

AFRICA ARISE AND SHINE 2025

Information note for all participants

Abidjan, Côte d'Ivoire, 4 – 10 August 2025

The Authentic Word Ministry, in collaboration with the Churches of Côte d'Ivoire are organising the Africa Arise and Shine Conference in Abidjan. For the most up-to-date information, participants are encouraged to read this document entirely.

I. Event Overview

• Event Name: Africa Arise and Shine 2025

• Theme: Africa's Matter is your Responsibility.

• **Dates:** August 4 –10, 2025

• Location: Abidjan, Côte d'Ivoire

Africa Arise and Shine Initiative is an International Christian gathering launched in August 2000 in Kigali, Rwanda, with the aim of awakening Africans on the continent and the diaspora to raise, live Christ-Centred lives and play their pivotal roles in the spiritual, social and economic transformation of this beautiful continent. Africa Arise and Shine is an occasion to discuss kingdom insights and revelations about the continent of Africa to make Jesus Christ known and ruler over all spheres of influence on our continent.

In 2025, for the first time in 26 years, it will be held outside Rwanda, marking a historic milestone in Abidjan, Côte d'Ivoire.



II. Essential Dates for Your Calendar

- Africa Together Let's Plan, Pray and Meet | 03 August @5:00 PM @Eglise
 Evangélique de Réveil Internationale de la Riviera Bonoumin
- Summit on 7 Spheres | 4 8 August @10 AM @Vases d'honneur Centre Kodesh |
- Evangelism, Intercession and Mission Workshop | 4 7 August @Vases d'honneur Centre Kodesh
- Crusade "Africa Arise and Shine" | 7 10 August @5 PM @Stade Felix Houphouet-Boigny Stadium
- Youth Arise | 9 August @10 AM @Vases d'honneur Centre Kodesh
- Women Arise | 9 August @10 am Eglise Evangélique de Réveil Internationale de la Riviera Bonoumin
- Men Arise | 09 August @10 AM Eglise la Maison de la Destinée

III. General information about Côte d'Ivoire

Côte d'Ivoire, also known as Côte d'Ivoire and officially known as the Republic of Côte d'Ivoire, is a country on the southern coast of West Africa. The official language is French, with local indigenous languages also widely used, including Agni, Baoulé, Cebaara Senufo, Dan and Dioula. In total, there are about 78 languages spoken in Côte d'Ivoire.

The country has a religiously diverse population, including numerous followers of Islam, Christianity and traditional faiths, such as animism.

III. Location

The capital city is Yamoussoukro, which is located in the centre of the country, while the largest city and economic centre is the port city of Abidjan. Côte d'Ivoire borders Liberia to the west, Guinea to the north-west, Mali to the north, Burkina Faso to the north-east, Ghana to the east



and the Gulf of Guinea in the Atlantic Ocean to the south. It is the third-most populous country in West Africa.

III. Visa and immigration requirements

Foreign nationals must obtain a visa from the Côte d'Ivoire embassy in their country or online. Participants may obtain information on the e-visa application procedure online https://shopgov9.zetesft.com/(S(g5bxutkscuiox020qx3hemwr))/Pages/IvoryCoast/ArticleSelection.aspx by email (contact@snedai.ci) or by telephone (+225 2251 0808, +225 0362 6219 or +225 5436 2915). A visa applied for online will take up to one week to process.

A list of embassies of Côte d'Ivoire may be found online : (https://snedai.com).

Information on the country's embassies and consulates may also be found online (https://diplomatie.gouv.ci/missions/ (in French)).

Passports must be valid for at least six months from the time of entry into Côte d'Ivoire.

Participants are strongly advised to seek information on the visa requirements applicable to them from the diplomatic or consular missions of Côte d'Ivoire in their home countries.

Those holding standard passports issued by the following countries do not require a visa to enter Côte d'Ivoire: Austria, Benin, Brazil, Burkina Faso, Cabo Verde, Central African Republic, Chad, China, Congo, Gabon, Gambia, Ghana, Guinea, Guinea-Bissau, Iran (Islamic Republic of), Israel, Liberia, Mali, Mauritania, Morocco,



Niger, Nigeria, Philippines, Rwanda, Senegal, Seychelles, Sierra Leone, Singapore, South Africa, Togo, Tunisia, Türkiye, Uganda, Venezuela (Bolivarian Republic of) and Viet Nam.

Holders of a diplomatic passport or an official service passport are also exempt from the visa requirement.

Travellers who are required to obtain a visa to travel to Côte d'Ivoire must apply for and obtain the e-visa before travelling to the country, as it is no longer possible to apply for a visa on arrival.

Standard single-entry visas valid for 90 days will be issued following an e-visa application.

After the applicant has registered and paid online, and if the e-visa is approved, it can be collected on arrival at Félix Houphouët-Boigny International Airport upon presentation of the confirmation email. A letter of invitation to the Conference or a document issued by a relevant home country authority that proves official participation may facilitate the visa application process.

Applicants are advised to apply for the e-visa online at least one week before the date of travel to allow enough time for the application to be processed.

