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PRAYER FOR THIS COUNTRY

The Gambia needs prayer as they head to the polls early in December to elect a president. May they desire a fair leader who will lead them into a better future. We pray for the Lord to direct their leaders to respect human rights and fulfill their commitments. Specifically, leaders must commit to protecting freedom of expression and freedom of peaceful assembly. May this new leader understand he must rule, not by might and power, but by the ways of God's Holy Spirit (The Bible, [Zechariah 4:6](#)).

MORE ABOUT THIS COUNTRY

The Gambia is a tiny, peaceful Muslim country. Adama Barrow is the president of The Gambia. Anger and disappointment flare-up in the Gambia after the announcement of the unlikely coalition between the party of former leader Yahya Jammeh and that of his successor Adama Barrow, seeking a new mandate in December. Human rights defenders see this as a betrayal to the victims of Yahya Jammeh's 20 years of rule. Hamid Adiamoh, the editor-in-Chief of the NewDay newspaper in the Gambia said that the party led by Yahya Jammeh held the position that the Gambia would not move forward from that era of tyranny and has brought the country to its knees. Human rights groups in the Gambia have decried the possible return of former President Yahya Jammeh, who ruled the Gambia. Ninety percent of the Gambia population is Muslim, but there is some religious freedom and tolerance. Christians, mostly Protestant, make up 5% of the population.



CHIEF OF STATE

Adama Barrow

HEAD OF GOV.

Adama Barrow

POPULATION

1,968,000

CHRISTIANS

3.1%

EVANGELICAL CHRISTIANS

0.6%

DOMINANT RELIGION

Sunni Islam

PERSECUTION RANKING

Not Ranked

REFUGEES

11,609

LIFE EXPECTANCY

64.6 yrs

LITERACY RATE

50%

POPULATION BELOW POVERTY LINE

48.4%