



Praise & Prayer

November 2022

Angola

- Thank God for the Evangelical Mennonite Church's initiatives to plant new churches in the Lunda Norte, Lunda Sul, and Uige provinces.
- Thank God for raising up new leaders in the Mennonite Church of Angola. This past year four women leaders have started theological training to better serve the church. Pray for energy and focus as they balance family responsibilities with new study opportunities. Thank God for providing the resources to roof the church's primary school building in Luanda during the year. Pray for success as the school carries out its educational mandate.

Burkina Faso

- Thank God for Joseph Sinou and his wife Eve, who provide leadership for the Evangelical Mennonite Church of Burkina Faso's three congregations in Bobo Dioulasso. Pray for God's provision and guidance as they balance graduate studies in sociology and linguistics with their pastoral and family responsibilities.
- Thank God for the Ouagadougou's Mennonite Church's student hostel ministry for college students. The students make up most of the membership.
- Pray for peace in Burkina Faso as terrorist attacks continue to inhibit free movement in many regions and increase the population of internal refugees.
- Pray that having passed the tests of the theoretical training, the two graduates of the Basic Biblical Training School of Orodara will pass the tests of the practical training. To achieve this, they must be inspired by the counsel God gave to Joshua (Joshua 1:1-9).
- This graduation ceremony of the EFBBO students was also an opportunity to give thanks to God for the donation of a well. The well meets the water needs of the students of the school, as well as during seminars and various meetings of the Church.



Eve and Joseph Sinou

Sierra Leone

- Thank God for providing land to build a new church building for the congregation at Six-Mile in the village of Koya, about 27 miles from Freetown. Pray for guidance and wisdom as the congregation gathers the necessary materials and other resources to start construction.



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Participants in International Partnership Council meetings, October 2022

South Africa

- Pray for progress in the Anabaptist Network in South Africa's plans to strengthen the group of churches and ministries that continue to find the Mennonite/Anabaptist heritage to be helpful in their respective ministries. Pray especially for wisdom and creative ideas for Mziwandile Nkutha as he creates spaces for reflection about Anabaptist values among participants.

DR Congo

- Thank God for a strong start to the Mennonite Brethren Village Savings and Loan Projects in Kwenge-Kimafu, Kenge, and Bandundu-City. Pray that God will raise up new pastoral leadership for new congregations that do not yet have pastors.
- Thank God for the missionary efforts of the Evangelical Mennonite Church in Congo. This past year they have started new congregations at Munkamba, Ciaciacia, and Ntembua, all within 90 kilometers of Mbujimayi. The church has lost two important pastoral leaders of the past year: Celestin Kabengela Kavuanda and Laurent Kabeya Kananga. Pray for God's provision for their families and that new leaders will step up to take their places.

AIMM Offices

- Thank God for successful Partnership Council meetings among ministry partners in Sierra Leone, Burkina Faso, Congo, Angola, and South Africa during the month of October. Give thanks for safe travels for church representatives and engaging times of worship and planning for the next year.
- Thank God for the generosity of AIMM donors over this past year. Pray for energy and resilience as staff enter the end-of-year mailing and fund-raising activities.



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