



ACTS MINISTRY – Burkina Faso

“Providing love and hope for mother and child”

News from Burkina JAN 2016

10th Anniversary 2005-2015

A year of fresh beginnings

We wish you all God’s best at the beginning of this year 2016! May the Lord bless you with health, joy and all good things.

Isaiah 43:18-19

“Forget the former things; do not dwell on the past. See, I am doing a new thing! Now it springs up; do you not perceive it? I am making a way in the wilderness and streams in the wasteland.”

The verse above was shared with the students as motivation for the year at a special Christmas service held at Temple Evangélique El Roi.

Students participated by singing songs in English, French and Mooré. They also recited scripture passages.



During the service the boys and girls sang Christmas songs and after service they received drinks and popcorn and cakes.



But the most important is that the gospel was preached and 52 boys and girls gave their lives to the Lord.



Pastor Nilkiëma, the young chaplain of the school, follows up with students during his discipleship classes. Each class has one hour for religious studies during the week.



The service was at the renovated church. An awning was built around the church for overflow crowds. Inside, a sound booth was added, walls painted, tile put on the floor and the platform was reinforced.



Women's special weaving project

This year we will be working closely with selected group of women in weaving. This project was launched at the women's request because they believe that with ACTS supervision they can do better in this business. For ten days the women attended lessons in making new weaving patterns and how to market their stylish cloth and clothing.



It is our plan to open a store in which the women can show their styles and receive orders. This is a very promising opportunity for the women. Money earned will also assist other women to learn new weaving techniques and good business principles.

Pray for the people of Burkina Faso

As we share these news with you we would like to ask you to remember our country in prayer.

Burkina Faso has been making great strides towards establishing a democracy. There are enemies who wish to destroy what has begun but the Christians are praying and fasting for God's peace to rule in the land. We are praying that all the plots of the enemy come to the light and are stopped. The general population also needs to

change by becoming more aware and pro-active regarding activities going on around them.

For many years, people have been faithful in praying for the



country and with the success of the presidential elections we certainly thought the worst part was over. Then we had terrorists' attacks in which 30 people were killed and 71 injured in Ouagadougou. An Australian missionary couple was kidnapped in other attack in the northern town of Djibo.

Please pray for the following:

- ✓ For the government as it is launching a new security plan for the country.
- ✓ That people in charge of security will be able to identify terrorists before they act.
- ✓ That the work of ACTS, other Christian organizations and the entire body of Christ in Burkina will not be hindered.
- ✓ For the church in Burkina to stand with a good strategy to support young people before they become radicalized terrorists.
- ✓ For meningitis to stop--63 cases have already been diagnosed and the Minister of Health is concerned that an epidemic may become widespread.

Thank you very much for your love and support which are very much appreciated!

As you pray and donate to help the poor you are filling them with love for the Savior and hope for the future. May the Lord bless you abundantly!

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