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MISSION REPORT

## Ouagadougou, Burkina Faso

**More than 2.5% of the  
population converted**  
in French-speaking Burkina Faso

**A demonstration  
of the power of God**

Man walks after 14 years  
in a wheelchair



# Welcome to Ouagadougou, Burkina Faso



## Dear Mission Partner

After the campaign in Lomé, the capital of Togo, one year ago, the Great Gospel Campaign in Burkina Faso – which was called Upper Volta until 1984 – took us back to the French-speaking part of West Africa. Our destination was the capital city of Ouagadougou (pronounced *wagadoogoo*), by far the largest city in the small country, which has a population of some 16 million.

The origins of the city go back a very long way. It was founded in the eleventh century as Kombemtinga, “*city of warriors*”, and was renamed Wogdgo – meaning “*Come and honour me*” – in the fourteenth century by the head of the Mossi tribe. (Over the centuries Wogdgo subsequently became Ouagadougou.) The tribal leader’s intention was to add weight to his position as a ruler but we decided to claim this name for Jesus! We proclaimed the King of kings and the Lord of lords – who is far more powerful than

any earthly ruler. Our mighty sound system called out to the people of Burkina Faso: **“Come and honour JESUS!”**

At the end of the nineteenth century, large parts of West Africa were captured by the French and in 1919 the colony of Upper Volta was created with Ouagadougou as its capital. Since then, the city has not stopped growing and each year spreads hundreds of metres further out in to the surrounding savannah. Large parts of the city are without electricity and running water; the low buildings are built with traditional clay bricks, as they have been for centuries. Because of its sprawl and the low buildings, the huge city strikes the visitor as being like a gigantic, dusty village with a typical African atmosphere and plenty going on. The people’s main means of transport are scooters, mopeds and bicycles. There are masses of them – everywhere!

Traditional religions and ancestor worship still have a mighty hold – far stronger than in other African



Burkina Faso means “land of the honourable men” or “land of the upright”.







nations. The worship of spirits in trees, objects and animals and shamanism are very widespread. Some 40% of the people of Burkina Faso are said to follow these practices. Islam is also exceptionally strong. Christians reportedly account for only 10% of the population.

**The time was ripe to take the glorious message of salvation to the people in that nation.** It was God's time for Burkina Faso and hundreds of thousands of precious souls met with Jesus.

The miracle continues! Africa shall be saved!

