



Pray for

PHILLIP MAGNESS
MUSIC SPECIALIST

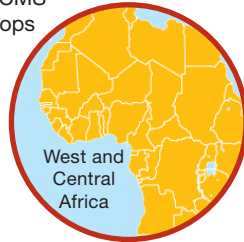
SERVING THE LORD IN WEST AND CENTRAL AFRICA



Phillip Magness serves the Lord through The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod (LCMS) in the French-speaking countries in West and Central Africa (Togo, Guinea, Congo-Brazzaville, Côte d'Ivoire, Benin, Burkina Faso, Congo-Kinshasa and Burundi). As a music specialist, he teaches hymnody and liturgy, composition, and music literacy at the Centre Luthérien d'Études Théologiques (CLET), or Lutheran Center for Theological Studies, in Dapaong, Togo, West Africa, as well as at workshops in surrounding countries. Phillip also advises the LCMS partner church in Ghana on their new hymnal project.

Phillip received a Bachelor of Music degree and a Master of Music degree from the University of North Texas, Denton. He then received his Director of Parish Music colloquy from Concordia University Chicago, River Forest, Ill., in 2013. In addition to serving in this half-time missionary role, Phillip also serves as the Director of Sanctuary Worship at Concordia Lutheran Church, Kirkwood, Mo. Before serving in these roles, he was a cantor at five LCMS congregations in Oklahoma, Illinois and Texas. He also taught workshops on the French edition of the *Lutheran Service Book* in Congo-Brazzaville, in Montréal, Québec and in Togo, and he taught at the Lutheran Theological Seminary in Tshwane, South Africa.

Phillip's wife, Cheryl, is the managing editor of the LCMS' official newspaper *Reporter* and its online version *Reporter Online*. She enjoys reading, blogging, photography, playing the piano and traveling. They have three children - Trevor, Caitlin and Evan - who go to school and work in the United States.



Pray for Phillip as he serves in West and Central Africa. Ask God to keep him safe in his travels. Pray that ears and eyes are opened to hear and see the Gospel proclaimed and lived out in the work God has given Phillip to complete. Pray for the students that they have what they need to travel to the locations where Phillip is teaching. Ask God to give them wisdom, discernment and patience as they adapt what they learn to their cultural context. Pray that the existing relationships between Phillip and local pastors and musicians may be nurtured and that others may sprout up and grow. Let us give thanks to God that Phillip is serving His people in West and Central Africa.

• **BIRTHDAYS:** Phillip – May 31, Cheryl – July 23, Trevor – Oct. 3, Caitlin – Oct. 12, Evan – Oct. 29

• **ANNIVERSARY:** March 15 • **HOME DISTRICT:** Missouri

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