

# August 2023 Update: *Income-generating Projects for Pastors (Senegal)*



Funds were raised by CF in December 2022 to start 9 income-generating projects for pastors in Senegal. A tenth project was funded by another Mission Inter Senegal (MIS) partner church (Lake Murray, CA). The projects funded through CF are listed below.

- **2 Chicken projects:** Pastor Thiamane (Boyard,) Pastor Ndong (Ndiomdiome)
- **3 Sheep projects:** Pastor Senghor (Ndiagamba), Pastor Diouf (Yargouye,) MIS (Ourossogui)
- **3 Cattle projects:** Pastor Sarr (Djilass), Pastor Diafatte (Ndoutky), Pastor Ndiaye (Ourossogui)
- **1 Rental Business:** Pastor Diouf and Women’s Association (Langomack)

The chicken projects have a 30-45 day cycle from purchase of chicks to slaughter and selling of chickens for meat. The sheep and cattle fattening projects have a 4-month cycle time from purchase to selling in the market. Each of these projects started by the end of March. The sheep and cattle projects completed their first 4-month cycle by the end of July. The chicken projects have had multiple cycles in this same period.

Seven of the nine projects were profitable in this start-up period. The average monthly net-profit for the seven projects was \$200 per month. This is a very encouraging start considering these are the first projects for this group of pastors. Profits are also projected to increase in years 2-5. In the United States, the failure rate for start-up businesses is 90%. First time business owners have a success rate of only 18%. 40% of start-up businesses become profitable in the third or fourth year.

Discussions are underway regarding the two projects that were not profitable to learn from their mistakes before starting the second cycle.

The chicken project for Pastor Ebine Thiamane is an amazing success story. Since March he has completed 4 cycles and has averaged a net profit of \$360 per month. Here is a quote from Pastor Ebine,

*“My family and I have lived five exceptional months with the chicken project which has significantly increased our monthly income. May the Lord provide other projects in support of pastors.”*

This month, Pastor Ebine used some of the income from his project to install a fence around his field (See the pictures below, 1.3 hectares - more than 3 acres). This will allow him to turn this field into a garden/farm, providing more income for his family and the church. His prayer is that the well(s) he will soon dig will provide fresh water.



Below is a report summarizing the profit/loss for each project for the period of March through July 2023.

**1. Pastor Ebine Thiamane (Boyard) – Chicken project**

Net Profit Cycle #1: 230,750 cfa, Cycle #2: 266,400 cfa, Cycle #3: 236,600 cfa, Cycle #4: 322,900 cfa  
Total profit to date: 1,056,650 cfa (\$1,821 or \$364/month)



**2. Pastor Ngor Ndong (Ndiodiome) – Chicken project**

At the end of the first cycle, Pastor Ngor broke his arm and paused the project until his arm heals.  
Net-profit Cycle #1: 520,250 cfa (\$897 for 3 months or \$299/month)



**3. Pastor Samuel Diafatte (Ndoutki) – Cattle project**

Net-profit Cycle #1: 245,200 cfa (\$423 for 4 months or \$106/month)



**4. Pastor Demba Ndiaye (Ourosogui) – Cattle project**

Net-profit: Cycle #1 – 246,800 cfa (\$425 for 4 months or \$106/month)

We have not met Pastor Demba yet. His village is in northern Senegal. He is also managing the MIS sheep project (#5 below).



**5. MIS Income project (Ourosogui) – Sheep project**

Net-profit Cycle #1: 456,000 cfa (\$786 for 4 months or \$197/month)

**6. Pastor Mbaye Diouf (Yargouye) – Sheep project**

Net-profit Cycle #1: 365,875 cfa (\$631 for 4 months or \$158/month)



**7. Pastor Moussa Diouf and Women’s Ministry of Longomack – Rental Business**

Net-profit: 200,000 cfa (\$345 for 5 months or \$69/month)

The women provide a rental service for weddings, funerals, naming ceremonies, etc. They rent large tents, post and all cooking utensils, chairs, mats, etc.



**8. Pastor Pierre Senghor (Ndiagamba) – Sheep and Cattle project**

Net-profit Cycle #1: **Loss of 427,000 cfa (\$736 for 4 months or \$184/moth)**

The reason for the loss was due to not selling 2 sheep and 1 cattle this cycle.



**9. Pastor Jean Claude Sarr (Djilass) – Cattle project**

Net-profit Cycle #1: **Loss of 331,000 cfa (\$517 for 4 months or \$142/month)**

The reason for the loss was due to higher food costs and poor budget management.



Pray for the continued success of each project as the pastors prepare for the next cycle of business.

CF and Mission Inter Senegal will be meeting in September to discuss how to allocate the remaining balance of funds for possible church renovation projects and/or additional income-generating projects for pastors.