

Upcoming Events

- Today's Nursery Attendants: Laura & Diane
 - Children ages 0-5 years
 - Parents/Guardians - Nursery attendant will escort you.
- THANK YOU! - Christmas Outreach 2024 Served 32 Families in need
 - Please fill out bulleting survey with your valuable feedback.
 - Please place in box @ Foyer on your way out today.
- 12/24 (Tues) - Christmas Eve Candlelight Service @ 6:30PM
- 12/29 - 5th Sunday Fellowship @ FBC -
 - Please notify Marina what you will be bringing (please see below)
 - Please bring for your family plus one -
 1. A covered dish
 2. A dessert
 3. Drinks
- Now Through 12/31 (Tues) - Lebanon Food Box Support - \$35 OR \$50 per box
 - Cash or Check - see John Parsons
 - All checks to FBC w/ Memo: "Lebanon Relief / Food Boxes"
 - Venmo Only - to Brandon Hickson @bhickson30
- 1/26 (Sun) - FBC Appreciation Fellowship Luncheon - See RSVP Tear-Off Card
 - 1:15pm @ "The Carriage House"-Galloway, NJ
 - PLEASE FILL OUT RSVP TICKET IN BULLETIN ASAP - to Carm Hickson
 - \$25 per person - All Payments due by: Jan 8th
 - Cash or Check written to FBC (Please give to Carm Hickson)
- 10% of ALL our Giving goes to Global Missions
Designated Offerings can be made to - Local Outreaches, Changemakers, Etc.
- Get CONNECTED with God, His Church & His People via our CONNECT Card
- Join us Wednesday nights @ 7:00PM - Bible Study & Prayer Time

— MISSIONARIES —

Persecuted Christian

- CAMEROON -

PERSONALIZED CARE HELPS PERSECUTED YOUTH

- Between April and July 2024, militants with the radical Islamist group Boko Haram attacked villages of the predominately Christian Hdi tribe in far northern Cameroon 11 different times. During their raids, the jihadis murdered villagers and abducted young people to serve as child soldiers or child brides. As many of the Hdi children who survived were traumatized, some of them received holistic spiritual care designed to help heal their emotional wounds. Afterward, one child told a front-line worker, "This is the first time this year that I have slept more than four hours uninterrupted. When I am in my community, I have to leave the house and go hide in the hills and sleep in the open." The front-line worker requested prayers for healing for those who have suffered in Islamist attacks and that the attacks will cease.
- Boko Haram raids on Christian-majority villages along the northwestern border with Nigeria have specifically targeted churches and Christian activity. In a typical attack, Christians are killed or displaced, churches are burned and homes are destroyed. Several Christian villages have been abandoned completely after recurring attacks, which have included killings, kidnappings, and the burning of houses, schools and churches.
- Cameroon is a majority-Christian country, including 52% Christians and 24% Muslims.
- The main persecutor is the Boko Haram Islamic terrorist group.
- Most of Cameroon has a thriving Christian presence and many churches. But Christians living along the Nigerian border have experienced repeated, brutal attacks by Boko Haram. In these villages 50 to 80 miles from the border, men, women and children are attacked simply for being known as Christians.
- Bibles are generally available, but distributing them in the north is challenging because of security issues. Many people cannot afford a Bible and would prefer the Scriptures in a local language rather than French or English. Bible translation ministries have done significant work translating the Bible into local languages, such as the local Fulani dialect, in both Roman and Arabic script. Give Bibles
- VOM is helping restore persecuted Christians to spiritual wellness through relief and ministry efforts among the displaced in northern Cameroon, where many have fled their villages because of attacks by Boko Haram. VOM also supports pastors and evangelists who are ministering in areas targeted by Boko Haram.

PLEASE PRAY:

- For the comfort and healing of families who have lost loved ones in attacks by Boko Haram.
- For the safety of Bible distributors working in dangerous regions.
- Praise God for Bible translation efforts in Cameroon's many local languages.
- For front-line workers who serve the spiritual and emotional needs of Christians displaced by Boko Haram attacks.
- That members of Boko Haram will see the brokenness of their lives and turn to faith in Christ.
- That Christians living along the Nigerian border will stand firm as they experience attacks by Boko Haram.

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with God
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