

BENIN ASSEMBLIES OF GOD ACTS 1:8 DECLARATION

Having Received the challenge during the West Africa School of the Spirit , held at Lome, Togo, the Leaders of the Assemblies of God of Benin made the following decisions.

- To guide the Assemblies of God of Benin in a Holy Spirit Revival; and
- To participate in the mission of God through the multiplication of churches;

We, the delegates attending this Acts 1:8 conference, make a commitment to affirm the desire of our leaders in this effort to guide the church to experience a revival in the Holy Spirit and the multiplication of churches.

We also agree to do our best to reach the following goals between June 2009 and December 2011:

- Have at least 80% of our members baptized in the Holy Spirit.
- Each section to plant three missionary churches a year (24 x 3x 2= 144 Churches)
- Each local church take the initiative of planting at least one church(150 Churches).
- Support and Send at least 2 foreign missionaries
- Increase the number of home missions from fourteen (14) to twenty five (25).

Also, we agree that the Missions and Evangelism Committees, directed by the President supervise the implementation of the following activities to insure that our goals are met.

- Organize events for prayer and fasting for Mission and Spirit-empowerment
- The sections and local churches carry out evangelism and church planting campaigns under the advice of the Missions Committee
- Organize National Conference on the Holy Spirit.
- Organize an annual School of the Spirit for Pastors, Pastors' wives and leaders.
- Designate the month of May as the Spirit-empowerment Emphasis month
- Raise funds for church planting and missionaries by insisting that every level of church structure set apart 10% in their budget for missions and persuade members to contribute 25 Francs every week for mission activities.
- Ensure that new converts in the new churches are being discipled, filled with the Holy Spirit and participating in God's mission to evangelize our country and the world.

In addition, we have decided that the Missions Department work in partnership with the Section Leaders to identify places for church planting. Finally, we have decided that each Section and local church establish church planting teams, with the purpose of ensuring that there is a continual experience of prayer, fasting, the planting of other local churches and the sensitiveness to the Holy Spirit by both the local church and the section.

May God in His grace help us.