

# Praise & Prayer

## Winter 2019-2020

### Burkina Faso

- ◆ Pray about the continually deteriorating security situation in Burkina Faso, that God would restore peace. Thousands of people have been displaced by the increasingly frequent and violent attacks by radical Islamic terrorist groups. These attacks target mosques, churches, schools and government military and police outposts. Pray for courage and trust for leaders and members of the Evangelical Mennonite Church in this very challenging environment. Pray for acts of love between Christians and Muslims that show a better way forward.
- ◆ Pray for the proposed Mennonite World Conference Deacons' Commission visit to Burkina Faso in early 2020 to express solidarity and love to Mennonites and the whole society as they cope with increasing violence.
- ◆ Praise God for a successful workshop on economic development, held November 4-8 in Bobo Dioulasso. Pray for the following persons who have been designated to envision and organize economic development on behalf of the Evangelical Mennonite Church: Paul Ouédraogo, Kinani Sourabié, Moumouni Traoré, Nicodème Coulibaly, Cécile Sanou, Simone Ouédraogo, Daniel Traoré, Othniel Dakouo.



Economic Development Workshop



MWC Deacons' Commission

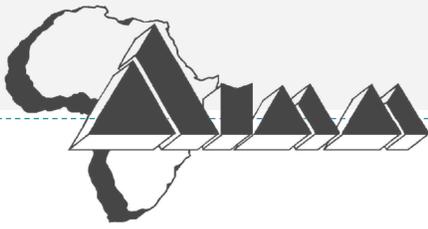


### Angola

Pastor Komuesa, Ambeke Ilonga Jean Claude, Rod, Makanipovi Sebastien Sikonda, Nzamba Bleise

- ◆ Praise God that AIMM's International Central Council decided to begin the process of integrating the Angola Mennonite Churches into AIMM. Pray for the ICC delegation which is preparing to visit Angola to deliver this news- Fidèle Yongo of Mennonite Church of Congo; Antoine Kimbila of Mennonite Brethren Church of Congo; and Jean Félix Cimbalanga of the Evangelical Mennonite Church of Congo. Pray also for the Angolan leaders- Nzamba Bleise of Igreja da Comunidade Menonita em Angola (ICMA); Makanipovi Sébastien Sikonda of Igreja Evangélica Menonita em Angola (IEMA); and Ambeke Ilonga Baby Jean Claude of Igreja Evangélica Irmaos Menonitas em Angola (IEIMA).





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## Sierra Leone

Christ Salvation Mennonite Church  
Newton youth choir

- ◆ Pray that AIMM leaders would wisely discern how best to strengthen Christ Salvation Mennonite Church in its discipleship and development of church leadership. We are hoping for more opportunities to provide teaching and mentorship to leaders in this church.



## DR Congo

- ◆ Praise God for the provision we have been experiencing for the Congo Literacy Project. Pray for project leaders Adolphine Tshiana, Marie Fumana, Jose Mbombo, Joseph Nkongolo and Justice Moshamesu as they work together to plan 2020 activities including regional events for the training of more literacy teachers.
- ◆ Jonas Muyima will be teaching a seminar on Farming God's Way in December. The principles to be taught are ecologically sound and will help farmers using traditional methods to increase their yields. Hope for Congo is sponsoring the participation of 8 persons. Pray that all would arrive safely and that the teaching would be beneficial to all attending.



AIMM ICC consultant, Carlos Romero, works on the search process with ICC members. Leonard Kiswangi is translating.

## AIMM Office

- ◆ Praise the Lord for good meetings of the various Partnership Councils and of AIMM's International Central Council, held in Bobo Dioulasso recently. The ICC worked hard to put into place a committee which will conduct a search over the next year for the next AIMM Executive Coordinator, who will replace Rod Hollinger-Janzen. Committee members are: Siaka Traoré (Evangelical Mennonite Church of Burkina Faso), Kafaire Koy (Mennonite Brethren Church of Congo), Liévin Kalubi (Evangelical Mennonite Church of Congo), Steve Wiebe-Johnson (Mennonite Church USA), and Tany Warkentin (Mennonite Church Canada). The committee will be working with consultants Carlos Romero and Twila Albrecht throughout the process. Pray that their work would be successful and that the Holy Spirit would lead them to the right choice for AIMM Executive Coordinator.
- ◆ Pray for board members and office staff as together we contact donors regarding year-end gifts. Pray that these conversations would be encouraging, and that God will provide what is needed for AIMM ministries going forward.

