

MEET THE MISSIONARY TEAM

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Central Africa



"A HEALTHY CHURCH WITHIN WALKING DISTANCE OF EVERY AFRICAN. BY EMPOWERING MISSIONARIES, EQUIPPING NATIONAL CHURCHES, AND ENGAGING THE UNREACHED."

Central Africa includes the countries of Cameroon, Central African Republic, The Republic of Congo, The Democratic Republic of Congo, Equatorial Guinea, Gabon, and Nigeria. As Area Director, Mike and Kari lead all our missionary teams within these countries, helping shape the strategy for planting, nurturing, and partnering with the church. They aim to empower missionaries to be used by God wherever He has placed them, equip the national church to carry out the vision God has given them, and engage the places where communities are without access to the church. Everything is connected to our vision to see a healthy church within walking distance of every African.



Interesting Facts about Central Africa

- *comprises 30% of the population of Africa but has only 10% of the AGWM Africa missionary force.*
- *Home to the two largest cities on the continent; Lagos, Nigeria and Kinshasa, DRC.*
- *Home to 87 unreached people groups. The Hausa of Nigeria and Fulfulde from Cameroon are two of the largest.*
- *Nigeria is the largest country in Africa in terms of population, over 230 million.*

Strategic Prayer Needs:

More missionaries - We need missionaries to work in the areas of kids, teens, universities, compassion, urban church planting, pastoral training, unreached peoples.

Peace and stability - Northern Nigeria and Northern Cameroon are plagued by Islamic extremism. Central African Republic is unstable and dangerous for foreigners. Eastern DRC continues to be plagued by rebel groups.

Complex situations - Along with the political instability, many countries have complex working environments. It would be unwise to send new missionaries into these places alone. Pray for mature missionary teams to be raised up for entry into these complex situations.