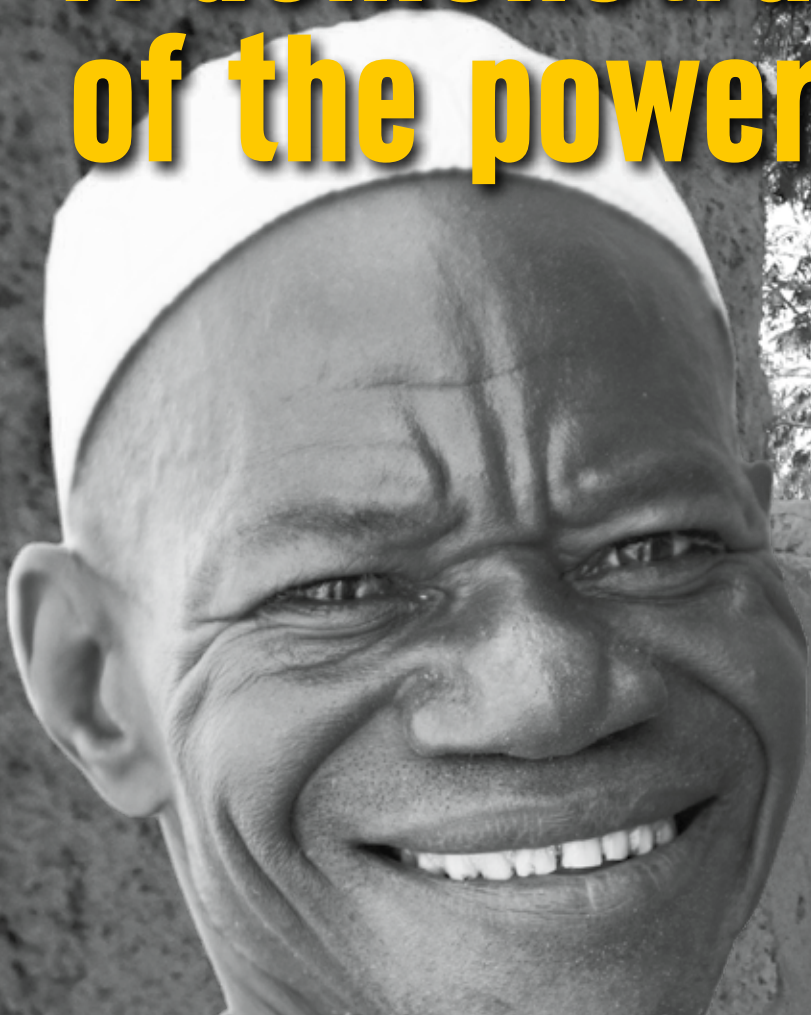
Yours in the name of Jesus

Daniel Kolenda and Reinhard Bonnke  
Evangelists





# A demonstration of the power of God



**This man had spent more than 14 years in a wheelchair.**

HIS SON HAD TO PUSH HIM AROUND. DURING THE MEETING ON THE SECOND EVENING OF THE CAMPAIGN, HE WAS TOUCHED BY JESUS AND COMPLETELY HEALED. THE CROWD ERUPTED WITH JOY AS HIS WHEELCHAIR WAS LIFTED UP AND CARRIED ONTO THE PLATFORM.



## Deaf

This woman had been totally deaf. She showed the amazed crowd that Jesus had healed her.



## HIV

This man had had AIDS but brought the results of tests as proof of his healing.

## Tormented

This young man told us that he had been possessed by demons for six years. He said that the demons had tormented him every night. When Daniel prayed on the second evening, he sensed the demons stirring agitatedly in him – and he has been free ever since.



## Stiff joints

This man's arm had been stiff right down to his fingers. After prayer, however, he was able to stretch it out and move it freely.

This woman could not even dress herself because high blood pressure had left her arms and hands stiff. Normal movement was fully restored.

## Blindness

An operation two years previously to deal with the pain in her eyes had left her blind. Daniel told her, "Catch me if you can see me!" The crowd was thrilled to see what God had done.

*Behind Daniel:* Boxes of prayer requests. A fixed part of every CfaN Great Gospel Campaign is prayer for the numerous requests that come in from all over the world.



*He commanded, us to **preach** to the people and to **testify** ... that everyone who believes in him receives forgiveness of sins through his name.*

*Acts 10:42-43*

OUAGADOUGOU, BURKINA FASO

429,255

... completed decision cards were counted in Ouagadougou and passed on to the participating local churches. As always, it was our greatest joy and privilege to see tens of thousands of people responding to the gospel call and accepting Jesus Christ as their personal Lord and Saviour.

Burkina Faso has a population of around 16 million. Imagine what it would be like in Europe if **more than 2.5% of the total population** made decisions for Jesus at just one, five-day event! It is not presumptuous to speak about "revival" here!





## WHEN THE HOLY SPIRIT TAKES THE LEAD

The opening meeting was attended by 70,000 people, who were enthusiastically looking forward to what the Lord was going to do during the week. By the third evening the crowd had swelled to over 160,000 people. In other words, that evening more than 1% of the entire population of Burkina Faso was at the CfaN campaign.

