

**Please remember to pray for Benjamin Baum, serving with New Tribes Mission in Guinea, West Africa!**

## Landuma Believer Baptisms

In November I had the privilege of witnessing the first two Landuma village baptisms, in the villages of Kimiya and Hamdallaye. Six Landuma and one Susu believers were baptized. Before each believer was baptized they each gave a profession of their faith. Each of the believers said that they would follow Christ no matter the cost.



The local Boké Pastor Moirés Prays for the believers after the Baptism.

### Prayer Requests:

- *Pray for the Guinean Believers, who are experiencing persecution.*
- *Pray that God would work out all of the difficulties encountered preparing for opening up the mission school next year.*
- *Pray for New Tribes Missions in Venezuela. As they are experiencing difficulties.*
- *Pray for the people of Guinea.*
- *Pray for the missionaries serving in Guinea.*
- *Pray for my health.*
- *Pray that I would be an assistance and encouragement to the other missionaries.*

## The Believer Baptism Backlash Begins

When the Landuma Believers were baptized they knew that because of their baptism it was likely that they would experience persecution. And they have!

### Meet Cabinet



Cabinet is a Susu and was baptized in Hamdallaye on Nov 20th. Cabinet is one of the few educated Guineas, he attended University in Guinea and even speaks a little Eng-

lish. Even with his education he works with a wood cutter, because of the unavailability of other employment. When his uncle learned of his baptism he was very angry. His uncle used his position in the Forestry Department to get Cabinet arrested, for illegally cutting wood. But God is faithful and true! God allowed Cabinet to get in contact with the Governor through a mutual friend. The Governor was enraged and demanded that the Police and Forestry Department release Cabinet. Please keep Cabinet in your prayers! **(Luke 12:12-13)**

### Meet Masalu



Masalu is a Landuma and was baptized in Kimia on Nov 13th. He works as a farmer and is invaluable in assisting the missionaries in Kimiya translate the bible into Landuma. After his baptism his wife, Fatumata's, parents threatened to take her back unless he returned to Islam. He refused and

after a delay his in-laws took his wife back. (In Landuma Culture the family retains a large amount of control even after marriage.) Their two oldest children refused to go with Fatumata, and instead stayed with Masalu. Their infant child returned with Fatumata to her parents. Masalu's unbelieving family is very angry by the actions of Fatumata's family, and is threatening violence if Fatumata's family attempts to reclaim the older children. This is quite a change from when Masalu was first saved and they wanted to kill him for

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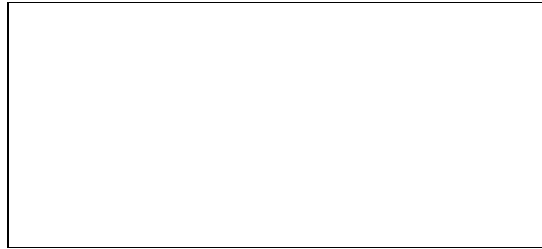
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leaving the Islamic faith. Fatumata wants to return to Masalu, but it is unclear if she will defy her family. Fatumata is not a believer, pray that God will work in her life. Please keep Masalu in your prayers.

**(Matthew 19:29)**

### Meet Ibrahima and Alseni



Ibrahima is a single young man who works in the fields in the sounding villages, and for the missionaries in Hamdallaye. Alseni is a single young man who is unable to work in the fields

## Merry Christmas From Guinea

I want to wish you and your family a very Merry Christmas. God has blessed us all so immeasurably. Take time out of this busy Christmas season to remember God's most precious blessing. His son Jesus Christ, and tell some one else about him.

What is Christmas like in Guinea? Well Hot!!! Not a chance of snow, I don't think it has even gotten below 65° F. This morning I woke up cold and

had to put on some covers, it must have dropped all the way to 70° F. Some of the other missionaries have put up small Christmas trees, but nobody has any Christmas lights up. It would cost too much battery power to turn on Christmas lights. Even though I miss my family and girlfriend, I am so thankful that God has allowed me to serve him in Guinea. May God bless you all.

due to a birth deficit which makes it difficult for him to walk. He has a small store in Hamdallaye.

### Meet Mamadu, Salu and Family



Mamadu is a single young man who is attending school and works for some of the missionaries in Hamdallaye. Salu is married to Aisatou and they have two children. Aisatou is also a believer, but her father refused to allow her to be baptized.

In early December the Islamic League of Boké was going to come to Hamdallaye and tied up the Christians and

question and beaten them until they agreed to return to Islam. And if they refused then they said the Quran gave them permission to stone them. The believers heard about this and were very concerned, but were determined to remain true to Jesus. When the day finally came the Islamic League had a much different message, instead they said that because Guinea was a free country, all they could do is pray that the Christians return to Islam. What happened? Well God was at work for his children. A high government official heard about the Islamic League's plan and threatened to put anyone who participates in religious persecution into prison. Please keep these young believers in your prayers.

**(Romans 13:3-4)**