

## 塞內加爾生命河靈糧堂

### River of Life Christian Church in Senegal

成立 Started : 2012年 6月

地點 Location : Dakar, Senegal

主任牧師 Senior Pastor : Rev. Matthias Gbegou

分堂: 共3間分堂

#### 簡要介紹 Brief Introduction:

生命河靈糧堂在塞內加爾的第一間分堂建立於2012年6月，位於塞內加爾首都達客爾市(Dakar)，負責該堂的Matthias牧師原是多哥生命河的青少年事工牧者，2012年初多哥生命河差派他往塞內加爾行進禱告，並對當地作一瞭解，在神的感動下，決定在此成立分堂為傳福音的基地。塞內加爾國位於非洲大陸的最西端，在11世紀伊斯蘭教第一次傳入該地區，1864年成為法國殖民地，1960年6月20日才完全獨立，經濟以農業、漁業、礦業、工業為主，工業化程度較其他西非國家高，已為世界經濟增長最快的國家之一，現今95%的塞內加爾人是回教徒。

Matthias牧師與少數同工們努力將福音的信息帶給當地的百姓，面對著向回教徒傳福音時受到的逼迫，以及信主後的回教徒在家人和外界壓迫下持守信心的困難，他們改信基督教後多被趕出家門，教會和牧師的家成為他們唯一的避難之處，也成為他們物質及心靈的依靠，可以想像到身為新移民的Matthias牧師的一家負擔之大。靠着神的恩典，在短短的數年內該堂已在不同的地點成立了多個小

組，在新冠肺炎疫情全球蔓延的情況下，仍在不斷的成長之中，他們的新堂建築預計在2021年8、9月完成，願神保守一切順利，讓神的榮耀大大彰顯。Matthias 牧師也計劃到甘比亞建立分堂。求神的帶領和恩典，繼續擴張他們的境界，除去一切的攔阻，使塞內加爾及全地都得聽福音。

ROLCC's first branch in Senegal was established in June 2012, located in Senegalese capital city of Dakar. Pastor Matthias, formerly responsible for the youth ministry of the ROLCC in Togo, who was sent by ROLCC Togo to pray in Senegal in early 2012. Under the inspiration of God, he decided to set up a branch church as a base for evangelism. Senegalese State is located on the westernmost part of the African continent, first introduced to Islam in the 11th century and became a French colony in 1864. Senegalese nationality was completely independent on 20 June 1960. Senegal's economy is dominated by agriculture, fisheries, mining, and industry. Its industrialization is higher than that of other West African countries and is now one of the countries with the fastest economic growth in the world. Today, 95% of Senegal nationals are Muslims. When spreading evangelism to Muslims, they often faced persecution and many difficulties. Many Muslims, after they were converted to Christianity, encountered difficulties in confronting their families and the society, and were often driven out of their homes, so the church and pastor's home

became their only refuge, and their material and spiritual support. There is great pressure and burden on Pastor Matthias and their families who are new immigrants to the country themselves. However, through the grace of God, in a short span of one to two years the church has set up several groups in different locations and is still growing. Pastor Matthias also plans to plant a church in Gambia. May God's leadership and grace continue to expand their realm, remove all obstacles and keep the Gospel heard in all parts of Senegal and beyond.

### 代禱事項：

1. 感謝主塞內加爾教會發展迅速，他們計劃在全國每個地區（régions）都建立一個分堂，求主聖靈親自引導。同時他們的新堂建築預計在2021年8、9月完成，求神保守一切順利。
2. Matthias牧師計劃要往南邊甘比亞建立教會，求主一同前往。
3. 求主供應各樣的需要，讓教會在人力、財力、教導上都得到充足的供應。
4. 求神保守教會信息能繼續在Facebook上直播，在YouTube頻道（\* Fleuve de VieSénégalTV）同步播出，並且在WhatsApp小組中發送晨禱。教會現有100多名成員，分為10個小組。每個小組長都在WhatsApp中組織小型活動，以幫助每天與成員保持聯繫。求神賜福他們的一切服事能見證神的慈愛，彰顯神的榮耀。

5. 在這個困難的時刻，一些教會成員提供了金錢和食物分享，以幫助有需要的家庭，感謝神並求神供應他們一切所需。

### **Prayer Items:**

1. Thank the Lord Senegalese church for its rapid development. They plan to establish a branch church in every region (régions) of the country, and ask the Lord Holy Spirit to personally guide it. At the same time, the construction of their new hall is expected to be completed in August and September 2021. Please God to keep everything going smoothly.
2. Pastor Matthias plans to set up a church in Gambia to the south, and ask the Lord to go with him.
3. Pray that the Lord will provide for all kinds of needs, so that the church will be adequately supplied in terms of manpower, financial resources, and teaching.
4. Pray that God will keep the church messages live broadcast on Facebook, broadcast simultaneously on the YouTube channel (\* Fleuve de Vie SénégalTV), and send morning prayers in the WhatsApp group. The church currently has more than 100 members divided into 10 groups. Each group leader organizes small events in WhatsApp to help keep in touch with members every day. Pray that all their services can be blessed by God to testify to God's love and show God's glory.

5. At this difficult time, some church members provided money and food to share to help families in need, thanking God and asking God to provide them with all their needs.