



IPC WEST/CENTRAL AFRICA

PRAYER OUR STRATEGY




ACTS 6:1-4

- **1.** And in those days, the disciples having multiplied, a murmuring of the Hellenists against the Hebrews occurred, because their widows were overlooked in the daily serving.
- **2.** And the Twelve called the multitude of the disciples and said, It is not pleasing to us, leaving the Word of God, to serve tables.
- **3.** Therefore, brothers, look out among you seven *men* being witnessed to, full of the Holy Spirit and wisdom, whom we may appoint over this duty.
- **4.** *But we will give ourselves continually to prayer and to the ministry of the Word.*





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- **This is doubtless the proper business of the New Testament priest to speak to God in prayer about pressing issues.**
 - **The earliest instinct of the Church was a perfectly true one, that no office in the Kingdom of God can be discharged as it ought to be, no matter how exclusively external or secular it may appear, unless it be discharged by a spiritual man, and in a spiritual way.**
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➤ **“Whenever God gets ready to do a great work, He always sets His people praying.”**

Edwin Orr

JEREMIAH 33:3-7

- ***” Call to Me, and I will answer you, and show you great and inscrutable things which you do not know.”***
- **He encourages Jeremiah to call to Him, the LORD ([Mat 7:7-8](#)). He assures him that He will answer him. In that answer, He will make known to him “great and mighty things”. The things that Jeremiah does not know and no man can know, because they are beyond his human understanding and knowledge, the LORD will tell him when he calls to Him.**
- **This is also a great incentive for us to call to Him. He wants to make known things that are beyond our human understanding and require *Divine revelation*.**
- ***The challenges in our regions are beyond human understanding and it require divine interventions.***



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- **How deplorable the condition of Jerusalem was which made it necessary that such comforts as these should be provided for it.**
- **What the blessings are which God has in store for Judah and Jerusalem, such as will redress all their grievances.**
- **(1.) Is their state diseased? Is it wounded?**



AREAS OF COLLABORATION

- ▶ God will provide effectually for the healing of it, though the disease was thought incurable,
- ▶ **Ezk 7:22**. “*The whole head is sick, and the whole heart faint (Isa 1:5); but (Jer 33:6) I will bring it health and cure; I will prevent the death, remove the sickness, and set all to it rights again,*” **Jer 30:17**.
- ▶ The HEALTH of the Church
- ▶ The state of the least/unreached people groups
- ▶ The Profile of our political leaders
- ▶ The health of our economies
- ▶ Elections in 2024-2025



