

## Upcoming Services

### March 6th

South Valley Community  
Santa Maria, CA

### March 13th

Christian Life Assembly  
Saint John, WA

### March 20th

a.m. Colville AG  
p.m. Loon Lake AG

### March 23rd

Ridgeview Christian Center  
Spokane, WA

### March 27th

a.m. Kendrick AG  
p.m. Blessed Hope  
Lewiston, ID

### April 3rd

a.m. Wenatchee 1st  
p.m. Stone Church  
Yakima, WA

### April 10th

a.m. Mineral Neighborhood  
Christian Center  
p.m. Napavine AG

### April 17th

a.m. Sklallam Worship Center  
Kingston, WA  
p.m. Sequim Worship Center

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## THE CONGO CONNECTION

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### ✧ Bonjour ✧

We've got great news to report! Since our last newsletter, we have reached the 50% mark in our monthly budget!! Nearly \$900.00 in commitments have been officially accounted for. It's been amazing to see how the Lord is providing. Thank you for all your prayers and support, we couldn't do this without you, we're half-way there!!

### **UNLESS SOMEONE TELLS THEM...**

*How can they call on Him to save them, unless they believe in Him? And how can they believe in Him, if they have never heard about Him? And how can they hear about Him unless someone tells them? Romans 10:14*

This is one of our favorite scriptures and is a great reminder to all of us that there are still people in this world, both near and far, that need to hear about Jesus. The Congo is home to 4 million people, most of them have never heard about Jesus. What a tremendous opportunity to share about the

hope that is only found in Jesus Christ. This scripture serves as a challenge to both you and I, to use our voice to tell people about Jesus. I am sure all of us know someone who needs to hear about the hope that is only found in Jesus Christ.

*What will you  
do with  
your voice?*

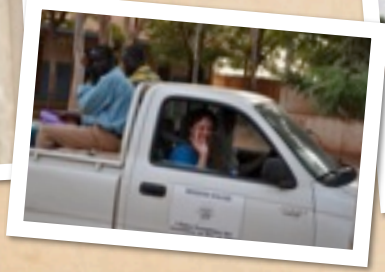


### Goal:

\$7,637.03  
\$61,680 Cash

### Currently:

\$3,971 Monthly  
\$4,472 Cash



# Prayer Requests

\*The church family in the Congo is facing health challenges. Let's believe with them in prayer for complete healing.

\*Pray for healing and for this to be a time of testing in faith for the many young believers in the church. They are still learning the awesome capabilities of God and that He still heals today!

## Praise Reports

As we prepare to go to the Congo one of our ongoing prayer burdens has been for a vehicle. The Lord has miraculously answered our prayers through Speed the Light. Last month, the youth ministries of the Spokane and Northern Idaho areas informed us that they have selected us their a special missions project. This group of dedicated students has responded to the call to preach the gospel in the Congo by pledging to raise money to provide a vehicle for us. Thank you students for partnering with us to share the Word of God in the Congo!

## RELIGION IN THE CONGO

Nearly half of the population adhere to a native religion called Nzambi.

The nations largest ethnic group which make up 48% of the population are the Bakongo tribe. The monotheistic religion of Nzambi is widely practiced among the Bakongo. In this religion Nzambi created the world after a great sickness, vomiting first the sun, then the stars, animals and people. After the creation he went to live with the ancestral spirits. It is believed that family members join the ancestral world after death to protect the living.

In the case of wrongful or violent death, they roam until retribution has occurred. Pray with us that the Bakongo tribe will know the One True God!

### CRAZY CONGO FACT

Only 60% of the population has access to safe drinking water. Only 9% have access to sanitation purposes.

