

# **Campus** Connexion

West Africa Advanced School of Theology \* www.waast.org March 2023

# **Events on Campus**

**This Semester** 

*February 27–April 28* BTh/Diploma Sessions

Upcoming

*May 5 & 7* Registration, MA Sessions

> May 8–Aug. 4 MA Sessions

*TBA* Meeting of the Executive Committee of the Board of Governors

*June 1, 8 a.m.* Entrance Exam - BTh & MA (must preregister)

#### **Please Pray**

• for health and strength for the students and professors.

• for the students' families at home, for God's provision and protection.

• for the refreshing sense of God's presence in the classrooms, chapel, and hearts of each one on the campus during this term.

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Classrooms, the chapel, and the cafeteria are lively places once again as the 2023 academic year begins. This semester 30 new students have joined 45 second- and third-year students. They come from seven nations: Benin (12), Chad (1), Ghana (3), Guinea-Conakry (2), Equatorial Guinea (1), Liberia (3), and Togo (44). We praise God for bringing them safely here (particularly those who traveled several days by road from Guinea and Liberia!) to begin or continue their studies. During the nine-week semester, 19 professors from six nations will be teaching, sharing their knowledge and ministerial experience to

advance WAAST's mission of "Training Pentecostal Servants for *Missio Dei*" (i.e., the mission of God) (*Photo album: <u>https://tinyurl.com/1Sem2023</u>*. *Photos will be added throughout the semester.*)

### **Extension Center News and Prayer Requests**

**BURKINA FASO:** This extension center, in Ouagadougou, is concluding its February/March session, with 20 students. An administrator writes, "We are doing well by the grace of God. However, the security crisis is ongoing. Keep praying for our nation and for the session, that God would glorify His name."

**Kinshasa, DR CONGO:** Sessions continue at the two locations in Kinshasa, with 35 new students. A total of 66 students are attending the day courses and 60 the evening courses. They ask us to "pray that the Lord would renew the students and teachers."

Please pray for the students and administration of the Assemblies of God Bible Institute, on the



same campus, as they mourn the recent passing of their director, Rev. Arthur Yembe. Rev. Yembe passed away suddenly on his return home from a Bible school trainers conference in Kenya. He graduated from WAAST in 2004 (BTh) and in 2018 (MA). Pray as well for his wife and six children and for the church he served as pastor.



**SENEGAL:** This center held courses in January and February in two locations for 13 first-year students. Six pastors and a pastor's wife met for morning classes at the Bible institute in Keur Massar, and six lay workers met in the evenings at a church in Dakar. Pray for these who are preparing themselves for more effective service in this Muslim-majority nation. Pray also that those who have started the WAAST program in the past would be able to complete it.

Romuald Hanss (row 2, far left) from WAAST's central campus, with extension coordinator Rev. Waly Sarr (row 2, second from left) and the students at Keur Massar.

# First Semester 2023: A New Year of "Training for Missio Dei"