

The Word Today *Jula*

Jula (Dyula, Dioula) is a Mande language spoken in Mali and surrounding areas.

Mali is a landlocked country in West Africa

Population: 14.5 million

Mali consists of eight regions and its borders on the north reach deep into the middle of the Sahara Desert, while the country's southern part, where the majority of inhabitants live, features the Niger and Senegal rivers. About half the population lives below the international poverty line of \$1.25 (U.S.) a day. A majority of the population (90%) are Muslims.



Listener responses to The Word Today *Jula*:

- *I was a Muslim and I converted to Christianity. Since then my family abandoned me, nobody wants to see me. In the church I attend, nobody visits me. I practically live alone and I suffer. My life knows many mystical attacks that affect my physical health. I ask for your moral support and guidance that will help me to stand firm in Jesus.*
- *I am a Muslim. I am happy to listen to your radio program. The message you preach is the truth. The words you say strengthen me. Today I can say I know a little about the Word of God.*
- *I was very happy to listen to your program "The Word Today" in *Jula*. It was edifying. My mother is Christian, but I was not totally committed to Christianity, but today the words spoken really touched me. I ask you to pray for me so that I can make the decision to follow Christ and His supporters to change my life.*
- *I enjoy listening to The Word today in *Jula*. I listen whenever I get a chance. It helps me to understand and improve my walk with the Lord. Thank you! May God help you in this work of edification.*
- *I was desperate and I had begun to lose hope. Since I gave my life to Jesus Christ my parents are denying me because I have betrayed the Muslim religion. For the past two years it has been difficult for me. On several occasions, I have tried to ask my parents for forgiveness but not to return to Islam. When I listen to your show it reconfirms my position in Christ. Thank you for supporting me in prayer and guidance, I need it.*