer Requests**

Pray for those who are seeking something other than the status quo in Turkey to have supernatural encounters with Jesus and divine appointments with Christians (The Bible, <u>Acts</u> <u>8:26-31</u>).

As there has been increased interest in Christianity in recent years, pray that the Church in Turkey will step up to the challenge of following up interested seekers (The Bible, <u>Deuteronomy 32:2</u>).

## Call to Salvation

Pray for all those who are seeking spiritual truth right now to take the final step to follow Jesus. Pray for a mighty revival to sweep Turkey (The Bible, <u>Psalm 85:6</u>).

Sources:

WIN Christian workers in the region

## MORE ABOUT THIS COUNTRY

Once the land of Paul's missionary journeys, Turkey is now predominantly Muslim. Following a failed coup in 2016, President Erdogan began irradicating anyone deemed to oppose his regime, increasing the atmosphere of state control over the last 7 years. Dozens of long-term Christian missionaries have been deported or refused entrance, however interest in the Gospel among Muslim Turks has soared. Predominantly Syrian refugees that overwhelmed Turkey were a financial and infrastructural burden on the nation. As a result, anti-refugee attitudes have increased in the wider community, though Christian ministry amongst the

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refugees has been fruitful. At the start of 2023, Turkey was devastated by a massive earthquake that impacted the lives of more than 14 million people and resulted in the deaths of more than 50,000 people.

CHIEF OF STATE President Recep Tayyip Erdoğan HEAD OF GOV. PM Ahmet Davutoğlu POPULATION 79,414,000 CHRISTIANS 0.3% **EVANGLICAL CHRISTIANS** 0% DOMINANT RELIGION Sunni Islam PERSECUTION RANKING 41 REFUGEES 1,694,838 LIFE EXPECTANCY 73.55 yrs LITERACY RATE 98.78% POPULATION BELOW POVERTY LINE 16.9%