

# Lord's Move to AFRICA



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**CENTRAL AFRICA** comprises 9 countries: Burundi, Cameroon, Central African Republic, Chad, the Republic of Congo, Democratic Republic of Congo (DRC), Equatorial Guinea, Gabon, and the island nation of São Tomé & Príncipe.

Lampstands have been raised up in three of these countries, namely Cameroon, DRC, and São Tomé and Príncipe. There are also saints pursuing the ministry in Burundi and the Central African Republic.



## CAMEROON

No. of localities: 4

No. of saints in church life: 230

No. of saints attending the Table meeting: 120



Saints gathered in Yaounde, August 2022

Cameroon is situated at the crossroads between West and Central Africa, with an area of 475 442 km<sup>2</sup>, and a population of 26 million people. The church life has been established in four cities where there are already lampstands, as well as in three other localities where there are regular gatherings. The saints are meeting physically in their localities as well as seeking more blending in the Body through online platforms.

### Blending online

In June, the saints in the churches enjoyed the online Memorial Day Conference on the subject "Taking the Way of Enjoying Christ as the Tree of Life".

During this time, the French-speaking saints in Cameroon had the opportunity to blend with other French-speaking saints in West Africa and in Europe. Likewise, the English-speaking saints blended with other English-speaking saints in West Africa and in Europe. Following this, on 16 July, the brothers attended the 10<sup>th</sup> session of the Elders and Responsible Ones' Training for the churches in East and West Africa on Zoom. The brothers entered into chapters 28 to 30 in the "Lessons on the Eldership". The brothers will meet again online for the 11<sup>th</sup> session of this bi-monthly training on 17 September.

One week after the brothers' training, we joined the saints in Ghana, Nigeria, Togo, Côte d'Ivoire and Benin for the online Summer Training on First and Second Kings. In addition, from 23 to 28 August, 20 saints joined the online WAPT (West Africa Perfecting Training), which focused this year on the general subject "As in the Days of Noah". The Lord desperately needs us to find grace in His sight for Him to obtain the builded Ark in order to close this age and bring us into the new age, the age of His Kingdom.

## CAMEROON (Cont'd)

May He gain His purpose through many responsive ones in Africa! We also thank the Lord for the tremendous blessings we enjoy in blending with the saints and being trained to live Christ for the fulfillment of God's eternal economy!

### Bible distribution

We praise the Lord for His move in Cameroon during the past months. The saints in Buea have distributed ministry literature in two villages in the south-west region, namely Bombe and Etam. There are some seekers in these two places who are tired of religion and are earnestly looking for a way forward. They have shown great interest in the Recovery Version of the New Testament, and the saints have distributed forty Bibles in this region. We look to the Lord to burden more saints to follow up and shepherd these seekers for His economy.

### Prayer

We have observed a general drop in the saints' participation in online events; for instance, the number of participants in the WAPT trainings has dropped from 89 in 2020 to 20 this year. Participation in the Elders and Responsible Ones' Training also dropped. From the fellowship among the brothers, this decline is due to the fact that many find it difficult to adapt to online meetings and to discipline themselves for online trainings. There has been no major physical blending nationally during the pandemic. We pray that physical events will soon resume, since the threat from Covid-19 has also subsided. We also thank the Lord for the prospect of a scheduled visit by a coworker in November.

We praise the Lord for burdening some saints to pray for His move in the French-speaking countries in Africa. The saints in Africa pray together with brothers and sisters from other countries by meeting weekly via Zoom to cooperate with the Lord for that purpose. Lord, bless Your move in Africa! Only Your blessing matters Lord!



## DEMOCRATIC REPLUCLIC OF CONGO (DRC)

No. of localities: 12

No. of saints in church life: 690

No. of saints attending the Table meeting: 590

The DRC is the second largest country in Africa after Algeria, with an area of 2345 million km<sup>2</sup> (about a quarter of the size of the United States). It has a population of close to 90 million people, the fourth most populous country in Africa (behind Nigeria, Ethiopia and Egypt) as well as being the most populous French-speaking country in the world.



The saints are enjoying the Lord in all the localities on a regular basis. There has been increased fellowship among the saints in Oicha, Goma, Kinshasa (the capital city of DRC) and Mbujiayi (another major city in the country). The Lord has accomplished this through contacts by a Congolese brother living in Brazil. Praise the Lord for the joints of rich supply in the Body! We pray that there can be more such fellowship with saints in the Body. We are also praying for the Lord to open the way for more physical blending and

for the visit of co-workers to strengthen the saints to lead a genuine church life. The saints in DRC need more physical fellowship, especially those in Kinshasa and Mbujiayi.