Apcoming Events

- Nursery Attendants (Ages 0-5): Princess & Laura
  - (Parents attendant will escort you)
- Every Sunday L.I.F.E. Groups @ 9-10AM All Ages > Please sign up in Foyer
- May 3<sup>rd</sup> (Sat) Disciple Choral Concert by Dr. Lorna Young @ FBC 4PM
- May 7th (Wed) Worship Service with. Guest Speaker. Tucker Rodkey
  - Dinner @ 5:30-7pm > then Family Worship @ 7pm RSVP by 4/30
  - In need of volunteers for clean-up (Please see Marina & Anna)
- May 10th (Sat) FBC Workday! Workers Needed
  - You will receive an email from John DelPercio with further info
  - Starts promptly @ 8AM Breakfast & Lunch will be served
- NEW! USE OUR OR Code > Open your camera app & scan to see information re:
  - Get on the list here Tucker Rodkey Event & Dinner(By 4/30)
  - <u>Enter your support here</u> Brandon's Missions Trip (By <u>4/30</u>) 🔳 💽 🗖
- May 13<sup>th</sup> (Tues) Monthly in-person Board Meeting @ 7PM
- 🔸 🔟 Aug 11th -15th Save the Dates! Family Retreat 2025 (Laura Dolhansk 🗖 🏴
- 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 see CONNECT Card
- Wednesday nights @ 7:00PM Bible Study & Prayer (OR fairmeeting.net/fbcblackwood)

## - M I S S I O N A R I E S -



The Himalayas

- Jacob & Miriam
- · Creative Access

## Persecuted Christian

## - TOGO (WEST AFRICA) - PASTORS TARGETED BY ISLAMISTS

Several pastors in the north of Togo have been persecuted by Islamists, who at times cross over from neighboring countries to attack Christians. In 2024, Islamists attacked a village where Pastor Gbendja Félidja was serving, killing 5 people. He fled at that time, but he returned during the summer, Feb. 2025, armed militants came to his house & shot & stabbed him to death. He left behind 7 married adult children. In the same region of Togo. Pastor Patrice Kokouvi continues to minister despite ongoing threats for sharing the gospel with Muslims. For the past 3 years, villagers have continuously destroyed his crops. limiting his income & food. When asked if he had reported the destruction to the police, he said, "If I go to the court system, perhaps the villagers will never want to know Jesus." For their safety. Patrice has moved his family to the outskirts of the village. Influenced by neighboring Benin, the birthplace of voodoo.

Influenced by neighboring Benin. the birthplace of voodoo. persecution against Christians occurs primarily in the north of Togo. where voodooists & animists oppose the church because they see it as a threat to their power & influence. Members of the Muslim Fulani tribe who choose to follow Christ also experience opposition from their families & communities.

## PLEASE PRAY -

- For Abraham. who was beaten by people who practice sorcery because he placed his faith in Christ.
- Many Togolese follow traditional religions. Pray that they will be set free from spiritual bondage.
- For the safety of Christians threatened by militant Fulani Muslims.
- About 42% of Togolese are Christians. Pray that they will live boldly for Christ.
- for Togolese missionaries who are working to reach people in remote areas with the gospel.

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