

**WEST CENTRAL AFRICA DIVISION OF  
SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTIST**

**WEST AFRICA UNION MISSION  
YEAR-END REPORT 2020**

# INTRODUCTION

- ▶ In Testimonies for the Church, Vol 5, p.711, states, "A crisis awaits the people of God. A crisis awaits the world. The momentous struggle of all ages is before us. Events which for more than forty years we have upon the authority of the prophetic word declared to be impending are now taking place before our eyes. We will know what the result of this movement will be. But are we ready for the issue? Have we faithfully discharged the duty which God has committed to us of giving the people warning of the danger before them?"

# INTRODUCTION

- ▶ The West Africa Union Mission is comprised of three countries namely Guinea, Liberia and Sierra Leone. There are five fields that made up the Union namely, South-West Liberia Conference, Sierra Leone Mission, Central Liberia Mission, South-East Liberia Mission and Guinea Region.

# POPULATION

- ▶ Guinea has a total population of 12.41 million persons.
- ▶ Liberia has a total population of 4.94 million persons and
- ▶ Sierra Leone has a total population of 7.976,983 million persons. According to United Nations data.

# ADVENTIST MEMBERSHIP

WAUM FIELDS	2015 - 29,308	2020 - 42,641	3rd Quarter
Central Liberia Mission	4,494	6,386	
Guinea Region	1,801	2,640	
Sierra Leone Mission	8995	12,205	
South-East Liberia Mission	1664	3,822	
South-West Liberia Conference	12,254	17,588	
Total	29,308	42,641	

# NUMBER OF ORGANIZED CHURCHES

- ▶ There are 123 organized churches in WAUM
- ▶ Central Liberia Mission 36 Organized Churches
- ▶ Guinea has 6 organized churches
- ▶ South-East Liberia Mission 19 Organized Church
- ▶ South-West Liberia Conference has 21 organized churches
- ▶ Sierra Leone has 53 organized churches
- ▶ Total Organized Churches 123

## NUMBER OF COMPANIES

- ▶ WAUM has a total of 172 Companies
- ▶ Central Liberia Mission has 37 Companies
- ▶ Guinea has 28 Companies
- ▶ South-East Liberia Mission has 24 Companies
- ▶ South-West Liberia Conference has 17 Companies
- ▶ Sierra Leone has 66 Companies

## WORKFORCE IN WAUM

- ▶ There are 100 workers in WAUM
- ▶ WAUM Office----- 11
- ▶ Guinea Region----- 7
- ▶ Central Liberia Mission----- 10
- ▶ South-East Liberia Mission----- 10
- ▶ Sierra Leone Mission ----- 40
- ▶ South-West Liberia Conference ----- 22



## ISE IN West Africa Union Mission

- ▶ The Union is blessed with two ISE families. The Rafi family from Pakistan who are currently serving in the Union Headquarters in Liberia and the Fernandos from the United States of America who are currently serving in Sierra Leone.

## EDUCATION

- ▶ As per the chart below there are a total of 53 schools in WAUM.
- ▶ 29 Primary Schools
- ▶ 7 Junior High Schools
- ▶ 17 Secondary Schools and
- ▶ one University (AUWA).

# STATISTICAL REPORT FOR SCHOOLS

Conference/Mission	Primary	Junior High	Secondary	Total No. of Schools
Guinea Region	6	0	1	7
Central Liberia Mission	5	5	3	13
South-East Liberia Mission	3	0	1	4
Sierra Leone Mission	9	0	4	13
South-West Liberia Conference	8	2	6	16
Total	31	7	15	53

# BOOK DISTRIBUTION

- ▶ 55,000 Books were distribution in the three (3) countries in WAUM.
- ▶ Thousands magazines leaflets and other literature materials were distributed by the Women Ministries, Children Ministries, Youth Ministries and Church members.

During the period under review there were baptisms conducted by the schools

<b>LEVELS</b>	<b>Total Baptisms</b>
<b>Primary</b>	<b>33</b>
<b>Secondary</b>	<b>787</b>
<b>University</b>	<b>107</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>927</b>

# NEW SCHOOLS ESTABLISHED DURING THE QUINQUENNIUM

Conference/Mission	Total
Guinea Region	4
Central Liberia Mission	5
South-East Liberia Mission	1
Sierra Leone Mission	1
South-West Liberia Mission Conference	8
<b>Total</b>	<b>19</b>

Seven (7) Secondary Schools and eight (8) Primary Schools giving a total of fifteen (15) were rehabilitated during the period under review.