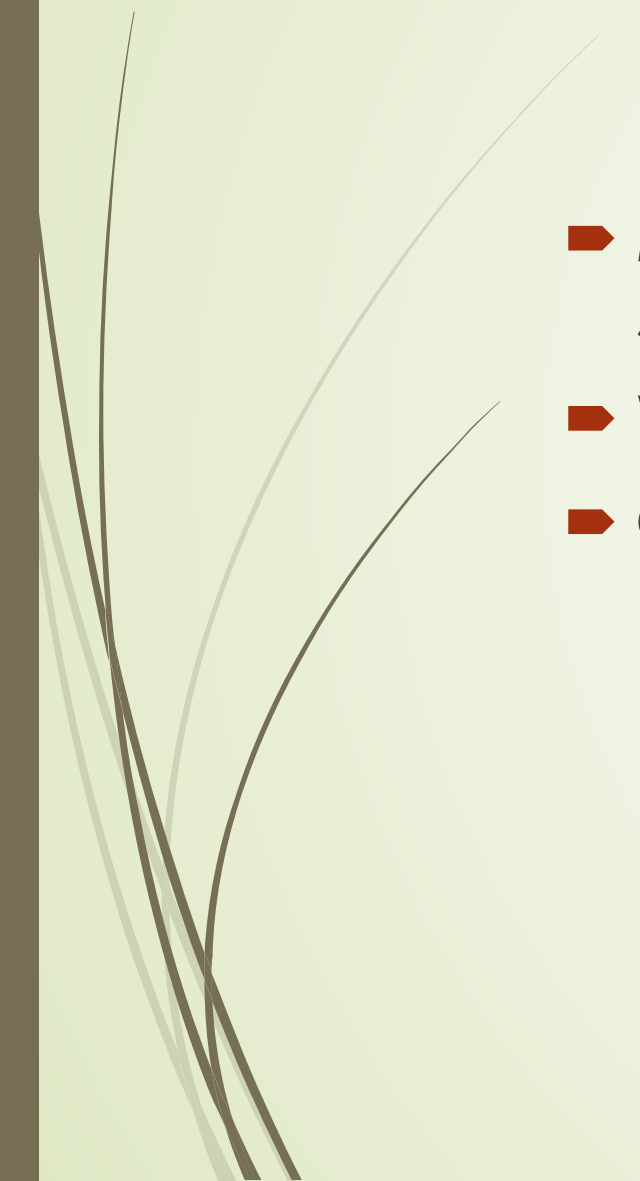
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- (2.) Are they scattered and enslaved, and is their nation laid in ruins? *“I will cause their captivity to return (Jer 33:7)”*
- The security of the states/insurgencies/political instabilities
- Coup de tats in some of the French countries
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- (3.) Is sin the procuring cause of all their troubles? That shall be pardoned and subdued, and so the root of the judgments shall be killed, **Jer 33:8**. [1.] By sin they have become filthy, and odious to God's holiness, but God will cleanse them, and purify *them from their iniquity*.
- **Corruption**
- **Innocent blood shared**

