## Bambara in Canada



ambara speakers are mostly from Mali in West Africa, but some have immigrated to Canada. They often blend in with other Malian or West African peoples in the new country, especially in regard to African festivals. In deciding which immigrants to admit from developing countries, Canada favors those with a good education and professional skills. Even then, there are language barriers since Bambara speakers speak French only as trade language. Bambara speakers who arrive in Canada are often underemployed. It takes a major adjustment to move from the hot deserts of Mali to the snowy winters of Canada.

## **Obstacles**

The vast majority of the Bambara are Sunni Muslims. The Bambara people have been Muslims for hundreds of years.

## **Outreach Ideas**

Canadian believers can help Bambara in practical ways by helping them to improve their French and learn English. A small fraction of the Canadian Bambara has become followers of Jesus Christ.



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POPULATION: 3,600

LANGUAGE: Bamanankan

**RELIGION: Islam** 

**BIBLE: Complete** 

STATUS: Unreached

## **Prayer Focus**

Pray that Bambara believers would shine Christ's light in such a way that other West Africans will be attracted to Him. Pray for a disciple making movement among West Africans to form in Canada. Pray for the Bambara people to look to Jesus Christ for their spiritual and physical needs.

**SCRIPTURE** Jesus said to them, I am the bread of life; whoever comes to me shall not hunger, and whoever believes in me shall never thirst. Jn 6:35

**PRAY** that this people group hungers for God and begins to feed spiritually on the Bread of life, Jesus Christ.