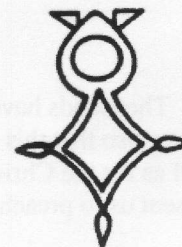


Greetings from Niger!



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February 9, 2012

Dear Praying Friends,

We appreciate your prayers for us and the work in the Sahara Desert of Niger Republic, as well as your faithful financial support.

Thank you for praying concerning the printing of the Cifinagh New Testament. Many have also contributed to this project. At the beginning we ordered two thousand copies to be printed. The required deposit for two thousand copies (50%) was approximately \$5,400. We were able to have this amount sent to the printer on November 20th. Afterwards, many friends continued to send gifts to help with this work. So we were able to double the order, increasing it to four thousand copies! Praise the Lord! Then, as contributions continued to come in, we again increased the order to four thousand five hundred copies! The cost for this is expected to be some \$44,000. This includes the printing and delivery of the nearly four tons of books to the capital of Niger, Niamey. To date we understand that all of these funds have been received. We wish to thank all of those who have contributed to this printing of the New Testament so that yet more of the Kel-Tamajaq people can have access to God's Word.

As these New Testaments are being printed there are several things to pray about. Pray that the printing will go well, resulting in a finished product of the best quality. Pray also for their safe and timely delivery to Niger Republic. Pray for the final stage of their delivery from Niamey to Agadez. We have no idea what the cost will be for this final leg of their transport to Agadez. Pray that God will give us wisdom concerning this part of the project. It is very likely that the monsoon rains will have commenced in the south of Niger when they arrive.

On December 25th we paid for another three months radio broadcasting on the new FM radio station in Agadez. It is reported to me that most everyone in Agadez and the surrounding area within range of the station is now listening to these Gospel broadcasts. Pray for the listeners that God may open their hearts to His Word.

Thank you for praying for Donna. In early January while with me in a Missions Conference in North Carolina she fell and fractured her left wrist. The bone was set there locally, but surgery was advised. An orthopedic surgeon performed the surgery the next week in South Carolina. They placed a metal plate in the arm to reset the bone and insure correct healing. She is recuperating and taking rehabilitation therapy. Pray for her as this heals.

Pray for Ali. During our recent communications with him we realize that he continues to go through trials. We feel that God is calling him into His service. He has been able to move back closer to town. His son Sidi was recently involved in a fight and arrested. They have been able to gain his release by paying a steep fine. Sidi was baptized this past year. Pray that God would use this experience to work in his life and call him as well into the service of the King of Kings.

Pray for Gabe. He has reported to us about some of the recent converts. They continue to follow the Lord. Pray for a special need for Gabe and his family. The owner of the property where they live has sold the property. So Gabe needs a place to live. Pray also for his witness as he continues to testify of his salvation to friends, neighbors and relatives.

Pray for Michel who is still very ill with tuberculosis. Pray for his healing as well as his spiritual progress.

Since about a month ago war has broken out in Mali, country to the northwest of Niger. This war has been started by many of the Kel-Tamajaq of Mali who returned to their country from Libya this past year after the war there. From reports they have taken over much of the north of their own country. As a result many civilians have fled to various surrounding

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countries. Thousands have come into Niger. Let us pray that this conflict will come to a quick end with a minimum loss of life. Pray also that this conflict will not spill over into Niger. And we should pray for the missionaries in Mali and Niger as well as for the Christians in these areas that God will give us wisdom to seize any opportunities that this conflict might present us to preach Christ to these refugees.

This is a very difficult year for the shepherds of the deserts of northern Niger. Pray for our Christian friends among them as they face the extreme heat and increased poverty due to war and famine.

Pray for Brother Jennings and his wife and daughter as they continue their preparations to move to Niger this coming Summer. They are doing well in their French language study. Pray for us as we make plans to help them get settled into Agadez. We are excited about these co-laborers that God has called to help establish His work among the Kel-Tamajaq of the deserts of the north of Niger.

God willing I expect to be back in Agadez soon. We hope to put much effort into the evangelism of many of the outlying areas from Agadez. Pray that God will protect us as we travel. Pray that He will lead us in each step we take as we attempt to reach out to others who have not heard of the salvation that comes through faith in Jesus Christ, the Son of the Living God.

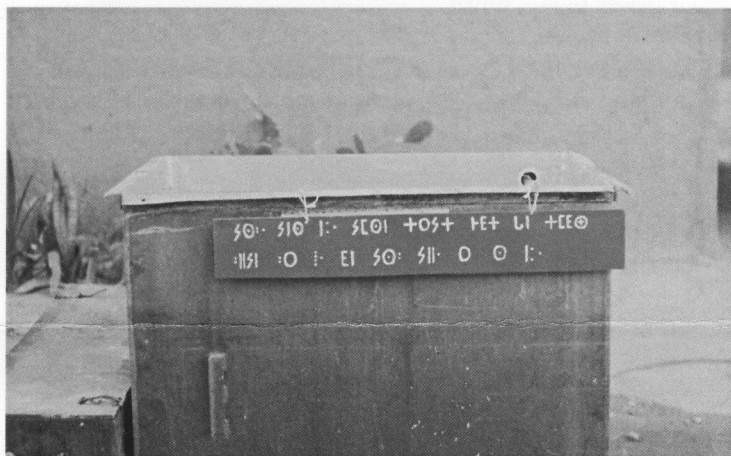
Thank you for your prayers and for sharing with us the burden of making Christ known to those who have not yet heard.

Sincerely in Christ,

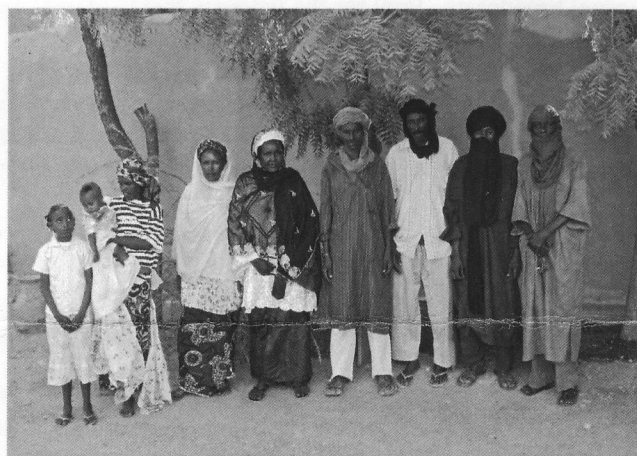
David and Donna Edens

“... as it is written, To whom he was not spoken of, they shall see: and they that have not heard shall understand.”

Romans 15:21



The baptistry used for some of the first believers in Agadez. John 14:6 is written on the baptistry in Cifinagh.



Some Kel-Tamajaq believers after a recent baptism.