

An Introduction to Africa Inland Mission

Reaching Africa's Unreached

**Christ-Centred Churches
Among All African Peoples**



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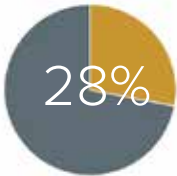


‘I have other sheep that are not of this sheep pen. I must bring them also. They too will listen to my voice, and there shall be one flock and one shepherd.’ JOHN 10:16

Our Purpose

Africa Inland Mission (AIM) is an international evangelical Christian mission agency dedicated to the establishment of Christ-centred churches among all African people. We have our roots in a small band of faithful men and women who, in 1895, ventured to the inlands of Africa, untouched by the good news of Jesus Christ. AIM in Australia and the Asia-Pacific began in 1916, sending the first missionaries to Eastern Africa in 1918.

Today AIM focuses exclusively on making disciples of Jesus Christ among Africans on the continent and with the African diaspora living around the world. Our priority is the people groups yet to be reached with the Gospel.



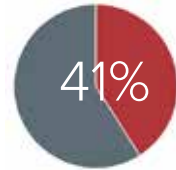
28% of Africa is still unreached with the good news of Jesus.



By 2050, it's estimated that 1 in 4 people on Earth will be African, that's 54% of global growth.

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There are 3,700 distinct people groups in Africa. 1,008 of these are unreached



41% of Africa is Muslim. Islam is dominant in 651 unreached people groups .

Our Ministry Focus

Each AIM Missionary Focuses on One of These Primary Ministries

1

Disciple making among unreached people groups in Africa.

3

Mobilising churches and believers to missional disciple-making with priority for unreached people groups of Africa.

2

Equipping leaders for African churches.

4

Supporting and serving those engaged in 1, 2 & 3.





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Our Vision

AIM remains true to its original calling from 120 years ago, as we set our sights on Africa's remaining unreached peoples wherever they may live — from the centre of Africa to countries around the globe. AIM's five-year vision up until 2020 is to:

- Engage with 20 new unreached African people groups
- Reach 20 already engaged groups, seeing them move from unreached to reached
- Mobilise 400 African cross-cultural workers
- Train 4000 African church leaders
- Facilitate 40 teams among African unreached people groups in countries outside of Africa, among the diaspora



Our Challenges

Today, the places where the gospel is yet to take root are not so much geographical as they are cultural and ideological. Within the borders of any given African country, the Church may be alive and well among one people group and non-existent among another.

Along the enormous northern region of Africa, Islam is dominant among the vast majority. In many of these nations Christianity is simply not welcome. Unreached people groups often have deeply rooted traditional beliefs and may place their faith in spirits, rain-makers, and witch doctors.

Many African churches are unable to provide adequate training and resources to mobilise African evangelists and leaders. AIM wants to see true disciples of Jesus walking in a deep and meaningful faith with the Lord.



Did you know?

Africa is a vast continent. Inside Africa you could fit Australia, New Zealand, Greenland, Canada, and China!



Globalisation has a wide reach. Many Africans own a mobile phone and a Facebook account.



North Region
Central Region
Eastern Region
Southern Region

Our Location

AIM currently has approximately 700 Full-Term personnel serving in over 20 African nations including some islands in the Indian Oceans. Our work is divided into five regions, North, Central, East, South and the Diaspora Region for Africans living around the world.

AIM has seven mobilising regions sending our personnel, this includes — Asia Pacific (Australia, New Zealand and Hong Kong) Canada, Europe, Korea, South America, South Africa and the USA.

AIM is working with 60 African unreached people groups and collaborating with African churches and organisation to mobilise African workers. In 2016, approximately 1,600 African church leaders received ministry and Bible training through AIM activities.

(Note that not all countries are shown for security reasons.)



Our Opportunities

Currently, AIM has more than 220 opportunities available for families, couples, individuals and teams. We seek people with a range of skills, professions and experiences to join AIM's ministry of reaching Africa's unreached people. The key is for people to be open to God, willing to share the gospel and make disciples.

'Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptising them in the name of the Father and of the Son and the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely I am with you always, to the very ends of the age'
MATTHEW 28:19-20



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Full-Term Opportunities

Full term is for those who seek to invest themselves into longer-term ministry. Ranging from one year to an entire career. AIM's Full-Term assignments enable believers to use their gifts, training and life experience to make a difference in the world of mission.

There are two options for full-term service: specific placements and team placements.

Specific Placements

One Or More Years

You don't always have to be a preacher or a Bible teacher to become an AIM missionary. There are many opportunities for people with a wide range of skills and experiences.

We need Administrators, Engineers, Builders, Community Health Workers, School Teachers, Counsellors and Psychiatricians just to name a few! Specific assignments provide the opportunity to join active ministries with your particular gifting in order to fill a need.





Team Placements

Mission outreach and church planting is tough, so to have a group of fellow teammates standing with you in the ups and downs of cross-culture life is huge. Teams bring together men and women with different gifts and abilities, foster interdependence and bring collaboration to the work at hand.

TIMO Teams — Two to Three Years

TIMO stands for Training In Ministry Outreach. TIMO Teams are designed to train new cross-cultural workers. Team members are placed on Gospel-centered teams from the global church and are mentored by experienced team leaders through an on-site training program, helping them to learn how to plant a reproducing church in a cross-cultural context or mobilise existing churches into mission. Visit: www.aimint.org/timo

Focus Teams — Over Two Years

FOCUS Teams are designed to zero in on a particular people group or ministry. Team members are placed on a team of somewhat experienced colleagues with a leader to provide direction and vision; learning through study and experience.

Ministry Teams — Ongoing

Ministry Teams provide a more flexible arrangement. People minister together with a common purpose and strategy. They do not have a fixed study curriculum. These are open to new, seasoned and short-term members.



Short-Term Opportunities

Eager to learn more about your place in cross-cultural mission?

A short-term assignment is a good place to explore this. Our hope is that AIM short-term volunteers will grow in their vision for cross-cultural ministry, and one day enter full-term ministry. We have developed our assignments to nurture that vision.

Short-term assignments help to fulfill long-term ministry goals. Service can be in specific individual placements or in teams.

Specific Placements

Under One Year

If you have a particular skill, like teaching, building or nursing and you feel God calling you to Africa, AIM could have a placement to suit you.

You will live alongside long-term missionaries and be immersed in African life; gaining an insight into different ministries and real understanding for life on the mission field.

Team Placements

Team members will experience the type of work AIM missionaries are involved in with a strong focus on cross-cultural training and learning. There are several team programs that run regularly each year including:

The GO Program — East Africa — Two Months

A discipleship and mission training program that seeks to develop Christ-like character and to instill basic skills for outreach among unreached people.

TIMO QUEST — Various Locations — One Month

Serve among an unreached people group, ministering alongside one of AIM's two-year church planting teams.

Medi-QUEST — East Africa — One Month

A field orientation to a broad range of cross-cultural health ministries, reflecting the diversity of currently available options for medical service.

Farm QUEST — Lesotho — Three Weeks

Providing participants with opportunities to learn Conservation Agriculture as a means of outreach and discipleship

Sports in the Desert — North Kenya — Two to Four Months

Sharing the love of Jesus with youth and children through sports outreach projects.

ABO Children's Program — Kenya — One Month

Serve as part of the team that runs the children's program as part of our African Based Orientation (ABO) designed to introduce the children of new AIM missionaries to life and ministry in Africa.



Connect With Us

Get Ready To Go

Is God calling you to cross-cultural mission?

Do you have a heart for the unreached people groups of Africa?

If these are the questions you are considering and praying about, get in touch with AIM; we will pray with you, advise you and equip you as you prepare for your mission journey.



Email: personnel.au@aimint.org

Application Process

For full and short term placements, the AIM application process will involve:

- Preliminary Questionnaire
- AIM Application Form and References
- Support and backing from your local church\Meeting Bible knowledge requirements
- Formal Interview
- Child, medical and security checks
- Partnership development (prayer and financial support team)
- AIM Orientation in your home country
- For full term Africa Based Orientation (ABO one month)



'We are part of something BIG — the greatest story that God is writing on the hearts of men. He uses ordinary people and insignificant events to further his Kingdom.'

