



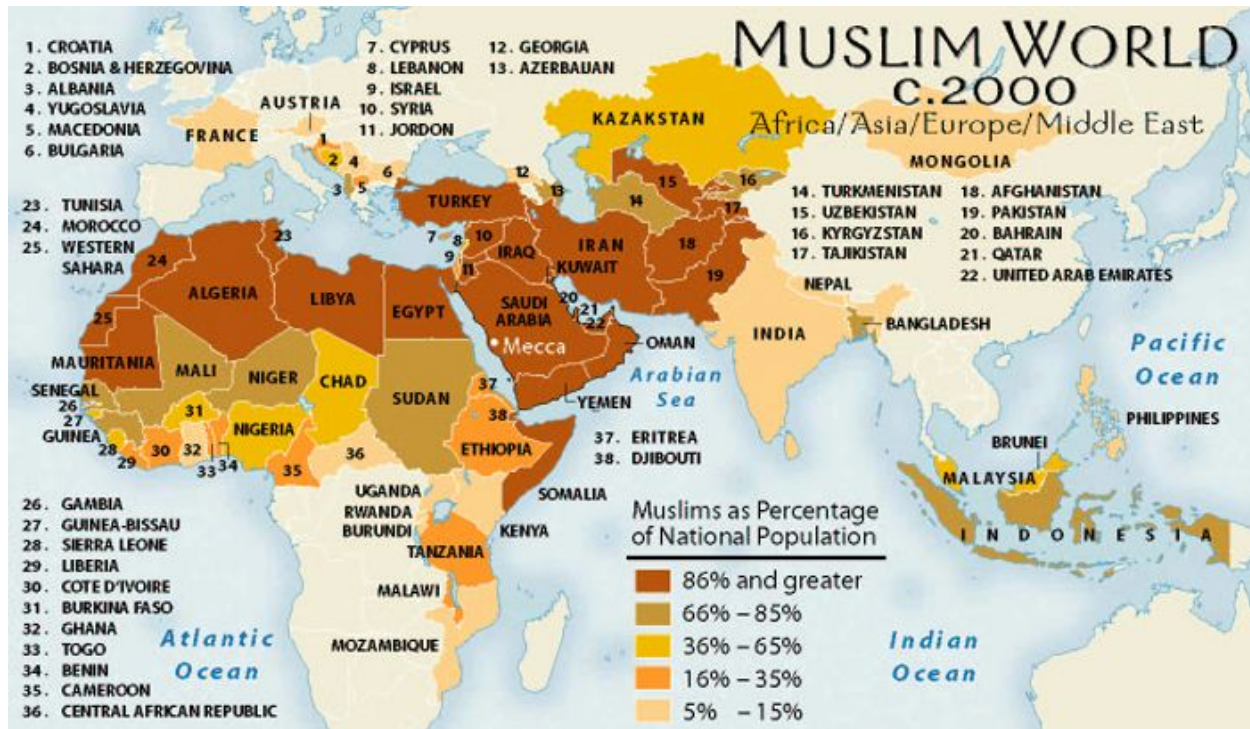
*This map shows the area of Islamic influence as of 750 CE. The religion started in 610 CE.*

**Important locations to know:**

**Mecca** - where Muhammad is from; where he receives his 1st message from God; Where Islam is born

**Medina** - Where Muhammad leads his people to when they felt discriminated against in Mecca; where Islam really starts to get a following

**Jerusalem** - the place where Muhammad takes the “Night Journey”



*This map shows where the main populations of Islam are in the world as of 2000 CE.*

### Timeline of Islam:

- 570 Birth of Muhammad
- 582 Muhammad meets Bahira, a Christian monk, who says he shows the signs of the prophets
- 595 Muhammad marries Khadija
- 605 Muhammad helps rebuild the Ka'ba (it was destroyed many times)
- 610 Muhammad rcvs. 1st revelation from God through the angel Gabriel; Khadija is the first follower of Islam
- 613 Muslims attacked by local polytheistic group the Quarish; 17 years of battles & struggle will follow
- 620 Muhammad goes to Ta-if (near Mecca) to seek protection & followers; it is from here that he takes the al-Isra (The Night Journey) to Jerusalem
- 622 Muhammad est. 1st Islamic nation at Medina & authors Constitution of Medina.
- 630 Muhammad enters Mecca, this time peacefully; the idol worship in the Ka'ba is eliminated; Later this year tribal chiefs from all around the area will come to swear allegiance to Muhammad
- 632 Muhammad receives his final revelation (entry for the Qu'ran); In June Muhammad dies, possibly by poisoning