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**Cameroon**

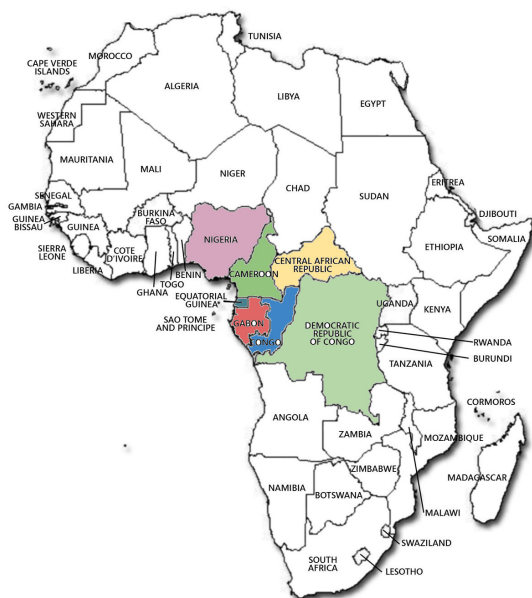


Reaching Africa's next generation, one child at a time.

# Big Changes

Once again life is changing for Mike and Kari in Africa. We were recently asked to consider taking the role of Area Director for Central Africa. After some time to pray and reflect, we accepted that new position. So, what does that mean?

- We will not be moving! We will fulfill this new role from our current home in Cameroon. Hallelujah!
- We will be stepping away from leadership in Africa's Children. This was a big one for us. After over 25 years of children's ministry in Africa we will be moving away from that specific focus into a broader role.
- The role of Area Director (AD) for Central Africa covers 7 countries; Nigeria, Cameroon, Equatorial Guinea, Gabon, Central African Republic, Republic of Congo, and Democratic Republic of Congo.



The role of Area Director includes responsibilities for:

- Member care of missionaries in the area
- Strategic direction for ministry
- Administrative oversight
- Leadership development

You will be hearing more about this new role in the months to come. We look forward to sharing with many of you in person during our six months of home assignment starting in January.

# Continental Conference

This past month we participated in a training conference for key children's ministry leaders from across the continent. The conference was held in Nairobi, Kenya. By design, the number of participants was limited. There were representatives from all four main geographic regions of Africa with 12 countries total represented. Along with the training that took place, each region left with a plan for training children's workers in the countries around them. This was truly a historic event that we are praying will cause a huge ripple effect across Africa in the world of ministry to kids and teens.



Every good conference has a group photo. We were privileged to be with national children's ministry directors and missionaries working with kids.

Kari is pictured here with pastor Paul from Tanzania. Paul was the children's ministries director for Tanzania the entire time we lived there. It was a huge blessing to us to be with him again and once again be working together to reach kids.

If you would like to get more frequent updates on what we are doing, follow our Facebook page at <http://www.facebook.com/nessministries> or search for Mike and Kari in Africa.

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