

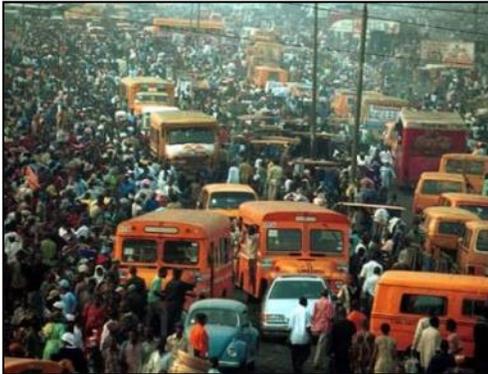
# Intercessory Prayer Call

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## Pray For Africa's Growing Mega-cities



Street scene in Lagos, Nigeria, Africa's largest city. Lagos, with a population of 11.7 million, is growing by 500,000 people each year..

By the millions, rural Africans are immigrating to the cities. According to a report by the United Nations Human Settlements Program (UN-Habitat), Africa's urban population will triple in the ten years from 2010 to 2040. As a result, by 2040, one billion people will live in Africa's burgeoning mega-cities.

People are moving from Africa's villages to the cities in search of better lives. However, more often than not, they end up trapped in squalid slums where they find only poverty, pain, and social inequality. Says *The Economist*, "To become livable, Africa's cities will have to improve public transport, address rising violent crime, and generate opportunities for young Africans." More than half of Africa's city-dwellers are under 18 years of age. The six largest cities in Sub-Saharan Africa are Lagos (11.7 million), Kinshasa (9.9 million), Abidjan (4.5 million), Khartoum (5.7 million) Luanda (5.5 million), and Johannesburg (3.8 million).

These cities are strongholds of sin and depravity. And yet, they also represent places of great kingdom opportunity. The millions of displaced people in Africa's cities are very reachable with the hope-giving gospel of Christ. This month we will intercede for the mega-cities of Africa. Please use this prayer guide to join us in praying each day for Africa's teeming mega-cities. —Dr Denny Miller, Director, Acts in Africa Initiative.

### Interceding for Urban Africa

**As you pray, believe God for the following:**

- Pray for an outpouring of the Holy Spirit on the great cities of Africa.
- Pray for the millions of immigrants seeking for better lives in the cities of Africa.
- Pray especially for those from unreached people groups who have emigrated to the cities.
- Pray for the missions agencies of our Africa AG churches that God will give them a passion and a strategy for reaching their cities.
- Pray to the Lord of the Harvest that He will raise up church planters to plant thousands of Spirit-empowered missionary churches in Africa's mega-cities.
- Pray for pastors of local churches that God will move on their hearts to plant churches in their cities.
- Pray for the funding and other resources needed to enable church planters to reach Africa's cities.
- Pray for the Assemblies of God World Missions (Africa Office) as they target Africa's mega-cities.

### Country Prayer Focus January 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. By following this country prayer focus you will pray for every country in Africa in one year.)

- Republic of **Senegal**
- Republic of **Sierra Leone**
- United Republic of **Tanzania**
- State of **Libya**

### Africa's Unreached Ethne: *The Kuranko of Sierra Leone and Guinea*



Almost one half million Kuranko people live in Sierra Leone and Guinea. Only about 3% know Christ as Savior.

More than 350,000 Kuranko people occupy the isolated mountainous regions of northern Sierra Leone. About 100,000 more live in neighboring Guinea. According to the Joshua Project, only 3.5% of the Kuranko know Christ as Savior. Although some practice Islam, most have held to their traditional African religion and culture, including various forms of witchcraft. Their lives are dominated by the fear of evil spirits.

**Pray** that God will move by His Spirit upon the Kuranko people. **Pray** that He will place within their hearts a hunger to know the true and living God. **Pray** to the Lord of the harvest that He will send laborers to the Kuranko people. And **pray** for the efforts of the Assemblies of God churches in Sierra Leone and Guinea as they reach out to these very precious, yet 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:

- **Ethiopia Acts 1:8 Conference.** Jan.26-31, Awasa, Ethiopia
- **AAGA Executive Meeting.** Feb. 23-24, Dar es Salaam, Tanzania
- **CAR Acts 1:8 Conference.** Mar. 9-13, Bangui, Central African Republic.
- **Kisangani Acts 1:8 Conference.** Dates pending