Papal visit to Africa

With over 158 million adherents, the Catholic Church in Africa is one of the fastest growing worldwide. The number of priests on the continent rose by 26.7% between 2000 and 2007 - the

> largest increase anvwhere in the world Mar 17-23:

Pope Benedict will hold open-air masses in Yaounde. Cameroon, and in

Luanda, Angola, where he will mark 500 years of Christian evangelism **CAMEROON** Pop: 18,160,000*

Catholic: 4.842.000

ANGOLA Pop: 15.473.000 Catholic: 8,600,000

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500km 310 miles

*Figures from Central Statistical Office of Church, 2007

Source: Vatican

Yaounde

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