
Thank you for the part you play as fellow recipients of living water! Moved by God's Spirit, you faithfully pray for people and ministries that we are stewarding, and God's flow of generosity is enabling you in turn to pass on to AIMM out of the abundance being provided. The gifts of your prayers and finances are essential to ongoing ministries in the AIMM family. We are grateful!

Africa Inter Mennonite Mission

On the last and greatest day of the festival, Jesus stood and said in a loud voice, "Let anyone who is thirsty come to me and drink. Whoever believes in me, as Scripture has said, rivers of living water will flow from within them." John 7:37-38

the Congo Mennonite churches call the project they initiated two years ago, "Evangelization through Literacy."

Aimerance Kabebe (pictured below), a trauma healer and Mennonite Brethren pastor's wife from Uvira in the eastern province of South Kivu in the Democratic Republic of Congo was one of the 16 trainees who gained the skills necessary to train new literacy teachers in July 2019 in Kinshasa. Unlike the other trainees, Kabebe had not spent a year or more conducting her own adult-literacy classes. She came late to the project, which had not reached her territory because there are few Mennonite congregations in the region. But when she heard about it, she immediately knew it was something she needed to do.

At AIMM our desire is to be conduits of the living water that we all receive from Jesus and His Spirit. This living water is not ours to possess or control. It comes from God as sheer gift. We want to drink deeply for ourselves and pass on to others out of the abundance.

Following are some of the ministries in Africa that are being nourished by this living water coming from God's heart and flowing through the AIMM family.

sharing good news

Congo Literacy Project

Well over 200 literacy teachers have been trained from communities across south west Congo, and that number will continue to grow. Their literacy classes, based in local churches, are currently reaching over 3,000 persons, many of whom come from outside the church. On joining the class they hear the Good News of Jesus and see it in action through teachers and classmates as they learn to read and write. Many have made commitments to Christ and have joined the church as a result. Women leaders of



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Kishelele Bible Translation

A team of 8 Bashelele church leaders from several denominations including Mennonite Church of Congo (pictured below), are working to translate the New Testament into the Kishelele language. They have completed a first draft, which they are now correcting with the help of consultants from the Congolese Association of Bible Translators. The hope is for a final version to be ready for printing sometime in 2020. For the first time, the gospel stories will be available in the Bashileles' heart language. We trust that some will be drawn to Christ through this translation, just as it will deepen and strengthen others' faith commitments.



for the Christ Salvation Mennonite Church. Most recently, in August 2019, Siaka Traoré and Steve Wiebe-Johnson led conversations on marriage and family. Pictured right, Siaka Traoré receives a gift of appreciation from Christ Salvation Mennonite Church.



New Generation Scholarships in Burkina Faso

A second generation of leadership is emerging in the Burkina Faso church. Six young men have each benefitted from ministry experiences, and are now adding university level education as further preparation to serve, with the help of partial AIMM scholarships. Issa Outtara and Sidi Traoré have completed two years of a B.A. in theology from Logos University. Othniel Dakuo and Josué Coulibaly are pursuing M.A.s in theology at Logos. Nicodème Coulibaly is completing a B.A. in missiology at the Sahel Institute of Missiology, while Fabé Traoré is completing his second year of a doctoral program in Transformational Leadership at U.A.C.A (Christian and Missionary Alliance University at Abidjan).



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Leadership Training in Sierra Leone

AIMM, in collaboration with the Evangelical Mennonite Church of Burkina Faso and North American partners, is regularly sending teachers to conduct leadership training

income generation to strengthen mission and community

CEFMC Guesthouse

The Mennonite Brethren Church of Congo, in collaboration with AIMM, has undertaken the building of a guesthouse in Kikwit. Begun in 2016, it is nearing completion. The goal is two-fold: to increase Congo-based income to help with the church's ongoing mission; and to create a safe, secure and quality space to house church leaders coming from outside Kikwit for national or regional meetings.



Agricultural Training Center

An agricultural training center is slowly taking shape in Burkina Faso. Plans are underway to create a small dormitory and an open-air classroom along with kitchen and toilet facilities, in a village near Orodara. The proposed center will give future



students access to Arouna Sourabie's farm operations and expertise in gardening, crops and animal raising. The goal is to increase income for Mennonite church members and beyond, fueling the church's mission outreach and nurturing a focus on economic development as part of that outreach.

Please consider making an end-of-life gift to AIMM through your will.

If you have recently sold property or in other ways have had higher than usual income, consider a one-time larger gift to benefit AIMM ministries.

Arouna Sourabie shows a bee skep used for honey production