



Church Planting Missionaries in Burkina Faso West Africa

February Prayer Letter

Church Update:



This past month Missionary Keith Shumaker returned from his furlough. He will be taking back over as pastor for the church at Zagtouli. I have greatly enjoyed my time pastoring this church. We were able to see people saved and join the church, as well as many grow in their faithfulness and faith. **During the 6 months that I was pastor we have seen 10 new adults accept Christ and are still coming faithfully to the church,** please pray for these young Christians as they grow in the Lord.

Over the past 8 months, **I have worked diligently to improve my preaching in the French language.** It is very important to be able to speak clearly and correctly when preaching the word of God. **I have preached over 150 times** in the last 8 months and **the Lord has really helped me to become comfortable preparing messages and preaching all in the French.** Although learning to speak French is essential to be able to minister here in Burkina most of the messages that I preached had to be translated from French into at least one other language. In the picture on the right, I am preaching at a school and the message is being translated into Mooré.

Preaching in French:



Next steps of ministry:



This month I will be starting **the next phase of our ministry** here in Burkina. **I have completed my studies in French and now will be going back to language school full time to learn Mooré** (the most widely spoken tribal language here in Burkina). My goal is to be able to finish language school in 8 months and with the 2 most important languages I will be ready to start my first church. During this time I will be seeking the will of God about where to start. Please pray that God will help me to quickly learn the language so we are able to get started planting a new church here in Burkina.

Prayer requests:

- Pray for me as I go back to language school again**
- Pray for the new believers as they begin their walk with the Lord**

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