## LIGHT OF THE VILLAGE INITIATIVE

Establishing Strong and Independent Churches in the Villages of Burkina Faso

Masseko was one of the first believers in the village of Finlandé. The village, which has no other churches or even a mosque, is heavily influenced by the traditional worship of nature and the ancestors. Despite the opposition, Masseko and the other believers of the church shined as bright lights for Christ in the midst of darkness. Today, nearly three years later, Masseko's husband is training for the ministry. The church is sitting on land that her and husband gave us. This is the influence of a single light in the darkness!

By God's grace, we were able to see three churches established in different villages through the circuit preaching ministry. In the villages of Finlandé and Kouentou, God has already given us land to build on. Currently, the churches are just meeting in small temporary meeting places. Both of these churches are growing as they are seeing people saved, baptized, and added to the church. The members are growing in their faith and we are seeing them get more involved in the ministries of their local church. As these churches have grown and matured, they have become true lights for their villages. Now, we are working to make these lights brighter and more permanent. But we need your help!

One very important way in which we can help these churches is by providing a permanent meeting place where they can gather. We have plans already made up to build a 1,200 square foot building for each church. It will cost around \$8,000 to completely finish each one. We have already been able to provide some cement and sand for them, with which the members have been working together to make the bricks for their buildings. As they do some of the work themselves to advance this project, we can help by providing the rest of the materials so that they can continue the work. By partnering with these churches, we can establish a stronger and more permanent light for Christ in these villages!

Thank you so much for everything that you have already done to help us see these villages reached with the Gospel! If you would like to invest in the future of these churches, you can send your gifts to Vision Baptist Missions at:

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and put *Burkina Faso Church Planting* in the memo lines. You can also give online at visionmissions.com

Please let us know about your involvement so that we can be sure that your gift gets put towards the correct project!