

Translation Update: Mbembe people group, Cameroon

As Mbembe translator Emmanuel Echebi began to preach in the small Cameroonian village of Jevi, the village head immediately stopped him.

“I want all of my people to hear the Gospel in Mbembe so they will repent from their evil,” he called out to Emmanuel. The village head then sent the town crier throughout the village, inviting people to come hear the Good News. Ten minutes later, the place was filled, and Emmanuel shared God’s Word with them all, focusing on the theme “Jesus the only Savior.”

After the sermon, twenty-three elderly men and women left the service, saved and shouting, “We will be followers of Jesus, the only Savior, until we die!” They had never been to church before, but they asked to be baptized, devoting their lives to Christ.

Witnessing these miracles, the Presbyterian pastor, who does not speak Mbembe, stood up in public and bought an alphabet chart, promising to learn how to read and write Mbembe. “I have seen that the Mbembe people like to hear the gospel in their mother tongue,” he said. “I must learn how to preach in the mother tongue.”

Please continue to pray for these new Mbembe believers in Cameroon. Praise God!

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