

PRAY FOR: BURKINA FASO



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The rise – or arrival from elsewhere – of radical jihadist Muslim groups, now mostly part of Jama’a Nusrat ul-Islam wa al-Muslimin (JNIM), has brought great turmoil to Burkina Faso. Both Christians and Muslims have been targeted and murdered by these Islamist groups. Over 2 million people have been displaced and at least 20,000 killed. These attacks, combined with existing ethnic tensions, rebel groups, and political instability, led to not one but two military coups in 2022. In December 2024, the military ruler removed the Prime Minister and dissolved the entire government. Burkina Faso is seen as a strategic key in the region and a global epicentre for terrorism. Pray for God to restrain those with wicked ambitions and intentions. Pray for wisdom and courage for the nation’s leaders, and for faith and fearless love for Christians in this land.

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The power of the spirit world has not been broken. Some people say that the population is “50% Muslim, 20% Christian, and 100% animist”! Idols, charms, and secret societies have more control in Burkina Faso than in most West African countries. The occult shows its power even in some churches. The strongest animist groups live in the west and southwest. Pray for the risen Christ to demonstrate His power and set many free. Pray for Christians to demonstrate the power and authority of the name of Jesus and to live out holy, blameless lives in His name.

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KEY STATS

Continent:	Africa
Capital:	Ouagadougou
Population:	24,075,000
% Urban:	33.8 %
Population Under 15 Yrs:	45 %
Official Language:	French, spoken by a minority of the population. Trade languages Moore (the Mossi language), Jula in south and west
Languages:	71
Literacy Rate:	36 %
Life Expectancy:	59.3 yrs (222/236)
HDI Ranking:	184 / 189
% Christian:	20.7 %
% Evangelical:	8.9 %
Largest Religion:	Muslim
% Largest Religion:	52.2 %
People Groups:	77
Least Reached People Groups:	27
% Unevangelized:	31 %
Persecution Ranking:	16 / 50

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