

BURKINA FASO

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Burkina Faso is in upper West Africa just north of Ghana. It was formerly known as Upper Volta.

It is one of the poorest countries in the world and has a high population density. About 90% of the population engages in mainly subsistence agriculture. About 40% of the population follow traditional African religions, About 50% are Muslim and about 10% "Christian," mostly Roman Catholic.

It has been the hardest hit country of the Ebola virus. The World Health Organization says the spread of the virus has subsided.

Prayer challenges include the danger of Ebola, poverty, political unrest, and the rise of Islam.