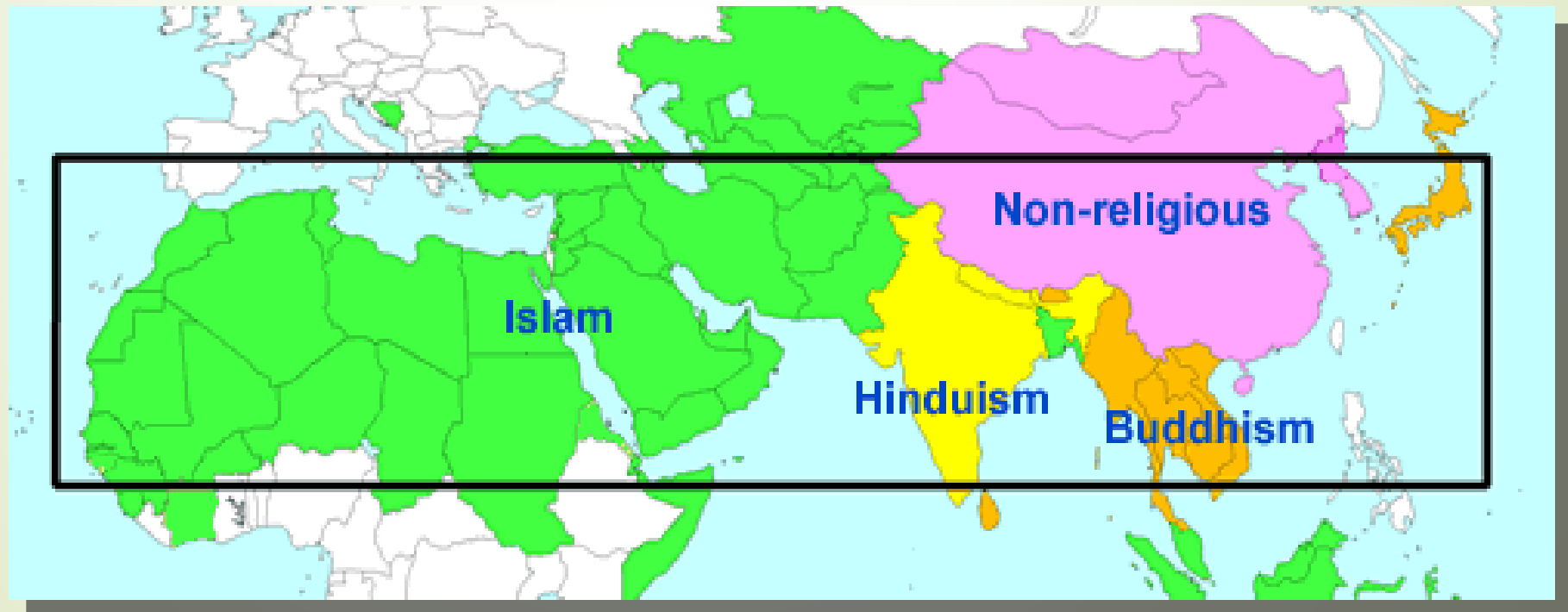


CHALLENGES OF WEST & CENTRAL AFRICA

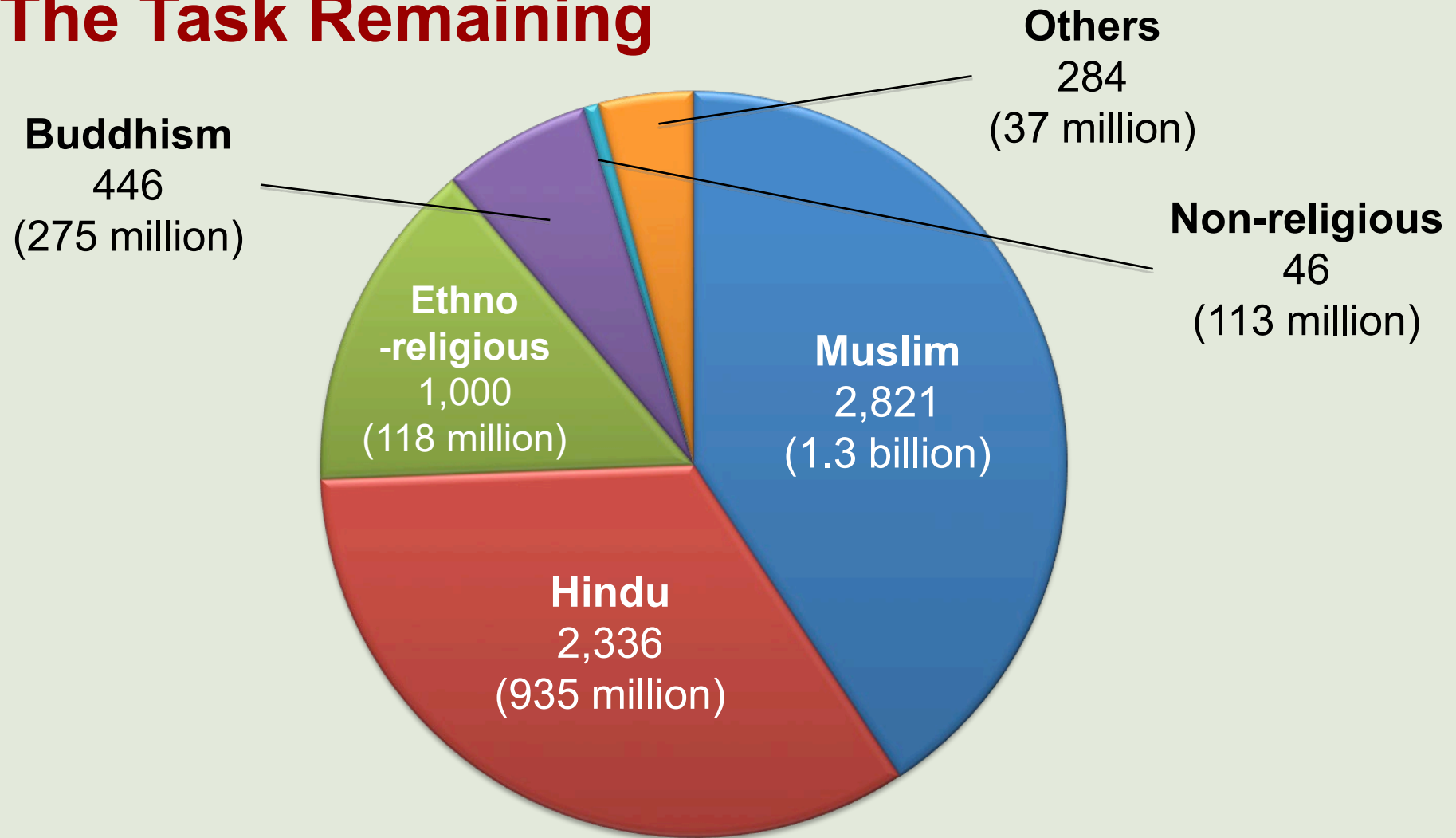
- Most of the challenges of our regions falls within what Judah and Jerusalem went through.
 - We can collaborate around our challenges
 - Opportunity to pray together – similar culture values
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The Challenge

