

# Niger

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## Day 7

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### PRAYER FOR THIS COUNTRY

The communities living in the oil-rich Niger Delta have been devastated by recurring floods. The lack of efforts to safeguard these communities or help them adapt to the conditions brought on by climate change has left them vulnerable and helpless. The region is home to about 30 million people. In Bayelsa, many people live in abject poverty despite years of oil exploration and face environmental degradation. The resultant effects of climate change exacerbate flooding in Nigeria, but poor drainage and waste management systems contribute to the environmental problem. Lack of shoreline protection in coastal communities could increase the risk of erosion and flood disasters. Pray for the government to take immediate action to save the flood-affected people. Pray for the people sinking in deep troubles of life to be delivered by God (The Bible, Psalm 69:2).

Source:

<https://www.downtoearth.org.in/news/africa/how-climate-change-is-wreaking-havoc-on-communities-in-niger-delta-85308>

### MORE ABOUT THIS COUNTRY

Niger is in 33<sup>rd</sup> position in the World Watch report 2022 by Open Doors as Christian persecution is increasing. Mohamed Bazoum is the President since 2 April 2021 and the current Prime Minister of Niger is Ouhoumoudou Mahamadou, since 3 April 2021. Niger is one of the poorest countries in the world where the agricultural economy is frequently destroyed by drought, making it insufficient to support the growing population.

Unfortunately, slavery is still practiced in isolated areas of the country. Nigerian children are trafficked for labor in gold mines, sexual exploitation, and begging. Women are abducted and sold into domestic servitude or prostitution, and young boys are kidnapped for work in stone quarries. Less than one percent of the population claims the Christian

faith. Ninety-seven percent of the nation is Muslim, with 76% of the people listed as unreached ethnic groups. An increased threat of violence from militant groups like Boko Haram against Christians persists.



CHIEF OF STATE

President Mahamadou Issoufou

HEAD OF GOV.

PM Brigi Rafini

POPULATION

20,672,987

CHRISTIANS

0.5%

EVANGELICAL CHRISTIANS

0.1%

DOMINANT RELIGION

Islam

PERSECUTION RANKING

Not Ranked

REFUGEES

147,936

LIFE EXPECTANCY

55 yrs

LITERACY RATE

28.7%

POPULATION BELOW POVERTY LINE

63%