### **Nation of Focus: Chad**

Continent: Africa Capital City: N'Djamena

Government: Presidential republic

Population: 17,414,108 Major People Groups: 11% Sara Gambai; 10% Shuwa (Chad Arab, Baggara); 6% Kanembu; 4% Daza; 3% Marfa; plus 143 others Religion: Muslim 57%, Christian 35%, Ethnic religions 7%,

Baha'is 1% GDP Per Capita: \$1,500 Literacy Rate: 22.3%

UNREACHED GROUPS: 55.5%

### PRAYER POINTS

- Pray for evangelism among an increasing Muslim majority.
- Pray for pioneer missionaries to start to reach the unreached.
- Pray for integrity and honesty to displace government corruption.
- Prayer they would have a heart for the Jewish People and Israel.

### **SUMMARY**

The landlocked African nation of Chad has more than 200 ethnic groups and 120 different languages and dialects. The north is dominated by the Sahara and occupied by Muslims, while the south is lush, tropical, and mainly occupied by Christians and animists. The nation has been ripped apart by civil war, and 80% of the population lives below the poverty line. The Republic of Chad has the fifth highest death rate from HIV/AIDS in the world.

Three decades of civil war plagued the nation after France withdrew its holdings in 1960. Flawed presidential elections were held, and rebellions became commonplace. The government, as is common in Africa, is known for its high levels of corruption. A Muslim minority group, the Zaghawa, control the majority of the government, trade, and armed forces, and they thankfully support religious freedom within the nation. However, dissenting views are rare on broadcast media, as government control prevents other beliefs from holding airtime. Physical infrastructure has been strengthened within the past few years, despite rebellions, as improved road systems have been implemented throughout the divided nation.

Chad is one of the few Muslim nations that welcome missionaries, and many Muslims are craving to hear the Good News. However, in the past thirty years Islam has increased, as have concerns that religious freedoms may disappear. Bible storytelling has proven effective around the nation, and many unreached people are hearing the Gospel for the first time as a result of both indigenous and expatriate missionary efforts. Chad has more unreached people living within its borders than any other African country. Unity is being broken within the Church due to an increase in nominalism and the pervasive practice of indigenous tribalism. Chad has been torn apart as a nation and as a Church. Unification and reconciliation are desperately needed

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# SACRIFICIAL LOVE

Rabbi Jacob Rosenberg PhD

We are commanded to "Love the Lord our God", but what does it mean to Love God? What kind of lifestyle reflects God's mercy and Love?

## **Sermon Questions**

### Read Romans 12:1-3; 1 Cor 6:20; Heb 13:15; 1 Pet 2:5

- How are we encouraged to live?
- What does a Holy life look like? Sacrificial? Worshipful?
- · How do we determine God's will?

### Read Romans 12:4-8; 1 Cor 12:12-27; Eph 4:4-16

What does it mean to act as a body of believers?

#### Read Romans 12:9-21

- · List what changing our lifestyle looks like?
- How does it look concerning other people?

### Read Deut 32:35-41; Psalm 94; Prov 25:21f

- How does it look concerning other people?
- What does peace look like?
- How should we respond to evil?

# **Upcoming Events**

### **Summer of Music Today**

Aug 19th - Vocals: A Song in Your Heart with Scharema Hannibal

Aug 26th - Guitar & Bass: The Guitar Man: with Benny Ramos

High Holidays
Sept 15th - Oct 7th
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Holiday Post Cards available to take and mail

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To Be and Make Disciples of Yeshua the Messiah

## **Our Values**

Love God Love People Pursue Excellence Eager to Grow

## **Our Distinctions**

To the Jewish people First And Also the Nations The Biblical Calendar The Bible as One-Story

## **Torah Portion**

**Re'eh "See"** Deut 11:26-16:17

### **Our Readings**

Deut 11:26-29 Isaiah 55:1-5 Rev 22:7-17



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