



# ACTS MINISTRY – Burkina Faso

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

## News from Burkina

**We thank the Lord for the 75 children out of 341 who attended Camp Hope received Christ for the first time.**

We are thankful to God and to our friends from the Journey of Faith Church in California for leading the activities of Camp Hope at the ACTS orphanage, HOPE CENTRE. They shared their love of children and offered financial assistance to support the camp activities.

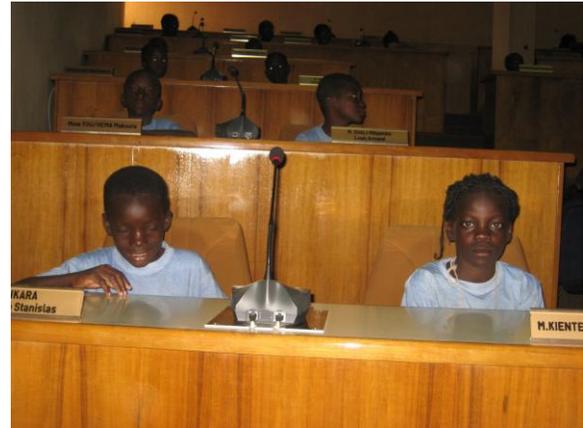


The large number of enthusiastic children was rewarding for the team from California who spent two weeks with ACTS Ministry in Burkina Faso.

Their time was well spent as children learned of their individual worth. As the team ministered, they transformed the lives of the children who attended. Boys and girls expressed their grateful thanks.

As the team departed for the last time, a 10 year old boy named Emma said, **“If our friends from America could stay longer I am sure we would become even more radiant and our vision of the world would be wider.”**

**“Spending time with Americans who loved and cared for us was something I didn’t expect. I never expected a white person to do this for me, a poor child without value.”** said Mariam a girl of 8 years.



Children had an opportunity to sit in the seats of Parliament in the capital city of Ouagadougou.

The time of Camp Hope gave opportunity to the children to visit the Burkinabé Parliament, hear how the government works and sit in the representative’s chairs. They were taken for an afternoon of fun at a Burkinabé-style amusement park. But more importantly they learned about themselves, the world and the Lord Jesus Christ.

As a parting gift, the team built playground equipment at Hope Centre to be used by the orphans. The children are getting much enjoyment from the swings and climbing ladder.



Playground equipment is being put to good use.

Please pray for the 75 children who responded to the gospel for the first time. They accepted Jesus as Savior and will soon be baptized. Please pray for them to become strong Christians as we continue their training.



Children respond to the Gospel message

By the grace of God, the secondary school began in October, 2008 allowing more than 57 students to attend further studies. We are thankful for a compassionate couple who willingly sponsored the studies of 10 orphans. We are praying God blessings on them and what they are doing.

Would you prayerfully consider sponsoring a child in one of the ACTS schools? Sponsorship of approximately £41 a month includes textbooks and other supplies, lunch and uniform.

With the assistance of one US foundation and donors from Burkina Faso, Britain and the US, construction of the Ellel Medical Centre is progressing. Dedication will take place in December. We continue to trust God for everything to be ready for this event. Please continue praying and giving as the Lord directs.

We are grateful to all the cheerful givers and those who we are backing the ministry with their prayers. We are asking the Lord to bless and reward each one for giving into the Lord's Kingdom in Burkina Faso. You are obeying James 1:27 and we are confident that God, who is not unjust, will bless you abundantly.

### Prayer requests

- ✓ The Lord's guidance in all we are doing in order to bring glory to his name.

- ✓ Open doors for finances to continue and expand the work already begun which is a blessing to an increasing number of orphans and widows.
- ✓ Daily provision for the orphans to be fed and also God's protection on their lives.
- ✓ Healing for orphans suffering with HIV and other diseases.
- ✓ A successful school year for those in primary school and secondary school.
- ✓ Completion and equipping of all buildings under construction.



Orphans are given vocational training such as carpentry, sewing and small machine repair and maintenance.

Thank you very much for your continuous, faithful assistance to ACTS MINISTRY in Burkina Faso as we *"bring love and hope to mother and child"*.

Yours very sincerely in Christ,



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