



# ACTS MINISTRY – Burkina Faso

*“Providing love and hope for mother and child”*

## News from Burkina Feb 2014

### **I bring good news that will be a great joy...**

David Kaboré, pastor and chaplain for ACTS schools, gave the salvation message at the school Christmas celebration and 150 students responded!



His text was taken from Luke 2:10-15. *“...but the angel reassured them. “Don’t be afraid!” he said. “I bring you good news that will bring great joy to all people. <sup>11</sup> The Savior—yes, the Messiah, the Lord—has been born today in Bethlehem, the city of David! And you will recognize him by this sign: You will find a baby wrapped snugly in strips of cloth, lying in a manger.” Suddenly, the angel was joined by a vast host of others—the armies of heaven—praising God and saying, “Glory to God in highest heaven, and peace on earth to those with whom God is pleased.” When the angels had returned to heaven, the shepherds said to each other, “Let’s go to Bethlehem! Let’s see this thing that has happened, which the Lord has told us about.”*

Because the church is too small to hold all the students at one time, ACTS held two services, one for students of Ecole Solidarity primary school and one for College Ezra secondary school students. A salvation appeal was made at the end of each service. In primary school, 100 hands went up for salvation; in secondary school 51 students gave their lives to the Lord.

We are thankful to God for confirming the Word preached by Pastor David. Let us all rejoice with the angels for the new life in Christ for the students.

The words, “don’t be afraid” are important for the students to know. In Burkina Faso, as in other nations where Muslims are a majority, threats of death, dismemberment and at the least rejection by family and community are not idle threats. Students must have confidence in their decision to accept Jesus as Savior and follow Him.

Because Pastor David is responsible for follow up and discipleship, we have good confidence that the students will grow strong in faith. He will be able to counsel them about staying free from harm.

We praise the Lord for their courage and determination to receive salvation. Join us in praying for the students’ spiritual growth and protection from every attack of the enemy.



Students also committed the new school year to the Lord. This year’s verse is Psalm 124: 8: *“Our help is from the Lord, who made heaven and earth.”*

### **Pray for peace**

Please pray regularly for the leaders and country of Burkina Faso as the political situation is heating up. Many people have left the president’s party and have created a new one. On the news recently, one ex-head of state and representatives from Catholic, Evangelical Church and Islam, met together to make a formal declaration for peace and stability in the country. We would really appreciate your prayers at this time. Thank you very much!

### Photos of students

We thought you would enjoy viewing photos of our students.



Abdou on the drums at church



One of the student worship teams

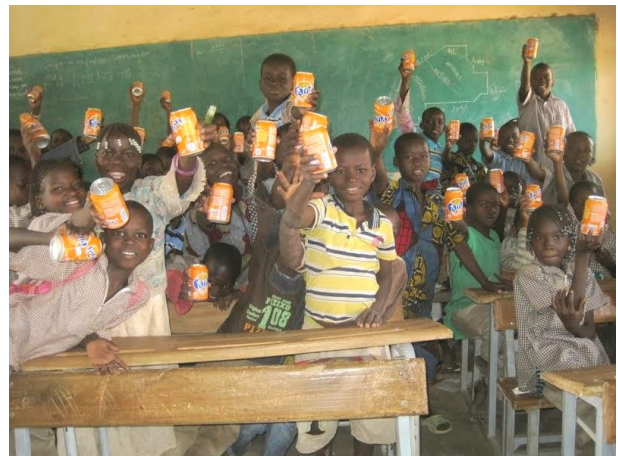


A group of students from College Ezra.

### Thank you for praying

As always we are grateful that you pray and remember our work in Burkina Faso. We know that without your prayers, ACTS would not be able to reach the lost. Know that our staff, students and orphans remember you in prayer.

Some of your names are painted above the doors to the classrooms so that the students will know there are men and women who care for them.



Joyous New Year to you,

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