



KENYA

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Fertile plateaus, mountains, deserts, rain forests, and beaches along the Indian Ocean form the varied landscape of Africa's eighth largest country. Over forty different ethnic groups, including Africa's three major socio-linguistic groups, the Bantu, Nilotic, and Cushitic, combine to give Kenya a diverse population and rich culture. Surrounded by Somalia, Ethiopia, Sudan, Uganda, and Tanzania, Kenya has actively worked to maintain good relations with its neighbors and is a regional transportation, commercial, and financial center as well. Kenya's national parks draw safari tourists from around the world.

Once a British colony, Kenya received its independence in 1963. Under moderate leadership, Kenya transitioned into a stable country with one of the best economies in East Africa. In more recent years, corruption and political changes have tested that stability. Almost eighty percent of Kenya's population lives in rural areas where their income is dependent on agriculture. Environmental problems, high birth rates, corruption, unemployment, and 1.5 million living with HIV/AIDS have resulted in half of the 41 million Kenyans living in poverty. This is compounded by a lack of governmental social welfare programs, though the government has developed strategies to address these challenges and others in its Vision 2030 plan.

In a country where nearly fifty percent of the population considers themselves to be evangelical, it is not surprising that many Kenyan Christians are engaged in church planting and sending missionaries to other countries. The number of new churches and growth in established churches can be found in all denominations, and eighty-three percent of Kenyans are now estimated to be Christian. Churches are being challenged by nominalism, ethnic cultural practices mixed with biblical truths, and the need for trained leaders in the 80,000 congregations. Islam and traditional tribal religions comprise most of the other seventeen percent of the population. Kenya continues to attract many regional and continental mission organizations.

WATCH & PRAY

GIVE THANKS

Thank God for stability at the moment.

Praise God for waves of Church growth and renewal.

Thank God for the Massive evangelical presence

PRAY FOR:

- Pray for peace, for wise governance and for practical solutions to droughts in the north, ethnic clashes over land and the wide gap between rich and poor.
- Pray for Christians to unite to oppose wrong-doing and to promote policies that honour God. Kenya needs a just and honest government that will uplift the poor and punish the wicked.
- Pray for ways to minister to all aspects of life of the children and youth of the nation.
- Pray that Christians may lead in ministry to the sick and to the thousands of AIDS orphans.
- Pray for African churches to pick up the challenge to reach out to the many Asians in Kenya.
- Most languages have Scripture portions, and 16 indigenous languages have the whole Bible. Pray for the invaluable work of The Bible Society (UBS) and of SIL and the related, but indigenous, work of Bible Translation & Literacy

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THE 10/40 WINDOW

The Finish the Task movement mobilizes the Church to reach every unreached people in the nations. Kenya sends many missionaries, but could send many more, especially to the needy Horn of Africa region.

- Pray for churches, denominations, Bible schools and seminaries to emphasize the Great Commission.
- 70 institutions train Christian workers for ministry, but even these cannot address such a large need. Pray for new, appropriate, affordable solutions.



JOSHUA PROJECT

THE UNREACHED

Although there may be a few believers or even a few churches, they are a people group among which there is no indigenous community of believing Christians with adequate numbers and resources to evangelize their own people group.

A total of 32 People Groups are Unreached – 5,433,000 (11,5%) people who have limited or NO access to the Gospel.



OPEN DOORS

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on the Open Doors WWL of countries who face the worst Christian persecution.

- Pray for repentance within the ranks of Islamic militant groups who target Christians.
- Pray they would come to know Jesus as the way, the truth, and the life.
- Inspired by radical Islamic influences from Somalia, Muslim politicians have an agenda to eliminate the Christian Church from particularly the northeastern and coastal regions. Pray that their hearts would be changed.
- Pray that Christians in the political arena would be given the wisdom they need. Pray they would receive the Lord's protection and would have a strong voice.

PRAY FOR THE MUSLIM WORLD

For centuries, the Muslims have lived on the coast and in the northwest as a minority group. As Islam grows and changes, Christian-Muslim tensions increase. Violent outbreaks increase.

The persecution of Christians resulting from Islamic Oppression – as perpetrated by Al-Shabaab – contains elements of ethnic cleansing in the northeastern part of the country. To combat the source of these attacks, Kenya has sent troops into Somalia.

Matthew 11:28:

"Come to Me, all you who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest."





<http://www.ad2000.org/re90311.htm>
<http://www.finishingthetask.com/>

GOVERNMENTAL ELECTION

8 August 2017 - President, National Assembly, Senate & Local

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