

Intercessory Prayer Call

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Pray for Our Dedicated Rural Pastors in Africa



Thousands of dedicated men and women are pastoring rural churches in Africa.

Thousands of Assemblies of God pastors minister in the rural areas of Africa.

While Africa is quickly urbanizing, ten's of thousands of Assemblies of God churches remain in rural areas. And thousands of villages remain without any church whatsoever. Rural African pastors face unique challenges such as grinding poverty, lack of resources, want of training, and inadequate medical care for themselves and their families. They daily face the darkness of rampant witchcraft and Islamic radicalism. Many struggle to provide their children with a good education.

Yet, in the midst of these challenges, these pastors faithfully preach the gospel and care for the people in their churches and villages. This month, we will focus our prayers on the dedicated Assemblies of God pastors of rural Africa. They are true heroes of the faith.

—Dr Denny Miller, Director, Acts in Africa Initiative

Pray for Africa's Rural Heroes

Please join us in prayer for the following:

Pray that God will pour out His Spirit on each of the thousands of rural Assemblies of God pastors in Africa.

Pray that the Spirit will anoint them to challenge the dark forces of paganism and witchcraft that they face daily.

Pray that God will give them a zeal and a plan for reaching the unreached villages in their areas.

Pray that God will supply all of their needs according to His riches in glory by Christ Jesus (Phil. 4:19).

Pray for their families that God will give them health and protection from harm and disease.

Country Prayer Focus May 2016

Please pray that God will pour out His Spirit on each of the following countries, and that He will guide leaders as they mobilize their churches to reach the lost in the power of the Holy Spirit. (Note: By following this country prayer focus you will pray for every country in Africa in one year.)

- Federal Republic of **Ethiopia**
- State of **Equatorial Guinea**
- Republic of **Kenya**
- Republic of **Mozambique**

Africa's Unreached Ethne: *The Yao of Southern Africa*



Yao woman

More than 3 million Yao live in the southeastern African countries of Malawi (2 million), Mozambique (600,000), and Tanzania (487,000). Many more Yao are scattered throughout Southern Africa. Less than 1% profess Christ as Savior.

Long ago the Yao converted to Islam as a result of their alliance with the Swahili-Arab traders of East Africa. They cooperated with them in trading ivory, guns, cloth and slaves captured from neighboring tribes. As a result they became known pejoratively as "those people" by people from other tribes. In recent years the Malawi Assemblies of God have planted churches among the Yao, but much more needs to be done.

Pray that God will pour out His Spirit on the Yao enlightening their hearts to the gospel. **Pray** to the Lord of the harvest will send faithful laborers to live and work among the Yao. **Pray** for the Assemblies of God churches of East and Southern Africa that they will send missionaries to these very lost people.

Upcoming Decade of Pentecost Events

Please join us in committed prayer that God will pour out His Spirit on these upcoming Decade of Pentecost events:

- **Guinea Conakry Acts 1:8 Conference** (September 13-18, 2016)
- **Sierra Leone Acts 1:8 Conference** (September 20-25, 2016)
- **Ethiopia Acts 1:8 Conference** (November 8-13, 2016)