

## Prayer and Praise – July 2, 2025

***"For you yourselves are fully aware that the day of the Lord will come like a thief in the night."***

*1 Thessalonians 5:2 (ESV)*

**Guinea:** Missionaries Tom and Sherry Moore shared, "This past Sunday was Women's Sunday at the Kamsar church. The women were in charge of the entire service. They sang special songs while playing their gourds, worshipping the Lord. They honored their pastor's wife by giving her fabric for a new outfit. Pastor Celine delivered the message. She is our first female ordained pastor and a fantastic speaker. We adore the women at the Kamsar church. They are a wonderful group of women who have a deep love for the Lord!"



**Cuba:** Missionary Burliss Parker asks for continued prayers for Cuba. God is opening doors for us to minister in a significant way to the Cuban people. Through David Bethany and Aaron Keller, much-needed food and building materials are able to reach Cuba. Please pray for the Lord to provide the \$8000 needed for the shipping container. Also, pray for Burliss as he has travel plans to visit Kenya and Uganda. He will be able to help them finish the construction of some Open Bible churches in each country, along with other needs. Thank you for your giving, as it is advancing the kingdom of God in each of these countries.

Field Director David Moreno praises God for what He has been doing in Cuba in the past few months. In March they held their Third Congress on Christian Education at Sion Theological University. The congress was focused on transformative education with over 250 teachers from Open Bible participating. They were equipped to serve with excellence in their ministries. Then in May, Mission Esperanza also held conferences for pastors and leaders of Open Bible churches. Mission Esperanza continues to be a source of blessings and hope for Cuba. Finally, the children's ministry. Children are being reached through teachings, recreational activities, and food distributions. The power of God has been witnessed in their lives, showing them the love of Christ in tangible and meaningful ways.

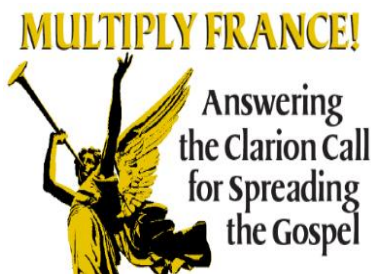




**Japan:** Missionary McKendree Veenstra asks for prayers as he raises his financial support and prepares for his upcoming trip to Japan. He is seeking God's guidance and direction in the months ahead.

**Nigeria:** Field Director Okon Obot shared with us that on June 17th, gunmen believed to be herdsmen attacked Yekwata village in the Guma Local Government Area of Benue State. It has been reported that more than 200 people were killed. We have over 70 Open Bible Churches in the Guma Local Government Area of Benue State in North Central Nigeria. Due to this attack, many people, including our Open Bible church members, have fled their homes. All activities in the affected areas have been suspended.

The following week in Nasarawa State, a neighboring state to Benue, one of our pastors, Pastor Benjamin Sawaan, the district director of Dooga Open Bible Churches, was attacked. He managed to escape with several machete cuts. Pastor Benjamin shared that without his brother and soldiers who ran in to rescue him, he would have died. In the Northeastern State of Kebbi State, 200 people were killed last week. On June 20th, there was a bomb blast in Kano State and fear is on the rise. The Open Bible midyear convention in the Northern States of Nigeria was canceled due to security concerns. Please pray for our pastors and churches in Nigeria, especially in the Northern part of the country.



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