In parallel to the evangelistic meetings in the evening, there was, as always, a three-day Fire Conference for pastors and church workers from the local area. Many of them had travelled from all over Burkina Faso to experience a touch of the power of the Holy Spirit. This Fire Conference was really unusual. On the second morning Daniel Kolenda was in the middle of his sermon about the fire of God when the Holy Spirit fell. The crowd broke spontaneously into deep-felt prayer that went on and on. Daniel stepped back inwardly to let the Holy Spirit

take over ... and never managed to conclude his sermon. We experienced a mighty outpouring of the Holy Spirit. It was as if Jesus simply could not wait any longer.

On the Saturday morning, as the Fire Conference came to an end, the same thing happened again. After Peter van den Berg had preached, it was Daniel Kolenda's turn to give the concluding message. Yet the Holy Spirit fell before he could even pick up the microphone. Once again it was time to let the Spirit take over and do what he alone can do. It was glorious. He did things in the hearts of those present that no human being could ever bring about.

On the evening of the fourth day something happened that even those of us at CfaN have rarely experienced. There is no other word for it than "mass baptism by fire". It was quite simply



astounding. The Holy Spirit was poured out on the entire crowd of around 190,000 people.

At the last meeting on the Sunday, Daniel preached on forgiveness and a huge number of conversions took place. The field "exploded" as many thousands of people called on the name of Jesus for salvation. Numerous healing miracles confirmed the preaching of the word of God.

On the Saturday afternoon, Daniel was invited to a special meeting. In the national stadium, the Fellowship of Evangelical Churches in Burkina Faso was celebrating the 50th anniversary of its foundation and he had been asked to pray for the pastors and church leaders present.

In combination with the CfaN Great Gospel Campaign, these celebrations were a milestone for the Christians in Burkina Faso, who are enthusiastic about what God is doing in their country.



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#### FISHERS OF MEN

The apostles were sent  
To fish in the raging nations,  
The tumultuous waters of mankind,  
In foreign fishing grounds,  
Amidst enormous dangers in uncharted waters,  
They had caught fish from the angry Sea of Galilee,  
They would be fishers of men from the angry seas of the nations.  
It would be dangerous,  
There would be storms,  
The winds would always be contrary,  
They would launch out against the currents of the world,  
The waves would lash them, tower high over them and  
threaten to swallow them whole,  
They could get off course and be driven up and down ...  
All that, but they would be fishers of men. Let's follow their  
example. Jesus is with us.

REINHARD BONNKE





# 70 years SINCE THE WANNSEE CONFERENCE

Reverend Siegfried Tomazsewski

To mark the 70th anniversary of the Wannsee Conference, the ICEJ (International Christian Embassy Jerusalem) sent out invitations to a meeting in Jerusalem. On 20 January 1942, high-ranking representatives of politics and business and even spiritual leaders in what was then Nazi Germany met for a conference in Berlin-Wannsee. The aim was to decide on the annihilation of around 11 million European Jews over lunch. This “final solution” is the darkest chapter in German history.

Seventy years later, the time of “completion” has come. God would like to begin a new chapter in German-speaking Europe. Seventy representatives from some thirty Christian organisations, churches and associations met in Jerusalem on 20 January 2012 to lay wreaths at the Yad Vashem Holocaust Memorial in memory of that significant date.

As *Christ for all Nations*, we did this with great reverence and yet with joy over what God has in store for his people. God would like to write a new chapter with a new generation. Christianity is rooted in Judaism. Without Jews there would be no Christians!

Therefore, let us pray for Israel, standing with the people of God and blessing Jerusalem. We, too, will share in the Lord’s promised blessing.



- 1 Siegfried Tomazsewski
- 2 The 30 organisations and ministries laid wreaths at Yad Vashem
- 3 Tapestry by Marc Chagall in the Knesset
- 4 The delegation in the Knesset
- 5 The agenda included a meeting with the Chief Rabbi, Yona Metzger
- 6 Wreaths were laid in the Hall of Remembrance at Yad Vashem
- 7 Siegfried Tomazsewski was one of the speakers at the evening meeting in the Konrad Adenauer Conference Centre in Jerusalem



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