



God is
at work!
God's people
are at work!

Worship and fellowship on a beach



a Moor lady

Qualifications needed

We recruit people who have a good knowledge of the Bible and are active in, and appreciated by, their local church. With the insecurity of the region, and the restrictions placed on proclaiming the gospel, workers should be ready to

live by faith in every part of their lives and not only for their finances.

A good level of Arabic or French is required in addition to a foundation in written and spoken English.

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North Africa

five countries – 90 million people

Algeria
Libya
Mauritania
Morocco
Tunisia



Introduction

'How, then, can they call on the one they have not believed in? And how can they believe in the one of whom they have not heard? And how can they hear without someone preaching to them?' (Romans 10:14)





North Africa

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A traditional Tunisian dancer

Background

During Roman times a strong Christian church existed in this region. Today, only three people in 10,000 are evangelical Christians. (An encouraging, but rare, exception are the Kabyle Christians of Algeria who now number tens of thousands.)

Beliefs and practices throughout this area range from orthodox Qur'anic Islam to folk Islam, occultism and even atheism. A traditional outlook and progressive thinking are both in evidence; and political systems are a mixture of democracy, liberalism and repression.

In most regions the authorities and general population are aware of the presence of Christian believers. For some years now in North Africa, there has been more freedom to practise another religion than Islam. However, this is limited. When they meet, they generally do so secretly in small groups.

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The need

Working in teams of 2–12 members, we want to respond to the command of our Lord to go to those who do not yet know His Name. This may be in:

- big cities with up to six million inhabitants who live in modern districts, poor neighbourhoods or slums;
- small country towns where a strong sense of community brings unique pressures;
- rural areas where there is considerable poverty;
- the desert, among the nomads.

Team goals

Our goals are:

- to see living churches established that are both totally biblical and truly North African; and
- to increase prayer backing.



Sharing the good news

Opportunities

We welcome visitors who come with the intention of being a blessing to this region and to our work.

Opportunities for visitors include:

- prayer journeys of a few days,
- short-term exposure for a few months — including orientation, practical experience and an introduction to the Arabic language.

We are also seeking to recruit workers for periods of at least five years.

Christian workers need secular jobs. Employment not only gives residency but also an excellent basis for learning the language, for getting to know the local community, for making friends and for being a witness.

There are many ways in which workers can help the church: discipling, organising seminars, taking part in the life of the community and giving practical help. We can also help the church by giving training in different ministries including leadership, preaching, music and youth leadership.

Unemployment is a problem in this region so we try to help our brothers and sisters to take their place in society and thus bless their church.