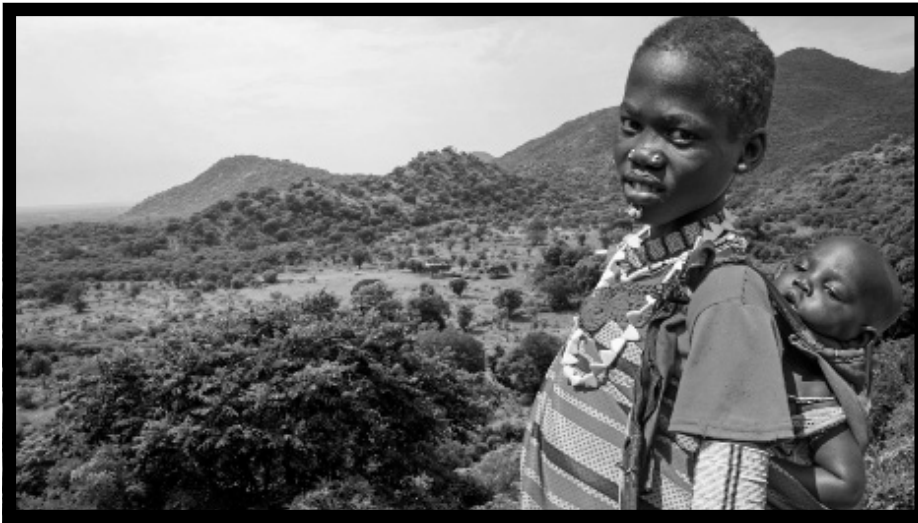


Africa Inland Mission's Prayer Sheets



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Who are the Laarim?

The Laarim live in the Boya Hills of South Sudan, a rugged and hilly terrain with rich savanna, high grasslands and scrub bushes. They live in small settlements, with social and cultural life centred around cattle, with livestock being their only known natural resource. They breed them, eat their meat, use them as dowry to get a bride, drink their blood and milk, and sleep on their hides. Raiding and stealing of cattle is a question of honour and valor. Because of this, they are involved in long standing feuds with their neighbours.

What do they believe?

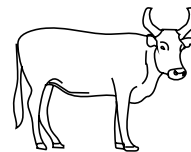
They practice African traditional religion with some Catholic influence. They are highly aware of spiritual forces, and believe in a supreme being who controls all of life, including the health of their cattle. They believe spirits of their departed ones roam the earth and they can communicate with them through prayers and offerings which they perform collectively in designated ritual places. They also believe in a rainmaker and perform rain-making rituals.

What is being done to reach them?

Jacob Borgelt has been living and working among the Laarim since 2013, discipling a small group of believers. Andrew Wallace joined him in 2015, and has been building relationships through a local school. An AIM Focus team, led by Phil and Linda Byler, started in August 2016 to continue the work of making Jesus known among the Laarim.



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Give thanks:

- * For the small, but growing, group of Laarim believers who know the Lord.
- * For Jacob from Canada, who for a long time served on his own in this remote part of South Sudan so that more may hear the gospel. Give thanks for his language skills and experience that he can now pass on to the team.
- * For Andrew Wallace and the gifts of music that he has been given and that he was able to share with the Laarim.
- * For Phil & Linda Byler who are leading the Focus team and for the team members who are living among the Laarim to share the gospel.

Please pray:

- * That the Focus team continues to work well together as they seek to share the gospel and display Christ's love in action.
- * That the cycle of violent cattle raids will be broken. Pray that the younger generation of the Laarim would see and follow the example of Christ rather than that of some of their elders who raid cattle and fight against their neighbours.
- * That the team would be able to build a good and lasting relationship with the community.
- * That the team would stay free from illness.

Who is AIM?

Africa Inland Mission is a missionary organisation that helps churches send gospel workers to work among African people. **TIMO (Training In Ministry Outreach)** is a two-year cross-cultural training programme to equip people for a lifetime of ministry.

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