## TOTAL MEMBER INVOLVEMENT (TMI)

### ▶ EVANGELISM

- ▶ During the period under review a lot of evangelistic activities were carried out. Major campaigns were conducted by preachers from outside our Union such as Pastor Kelvin Onungah from Adventist University of Africa (AUA), Pastor Kingsley Anonaba (Executive Secretary - WAD) and a couple from the England. And so many campaigns were conducted by our esteemed pastors in the various fields. These exercises yielded fruits that ended in baptisms.

## . TOTAL MEMBER INVOLVEMENT (TMI)

Conference/Mission	Total Baptisms
Guinea Region	739
Central Liberia Mission	1,792
South-East Liberia Mission	2,178
Sierra Leone Mission	3,210
South-West Liberia Conference	5,334
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>13,253</b>



## NURTURING AND RETENTION

- ▶ The fields in WAUM, observed the ten (10) days of prayer in the month of January every year and testimonies are been shared by church members. Bible Studies are ongoing activities in most of our churches in the Fields. Visitations have been intensified, Sabbath School attendance is gradually increasing and an appreciable number of Small Groups are being established in all fields during the period under review.

## TRAINING ACMS

- ▶ A 5 day ACMS training was conducted in March 25 -30, 2018 in Monrovia, Liberia for field Secretaries and Church Clerks Union wide. Facilitators are Pastor Selom Sessou from WAD and Bro. Baffour from Ghana. Currently WAUM have uploaded 9,701 out of 42,641 on the ACMS, which is about 23 percent.

# SECRETARIAT TRAINING

- ▶ A training for all Union Secretaries was conducted in Monrovia, Liberia by Sister Stella Love Drah.
- ▶ **EDUCATIONAL TOUR AND WORKSHOP**
- ▶ An educational tour and workshop were also conducted for Secretaries in Israel in August 2018.
- ▶ Secretariat on Global Mission workshop in Babcock University Nigeria on July 29 - August 4, 2018.
- ▶ Secretariat/Adventist/Muslim Religion in Abidjan in August 28 to September 6, 2018.
- ▶ Religious Liberty in Rwanda September 13 - 15, 2018.

# MAJOR ACTIVITIES

- ▶ During the period under review the following were achieved:
- ▶ A new Mission Headquarters was built in Gbarnga, Liberia.
- ▶ A Centre of Influence for women under construction in Gbarnga, Liberia
- ▶ 350 acres of Land secured and planted rubber in Gbarnga, Liberia.
- ▶ Another 10 acres of land planted palm fruits in Gbarnga, Liberia.
- ▶ Two parsonages under construction in South-East Mission, Liberia
- ▶ Five new churches under construction in South-East Mission, Liberia
- ▶ Seven churches renovated in the South-East Mission, Liberia.
- ▶ Completion of a large auditorium in South-East Mission, Liberia.
- ▶ A Dental Clinic established awaiting doctor to commence operation in Sierra Leone Mission
- ▶ Adventist Broadcasting Service radio was established in Sierra Leone Mission.
- ▶ Printing of Sabbath School Quarterlies locally in Sierra Leone.
- ▶ Medical Missionary Movement as been established in both Sierra Leone and Liberia
- ▶ Three Churches built in Monrovia, Liberia
- ▶ One new district established in Gbapolu County, Liberia

## TREASURY DEPARTMENT

- ▶ By the grace of our Father in heaven and the cordial working relationship of WAUM officers, the officers remitted the sum of sixty three thousand nine hundred (\$63,900.00) United States Dollars into the West Central Africa Division (WAD) account.

# FINANCIAL STANDINGS

Financial Indicators	October 2019	December 2019	September 2020
Working Capital	65.52%	97.91%	176.28%
Liquidity	8.13%	14.24%	23.05%
Self Support	76.07%	85.75%	89.95%

# MAJOR CHALLENGES

- ▶ The disruption of Corona virus on finances and church attendance
- ▶ Several litigations in courts in Liberia
- ▶ Debts owed by the fields to WAUM.
- ▶ Inadequate Departmental Directors in the Union Headquarters.

## APPRECIATION

- ▶ I extend a heartfelt thanks and appreciation to WAD officers for their counsel, admonition and support given to us at this crucial period of our history. To my esteemed colleagues, I say bravo to you for the cordial working relationship, to my hard working ADCOM, thank you for your support, to the field officers and departmental Directors, may the good Lord richly bless you.
- ▶ Thank you all for listening





