

# Current Situation in DR Congo

January 2026



Children are safe in rented homes but are wanting to return home to Congo for Christ Center.

Last month we happily reported that the leaders of Congo for Christ Center (CCC) were expecting to move the children back to the CCC campus before Christmas. Sadly, just a few days later, the fighting and violence escalated dramatically. The M23 rebels quickly took control of Uvira and continued to control the city. Businesses, schools, and churches were shut down and mostly remain closed. The Congolese army and local fighters have fought back; however, the innocent civilians are caught in the middle.



Our kids have been affected. Many are experiencing fear, emotional distress, and anxiety. Our staff members, who serve with dedication and love, are also un-

Daniel shared: "This Christmas season finds us walking through an extremely difficult time in Uvira. Today the situation remains extremely tense and frightening. Our kids have been affected. Many are experiencing

der immense pressure as they try to care for the children while facing the same situations in their own homes and families.



Food is scarce and prices are escalating dramatically.

Thankfully, they had already purchased the food for December before the violence began. However, it is now time to purchase food for January, and the prices have increased dramatically. Rice has risen from \$25 per bag to nearly \$50 a bag. Other essential items have risen even more, some as much as ten times the normal cost. This is also a big challenge not only for CCC but also for the children we support at Fizi Children's Home. The border with Burundi has been closed since December 10th and the food situation is becoming more critical every day. Illness is also increasing and Daniel reported 21 of the children were suffering from malaria, typhoid and similar diseases.

Daniel says: "Despite all of this, we hold firmly to our faith. We believe that God is present with us even in the darkest moments and that He is using your prayers and support to sustain us. Your encouragement reminds us that we are not alone."

Dear Global Outreach partners, we ask for your prayers and also your support for these precious friends at CCC and in Fizi. We must do all we can for them at this challenging time. Thank you and God bless you!

## Christmas Ministry in Bangladesh



**“Thousands and thousands of people have already heard, and many people have received Him as Savior, and today these many people are living a life of glory and love because of your giving and your generosity.”** What a thrill to read these words and share with you this message from Pastor Sanga after the Christmas worship services he held in the village of Kamseng. In addition to the residents of the village, 335 other guests joined the three day Christmas celebration from neighboring villages.



With great joy we share these pictures of the Christmas worship services, communion service, water baptism, and also times of games, food and giving gifts of soap and candy to the children. Soap and

blankets were given to the elderly, and other prizes for the winners of games. The village families contributed towards the Christmas feast and all joined in to eat together.



These faithful servants work hard and travel at great personal sacrifice to share the good news of Jesus. Your gifts make it possible for them to continue!

**“We are not only very thankful for the birth of our dear Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ, but also thankful for all of your partners through the years that help to enable us to accomplish all that the Lord has before us!”** Pastor Sanga.

The phrase, **“they devoted themselves to prayer,”** refers to the early Christians’ commitment to prayer as a fundamental aspect of their faith and community life. It is our firm conviction that this organization rises or falls with prayer. Mission work is often met with obstacles—cultural barriers, resource shortages, and unforeseen hardships. These challenges are not merely setbacks; rather, they are opportunities to deepen our faith and witness God’s ability to do immeasurably more than all we ask or imagine. It is through the prayers of partners like you that this ministry can continue to overcome every obstacle and make a significant impact for our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, globally. Would you please consider making a commitment to pray for this ministry at least once a week throughout 2026? Thank you in advance for your vital prayer support this year.

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