VIRGINIA TANNER AIM MISSIONARY

Pray With Us

Our priority is to have people praying for the unreached people groups of Africa and for our efforts to take the gospel to them and make disciples. Pray Africa is an AIM ministry website full of information, photographs and updates on nearly 50 African unreached people groups. Subscribe for regular updates!



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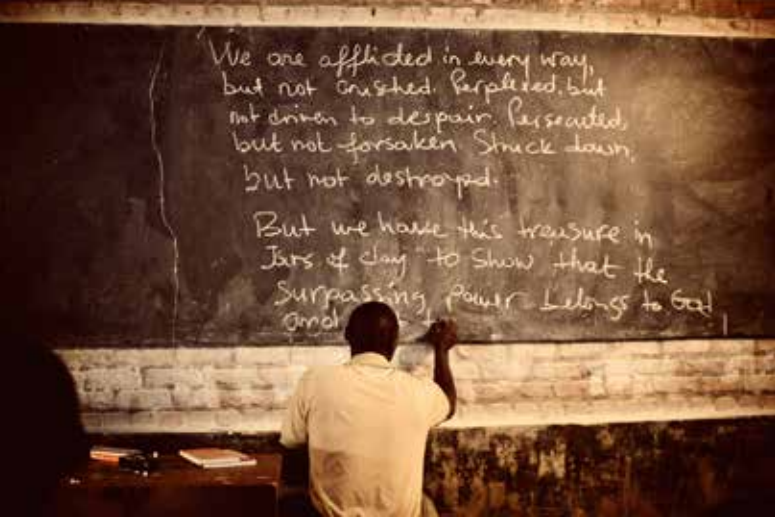
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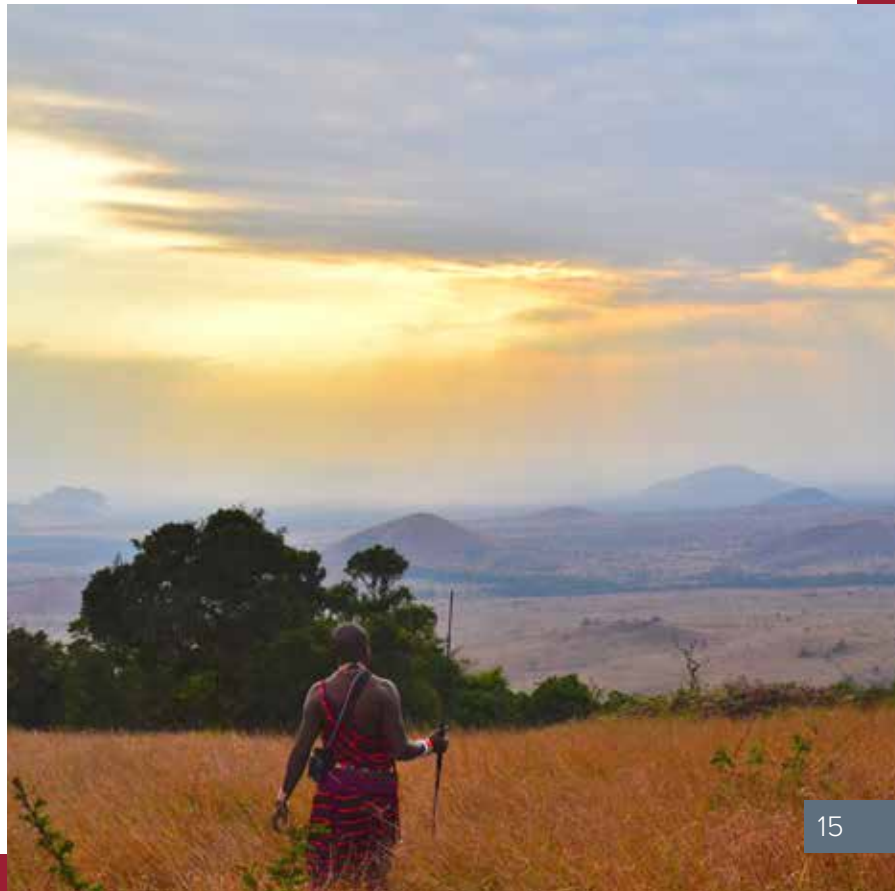
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