

Mali, West Africa, is home to a thriving international team of YWAMers. Amongst the 60+ long-term staff, are Samuel and Silvana Sangaré and their two beautiful children. Theirs is a story of how a successful gardening project brings life to rural villages, both physically and spiritually.

Samuel, a Malian Fulani, and Silvana, from South Africa, both have an anointing and passion for community development. Since their marriage five years ago, they have had a desire to start a prototype project in his village, situated within an hour of the capital, Bamako. Using his insider perspective along with research, Samuel knew the area was under-exploited in terms of dry season vegetable gardening. In addition, the peoples, Bambara and sedentary Fulani (traditionally, nomadic herders) have little access to literacy training, primary health care teaching and medical care, as well as little exposure to the transformational power of the gospel.



Their approach was to return to Samuel's village several times, both alone and with YWAM evangelism teams, interviewing the population to discover what they thought they needed and wanted. As a result of patient relationship building and sincere concern for a holistic strategy, the doors have opened wide for ministry in the entire region. Their vision is to reach the 400 villages in that area, which presently have only five Christian fellowships (with fewer than 30 believers in each).

The gardening project has been a great success, and brought in considerable revenue. Literacy work among the women is ongoing. Good open communication has been established among the villagers as they collaborate together. A church has also been established in Samuel's village.

This is only a beginning, but a solid beginning. Please pray for this ministry. Communication between men and women in the culture is neither simple nor quick, but by the Spirit of the Lord and His great love for the unreached, we know that 'the people walking in darkness WILL SEE a great light!'

By Paula Brander, YWAM Koutiala



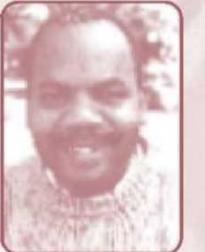
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Reporting the rhythms of YWAM Africa

From the Director's Desk

"May God be gracious to us and bless us... so that your ways may be known on earth, your salvation among all nations... then... all the ends of the earth will fear Him". (Psalm 67v1-2,7)

Thank you to everyone who took part in YWAM's recent '50 Days of Prayer.' I heard reports from many people, that as they prayed God challenged them afresh to take the gospel to the frontiers of Africa and the world. We still have thousands of peoples across the continent that do not know His ways and are waiting. Think of the peoples of the Horn of Africa, southern Sudan, Mozambique, Senegal, Mali, Niger and North Africa. God loves them; He has blessed us, **so that** they may know Him!



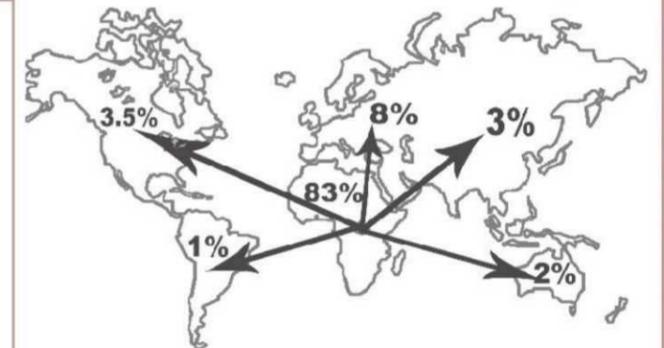
John Kisamwa

As we're involved in frontier missions let's remember the development of the people. Africa is still faced with the challenges of poverty, unclean water, HIV/AIDS, health care, and education. As we church plant among the unreached, we want to see the reality of the good news impacting these areas. Truth sets people free; we must share the truth with all nations. Then all the ends of the earth will fear Him.

My prayer is that as you read this issue of Djembe you will be challenged by the testimonies of work on the frontiers, and that we will do more to see others released to work among unreached people groups.

In the Kingdom service

Where do African YWAMers go?



Based on most complete data available from YWAM's Research & Information department.

YWAM FRONTIER MISSIONS

Helping you get involved



Gina Fadely

Everyday nearly 50,000 people die who have never heard of Jesus Christ. YWAM Frontier Missions is determined to change this daily situation. We are helping people like you (and your ministries) to bring the gospel to those who have never heard it. We can help you to go where no Christian church exists and start a new one: churches that will continue to shine the light of Jesus Christ throughout their own communities for generations to come.

While there are thousands of unreached people groups outside of Africa that you could consider, there are also many within your own shores. North Africa is experiencing an amazing time of openness to the gospel, yet where are the harvesters for this ripe field? Africa has a Christian population that is exploding, yet relatively few are responding to the Great Commission call to go. With the blood of farmers in your veins, can you not sense that the harvest is ripe? You who have the legacy of the harvesters, can you not hear the Lord of the harvest calling you to join in His work? If you can, we'd like to help you get involved.

Frontier Missions is one of the largest transnational ministries within YWAM. With two thousand people already working to start new churches among unreached people groups, we have experience and resources to assist you. Consider committing to one unreached people group. You can make a difference by praying, giving, promoting, going short-term or by even going long-term to share the good news of Jesus Christ.

Gina Fadely, Director of YWAM Frontier Missions

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