

Jesus is Building His Church!

Through your generous gifts in 2022 and 2023, fourteen new churches were constructed in less than 18 months in partnership with Mission Inter Senegal (MIS). These churches, and many more across Senegal, are spiritually alive! Most have a culture of prayer, commitment to the Word, evangelism and making disciples. They desire to grow in the Word so that their congregations will be strong and equipped to reach their communities for Christ.



Poultok – 80 believers



Koboran– 45 believers



Mboyene – 100+ believers

In addition, funds were raised to support ten income-generating projects for pastors in 2023. The goal is for these pastors to be able to support themselves so that they may continue serving fulltime in the gospel ministry to which God has called them. Projects were initiated in March/April of this year and the pastors are just now beginning to reap the benefits from a variety of chicken, cattle and sheep projects.

Where is Senegal?



Senegal is located on the western tip of sub-Saharan Africa. It ranks 35th among the poorest nations in the world with half of its population living below the poverty line. Even though it is a majority Muslim nation (95%), there is a culture of peace and freedom of religion. 60% of the population is under the age of twenty-five so the doors are open to reach the next generation for Christ. A powerful movement of God has been sweeping across Senegal in recent years within its churches and in the hearts of the unsaved. A growing number of churches are developing a vision to extend the gospel to the borders of Senegal and beyond.

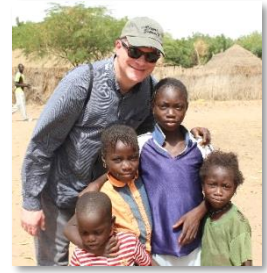
Partnering for the Gospel since 2005!

CF has partnered with Mission Inter Senegal (MIS) since 2005. The mission of MIS is to take the Good News of Jesus Christ into the unreached areas of Senegal and plant churches that are autonomous, self-sufficient and self-reproducing. MIS is actively engaged in more than 80 villages with plans to expand its focus throughout the country. Through the MIS Adopt-A-Village program, we also partnered with the church in Baback in 2005. This church of 60 believers was planted in 2002 in a very difficult Muslim region. Initial support for Baback involved socio-economic projects that impacted the entire village (i.e., fresh water, medical clinics, support for the local school, mosquito bed nets, emergency food supplies). In addition, we financially supported the pastors and funded income-generating projects (church garden and livestock projects) that enabled the church to become self-sustaining in 2019. The church in Baback has helped plant four additional churches in the past 15 years.



Outreach through Child Sponsorship

A dynamic child sponsorship program has grown since 2010 with 90 children currently sponsored in Baback and 70 children in the village of Ngalagne. We are trusting the Lord to add 25 children to the program this fall. Our sponsors fund education, medical, nutrition and spiritual development for the children and their families. In addition, *The Light of the World Christian School* was started in 2020 as an extension of the Child Sponsorship program. This fall, more than 200 students will be enrolled from Preschool through 6th grade. More than 90% of the children attending the school come from Muslim families. CF has funded the construction of 6 classrooms in the past three years. In July, 95% of the students advanced to the next grade level compared with less than 50% from the government school in the village. Over the past ten years, more than 40 children have trusted Christ as Savior through this outreach. If you'd like to learn more about sponsoring a child, search for *Senegal Child Sponsorship* under Affinity Groups on your Church Center App.



Our Extended Church Family in Ngalagne

Our village adoption with MIS shifted from Baback to Ngalagne in 2018. Francois Sene pastors this growing church of 40 believers. God had been preparing the hearts of many in this village dating back to 2012. The chief and elders are very supportive of the small group of Christian families. CF funded the construction of a classroom for literacy training in 2019 followed by a church building in 2020. Income generating projects have been initiated to enable the church to be self-sustaining by the end of 2024. The church is reaching out to a number of nearby villages. The chief of Ngalagne, Ousmane Ndiaye, said that peace came to the village once the church was started. His brother also trusted Christ last year! We will send a team to Senegal in February 2024 hosted by Mission Inter Senegal to support outreach efforts and encourage the churches in Ngalagne, Baback and other villages.



Equipping of Pastors and Leaders through Global Training Network

CF commissioned Pastor Mike and Jill Edelman in 2021 as US-based missionaries serving with GTN in support of our kingdom focus in Senegal. God has graciously directed GTN to establish multi-year equipping partnerships with ten associations of churches throughout Senegal in the past 2.5 years. These pastors and leaders have no access to affordable biblical training. It is exciting to see local pastors who have been trained now teaching their congregations and other leaders (2 Timothy 2:2). GTN has five trips planned for 2023 and 2024 plus online conferences via Zoom to support the equipping and encouraging of pastors and leaders across Senegal.