- ▶ **The Formidable Religious Blocs**
- ▶ **The Muslim, Hindu and Buddhist Blocs, found mainly in the 10/40 window region also cut across West and Central Africa.**



The Task Remaining



**7,100 least reached people groups (over 2.8 billion people)
still have no viable church**




GETTING STARTED - RPT

- Choose a day of the week in a month, time, and venue (Zoom, google meet) to meet.
- Select a RPT facilitator to be in charge to follow up on meeting schedule.
- Choose a country of the region or issue of the world for which the team will intercede monthly.
- Gather as many tools and resources about the country of the region or of the world as possible. We want to arm ourselves with as much prayer information to keep our time of prayer and intercession focused.




ADD SPICE

- Mix things up from meeting to meeting.
 - Start one time with praise and worship.
 - Another time highlight a testimony of answered prayer.
 - Have someone share a challenge for prayer, a burden that God has placed on his/her heart for a country or a people group, or have someone give a PowerPoint or video of a particular place where we want to focus our prayers for that month.
 - Delegate someone to research specific topics like children at risk, planting churches in Muslim cities/communities, ministering among the poorest of the poor,
 - Also give brief reports to the team.
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PRAYER IDEAS

- **Key prayer challenges for the Nigerian nation:**
 - 1. Security
 - 2. We need divine intervention for the economy
 - 3. Political restructuring
 - 4. True revival in the country: Revival of Biblical Prayer, Revival of Evangelism, Revival of love/unity, Revival of holiness and Revival of power.
 - 5. God should not tarry to bring to pass His prophetic word over NIGERIA
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Key prayer challenges for Ivory Coast (Côte d'Ivoire):

- ▶ - As we prepare for elections 2025. We implore God's peace, God's choice and God's reign over the Nation. Cancel all kinds of biases and exclusion of key political parties.
- ▶ - The drug phenomenon within schools and institutions - present and a future threat, causing violence moral depravity etc.
- ▶ - Extent of eviction and demolition of so called areas at risk affecting many displaced persons, families, schools etc.
- ▶ - That God would raise prophetic leaders according to His own heart in the nation, to guide and restore righteousness, equity and truth.
- ▶ - Salvation of our cousins as they observe the Ramadan fast.
- ▶ IVORY COAST is the Lord's and it's fullness thereof.





Main prayer challenges for the Central African Republic:

- - political stability
- - security
- - socio-economic development
- - evangelization of unreached Fulani
- - development of sustainable road infrastructure.
- - education .



GHANA

- Upcoming election in 2024
 - That God will stop the tied of Islam
 - Transform Christianity of (false religion to true life of Christ)
 - Heal the society from ingrain of corruption
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SUMMARY –Acts 12:5-17

- **The HEALTH of the Church**
- **Church leaders**
- **The state of the least/unreached people groups**
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