IV. Currency

The official currency in Côte d'Ivoire is the CFA franc. The euro and the United States dollar can be easily exchanged for CFA francs in banks and in some hotels. Using traveller's cheques can be difficult in Côte d'Ivoire, as they are not often accepted. If participants decide to use them, only traveller's cheques denominated in euros or dollars should be used. Credit cards are more



widely accepted and cash machines are plentiful in major cities. However, credit cards are not accepted at all stores. The exchange rate is \$1 = CFA 570

V. Airport reception and transportation

All participants will be responsible for their own transport on arrival at the airport and at the end of the Conference. Daily transport to and from the venue will also be the responsibility of the participants

VIII. Health requirements

Yellow fever vaccination against yellow fever is required to enter Côte d'Ivoire. Participants must have a certificate indicating that they have been vaccinated. Malaria prophylaxis is recommended before, during and after travel.

IX. Climate

Equatorial and southern savanna types of climate prevail. North of approximately 8° north latitude, the southern savanna type of climate occurs, characterized by the parching wind known as the harmattan, which blows from the north-east beginning in December and ending in February. The dry season lasts from about November to March. The rainy season lasts from April to October. The southern part of the country is wetter than the rest of the country and, because of the low elevation, somewhat warmer. Time zone The time zone for Côte d'Ivoire is Greenwich Mean Time (UTC+0).

X. Electricity supply and voltage

The standard voltage in Côte d'Ivoire is 220 V and 50 Hz. There are two associated plug types, namely, types C and E. Plug type C has two round pins, and plug type E has two round pins and a hole for the socket's male earthing pin, as shown in the figure



Plug types used in Côte d'Ivoire





Type C

Type E

XI. Mobile telecommunications services.

There are three major mobile phone operators in Côte d'Ivoire, namely, Orange (French), MTN (South African) and Moov Africa (Moroccan). A SIM card can be purchased for about \$3. Many foreign mobile phone companies offer roaming services to their customers in Côte d'Ivoire

XII. Security and Safety

At Africa Arise and Shine, the safety and well-being of all attendees are our top priorities. We have partnered with local police and other security agencies to ensure a secure environment at all event venues, including accommodation areas.

Trained security personnel will be stationed throughout the premises, monitoring activities and ensuring a smooth experience for everyone. Additionally, emergency response teams will be available to handle any unforeseen situations.

We are committed to providing a safe and secure atmosphere so that you can fully focus on the event without any concerns. Your safety is our responsibility, and we have taken every necessary measure to guarantee it.



XIII. Why Attend Africa Arise and Shine Conference?

The "Africa Arise and Shine Conference" offers several compelling reasons to attend, as outlined in the provided image and text:

Spiritual Growth & Revival: This suggests an opportunity for attendees to deepen their faith, experience spiritual renewal, and be part of a revival movement.

Leadership & Empowerment: The conference aims to equip and empower individuals, likely focusing on developing leadership skills and fostering a sense of capability and influence.

Networking & Fellowship: It provides a platform for connecting with like-minded individuals, building relationships, and fostering a sense of community and shared purpose.

Worship & Transformation: Attendees can expect powerful worship experiences and a focus on personal and collective transformation, implying significant positive changes in their lives.

In essence, the conference appears to be a holistic event designed to nurture spiritual well-being, develop leadership potential, foster connections, and facilitate personal transformation.

XIV Conference languages

The working languages of the Conference are English and French.

XV. Conference Schedule

A detailed day-by-day breakdown will be released soon. Here's a general outline:

• August 3: Africa Together – Let's Meet Plan and Pray



- August 4–10: Daily Sessions and Workshops and Worship Nights.
- August 7: Opening of the Stadium Crusade of Africa Arise and Shine & Celebrating the Côte d'Ivoire Independence Day while Interceeding for the country.
- August 10: Closing Ceremony & Commissioning

The detailed programme can be accessed from: https://africa-arise.com/agenda

XVI. Registration

If you are traveling from outside of Côte d'Ivoire, please register online at www.africa-arise.com.

XVII. Volunteering & Partnership

Are you looking to make a meaningful impact? We invite you to volunteer and serve on one of the commissions for the Africa Arise and Shine Conference!

Application Process: Check here.

XVIII. Support the Conference: Sponsorship, Partnership, and Giving Opportunities

Your support is crucial to the success of the Africa Arise and Shine Conference. We offer various ways to contribute:

For detailed information on sponsorship tiers and benefits, please contact us directly at info@africa-arise.com. We'd love to discuss how a partnership can benefit both your organization and our mission.



Ways to Give

You can also contribute through these convenient giving methods:

Orange Money: Number: +2250767966018

MoMo:

Number: +2250584114096
 Name: Winfrida Uwamariya
 Location: Abidjan, Côte d'Ivoire

Zelle:

Number: 8179050160

• Bank Wire Transfer:

Account Name: Authentic Development Agency International Inc
 Address: 235 NE LOOP SUITE 202, Hurst, Texas 76053, USA

Account Number: 488073511782Routing Number: 026009593

Bank: Bank of AmericaSWIFT Code: BOFAUS3N

Bank Address: Bank of America NA, 222 Broadway, New York, New York 10038

XIX. Media & Communications

• Press Accreditation:

Guidelines for Media Coverage & Accreditation Process, <u>check here</u>.

• Stay Connected:

Website: <u>www.africa-arise.com</u>

Social Media Handles: <u>Instagram, Facebook, Twitter, YouTube</u>

Official Hashtags: #AfricaArise2025 #AAS

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For all the frequently asked questions reference check our website:

https://africa-arise.com/faq