
Senegal

**Total area:**

196,723 km²

Population:

15,589,485 (2016)

Literacy:

33%

Official languages:

French

GDP (PPP) per capita:

\$2,732 (2017 est.)

Life expectancy:

59 years

Religions:

94% Muslim, 5% Catholic, 1% indigenous beliefs

Prayer points

Mandingo/Mandinka people

Indigenous to West Africa, the Mandinka number over 2 million. Some progress has been made in mission to the Mandinka: they have a complete Bible, for example, but they are still unreached - especially in Senegal where less than 1% of them are Christians. Praise the Lord for access to the Bible, and pray that these people will hear the good news. (WEC International - December 2021)

Radio outreach in Senegal

Just a few years back the first Christian radio station was planted in Senegal with the help of Reach Beyond and their audience has been steadily building ever since. We are now preparing to send 300 solar powered radios and audio Bibles to this station as they have a new strategy to use these radios to help with Discovery Bible Study and Discipleship groups. The radios are pre-tuned to the Christian station and will be in great demand. Please pray for many to hear about Jesus for the first time through these radios, and for the station to be encouraged as they see their ministry expand and bless new believers. (Reach Beyond - March 2021)

Soninke people

The Soninke peoples live in countries in West Africa, in France and in the USA. Their main religion is Islam and these 2.7 million people only have portions of the Bible in their language. Pray for the translation work, which is still in progress. Pray for Christians to serve among them for the long term, and for resources via radio and the internet to be used effectively to share the good news of Jesus. (WEC International - April 2021)

Mandinka people in Senegal

Indigenous to West Africa, the Mandinka people number around two million. In Senegal, fewer than 1% of them are Christians, as the predominant religion is Islam (98.8%). Pray that many more Mandinka will hear the good news and come to know Jesus. (WEC International - October 2020)

Trained to beg

In Senegal, West Africa, at least 50,000 children are trained by teachers at Qur'anic schools to beg for money on the streets. Children in these schools often live in 'slave-like' conditions, begging for up to 10 hours a day and then handing over what they have earned to their teachers. Pray for an end to this practice, not only in Senegal but in other Muslim communities where it is also taking place. Pray that God would move in power in these situations and that He would open the eyes of government and community members so that this would be prevented from continuing. (Viva - September 2010)

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