



# ACTS MINISTRY – Burkina Faso

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

## News from Burkina

### “And the Lord was adding to the church...”

The Lord is adding to the ACTS Morning Star Orphanage in Burkina Faso. We have just received two orphans, brother and sister.



Prisca (4) and Jules (8) need medical care

Jules is in bad shape we have asked appointment with a doctor at the pediatric hospital to evaluate him this week; please pray for the poor little one as we treat him and bring quality of life, lasting joy and future hope to him as we share God’s love.



Wendyam, Wendgoudi and Palingwende

Three boys other boys have been added to the group at the Center. They are from Muslim family but their auntie who came with them and who gave her life to the Lord said she has given them new names:

Lassané is now WENDYAM, which means “god’s will.”

Aziz is now PALINGWENDE which means, “it is not a surprise to God.”

The youngest is WENDGOUDI, which means, “God is my protector.” His mother gave him this name just before she died, so his name has not been changed.

The Lord is working miracles for ACTS to feed the orphans:



ACTS baker Jeromé prepares bread in a traditional oven

- Since last year we have been praying for a local bakery to have bread for the children. With support from Berlin Christian Fellowship, this is now a reality and we are thankful to God for these precious friends who are crying out to God for the orphans. The bakery is a blessing to the whole village and the surrounding community as bread is sent to other places to be sold. This

provides income towards the support of ACTS programs.



Everyone helped to unload donated items from the container

- After 90 days the 40' foot container finally reached ACTS. We are grateful to God and our partners for the donations of food, books, tools, medicine, clothes, and equipment. This expression of love and hope for widows and orphans came from partners: Heaven Sent Ministries, our twin town Hanston, Kansas; partner church in Berlin, Ohio; and friends in Illinois, Michigan and Indiana.



Captain Gabriel of US Army with US Embassy representative, government official and orphans

- Two large crates of donated toys and clothing arrived from US servicemen and women. The US Embassy coordinator who arranged transport to the Center told ACTS Executive Director Joanna Ilboudo:  
*"We have been edified by the good visit to the Center; I visit others who*

*take care of orphans but never found a place so well organized."*

Regular program activities at the Center will suspend for a short time on July 17 to give a break to staff and to the kids. At the end of the month, children will attend a special summer activity. "Hope Camp" is staffed and organized by members of Journey of Faith church in California. Children will learn about HIV/AIDS, take English lessons, have fun and go on a field trip. Please pray for Hope Camp.



Construction is underway on Phase II of the Medical Center

- **Your gifts to ACTS can multiply.** A matching grant has been given to ACTS Ministry to encourage gifts to construct and equip the Ellel Medical Center. **For every \$1 you donate, a foundation will give \$2 to ACTS.** Check the box on the response card to designate your gift for the Medical Center. You can also see information on ACTS website: [www.acts-burkina.org](http://www.acts-burkina.org)

With thanksgiving,

Sharyl J. Sieh  
President USA

Joanna Ilboudo  
Executive Director

Thank you very much for your prayers and faithful support in the ministry because they help us fulfil ACTS' vision:  
*"Bring love and hope to mother and child and contribute in smoothing the pain and sorrow of the poor and restore their human dignity".*

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