
Ghana

**Total area:**

238,535 km²

Population:

27,043,093 (2014)

Literacy:

72%

Official languages:

English

GDP (PPP) per capita:

\$4,650 (2017 est.)

Life expectancy:

64 years

Religions:

54% Protestant, 20% Muslim, 15% Catholic, 11% indigenous religions, <1% other religions

Prayer points

Gonja people of Ghana

This group of people in northern Ghana faces daily poverty, shortages of water and food, and few opportunities for schooling and employment. In this primarily muslim culture, the few followers of Christ need to be discipled, learn good farming methods, and be taught to read. Pray for workers to come from elsewhere in Africa, and for financial and audio resources to build the Church among the Gonja. (WEC International - October 2021)

Wala people of Ghana

The Wala people group are part of the wider Lobi-Wala group. The Wala people are only found in Ghana and number 103,000. Though their culture includes animistic beliefs, most of the Wala people have taken on the majority religion: Islam. The New Testament exists in their language but many have yet to read it or become Christians. Pray for a clear gospel message to open more eyes and hearts to receive Christ. Ask the Holy Spirit to grant wisdom and favour to missions agencies focusing on the Lobi-Wala. (WEC International - March 2021)

Dagomba in Ghana

We have been praying for the Dagomba children from the local neighbourhood. Since their schools have been closed, they have been spending their days at the conference and training centre with our workers. Thank God for opportunities to share Bible stories with them. Pray with us that the seeds sown will take root in their lives. (WEC International - August 2020)

Gonja people of Ghana

This group of 369,000 people in northern Ghana faces poverty, regular shortages of water and food, and few opportunities for schooling and employment. In this primarily muslim culture, the few followers of Christ need to be disciplined, learn good farming methods and be taught to read. Pray for workers to come from elsewhere in Africa, and for financial and audio resources to build the Church among the Gonja. (WEC International - July 2020)

Radio outreach

Due to the COVID-19 crisis, many African governments have now closed down public gatherings, including churches. Many Christian radio stations are providing free airtime to pastors; radio dramas are being produced for oral cultures on the topic of the prevention of the coronavirus; some are setting up helplines for their communities to help the most vulnerable. One partner station has opened up airtime to the Muslim community to give advice to their followers, not allowing them to preach Islam but as a way of showing love to the whole community. Pray that many people will witness these as salt and light and begin a journey with Christ. (Reach Beyond - May 2020)

Petition for Atewa Forest

The petition appealing to the President of Ghana to save Atewa Forest has gained over 13,000 signatures. Please pray that the Ghanaian Government would see that forest's value far exceeds any economic benefit that could be gained from bauxite extraction and that they respond to protect this globally important site, as it provides a habitat for many thousands of species and a clean water supply for millions of Ghanaians. Please pray too for wisdom and protection for our colleagues in Ghana as they publicly raise support for this campaign. (A Rocha International - February 2019)

No other name

A devout Muslim, Laminu, never thought that he would have a relationship with Jesus. Who was he and why would Laminu want to know him anyway? He found the answers to these questions through reading the New Testament in his own language, Konni. Laminu enrolled in literacy classes, and only bought the Konni New Testament to practice his reading. He was struck by the story of Lazarus being raised from the dead after four days, and wanted to know more about the man that could do this. Laminu was convinced to accept Jesus as his Lord and Saviour when he reached Acts 4:12: "Salvation is found in no one else, for there is no other name under heaven given to mankind by which we must be saved." Pray that more language groups in Ghana will be reached with the Bible in their own language and be transformed by Jesus. (Wycliffe Bible Translators - May 2018)

Bible Listening Clubs

"I had been living in a very hostile environment for over 15 years. Our village had been divided into two factions based on chieftaincy titles. We could never come together to build anything for ourselves. When the Bible listening group started, the Chief announced that it was for the whole community so all of us attended. As we listened to the Bible and discussed among ourselves a certain bond begun to form among us. We also realised through God's Word that we are all children of God. There is joy, peace and harmony in our village today." Pray for more communities to be transformed through Theovision's Bible Listening Clubs across Ghana. (Reach Beyond - March 2016)

A vision to reach the lost

Ghana enjoys a rich Christian tradition with the emergence of many new churches, a good number of which are taking up the challenge of reaching the unevangelised in their midst. The number of indigenous Christian radio stations is also growing with a vision to reach the lost. Pray for the newest radio station in Ghana, *Beyond FM* in Nkwanta, as they begin daily broadcasts of community programming with gospel content. (Reach Beyond - July 2012)