

Opportunities

TO SERVE IN BIBLE & THEOLOGY



THEOLOGY AND GOD'S MISSION

We long to see African churches communicate the gospel in all its fullness, responding to the lies on offer, and building up believers who will in turn, reach out to their communities. There is a great need to equip African church leaders, preachers and evangelists so that they can serve their churches well and be a part of reaching the unreached through Biblical teaching and Christlike discipleship.

Equipping African church leaders often involves teaching at Bible and theological colleges. The Institute of Bible and Ministry, Tanzania aims to enable, mobilise and inspire pastors and evangelists into a deeper relationship with God so that they can effectively lead their churches. Christian universities such as Shalom University in Bunia, DRC, teach theology as part of courses in other subjects, training students in applying what they believe to their professional work.

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WHO ARE AFRICA INLAND MISSION?

Africa Inland Mission are an evangelical, interdenominational organisation with the vision of, 'Christ-centred churches among all African peoples.' We exist to help churches in Europe send mission partners to Africa, to partner with the African Church in reaching Africa's unreached peoples with the Good News of Jesus Christ.



WHAT IS TIMO?

TIMO (Training in Ministry Outreach) is AIM's two-year training programme with a team approach to learning. It's main focus is to reach the unreached with the good news of Jesus Christ and plant churches that plant churches...



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WHAT CAN I DO?

LONG TERM

Twelve months to a lifetime... If God is calling you to use your skills of mentoring, teaching, or academic support in Africa we would love to partner with you and your church. You could work as a lecturer, or teach English to students so that they can understand their teachers, or give administrative support to help Bible colleges run smoothly. If you are interested in finding out more, please contact us at personneladmin.eu@aimint.org or 0115 983 8130



SHORT TERM

If you have experience in theological training and are looking to spend 3-12 months serving Africa's peoples, our Short Term programme can help. Taking a year out, a career break, early retirement, or just simply wanting to offer up time to serve God, you can apply either as an individual or as a team of two or more. If you are interested, please contact us at shorttermadmin.eu@aimint.org or 0115 983 8128



BUT I DON'T FEEL CALLED TO GO...

"And how can anyone preach unless they are **sent**?" Paul in Romans 10:15 reminds us that senders play just an important role as goers. We are always thankful for the many people who don't go, but faithfully help send others. One vital way that all believers can be involved in overseas mission, is to pray. Visit www.aimint.org/eu/pray for prayer resources to help you pray for the work in Africa. If you would like to financially support the work in Africa, please visit www.aimint.org/eu/give

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EQUIPPED AND TRAINED IN THE WORD OF GOD

Loots Lambrechts works on the Preach the Word training course in Rwanda. He talks about his passion to help the African church be faithful to the truth of the gospel as revealed in Scripture.

AS REVEALED IN THE SCRIPTURES

AIM's focus is to establish *Christ-centered churches among all African peoples*, with priority for unreached people groups. I believe that theological training plays an essential part as we labour towards this end. It is widely recognized that the African church, which has been growing at a rapid pace, is an underutilized force in missions towards other Africans, let alone world missions. Why is this the case? Our Rwandan brothers and sisters say it is because the gospel has not yet penetrated the church deeply. Too many churches have been built on a false gospel, a 'gospel' of extreme legalism, or the prosperity gospel, or on a gospel that has been mixed together with African traditional religion. Many African churches are in desperate need for true Biblical Christianity as revealed in the Scriptures. I believe this is where sound theological training comes in.

BUILT ON THE FOUNDATION

We need to partner with our African brothers and sisters in order to establish Christ-centred churches, churches that are built on the foundation of Jesus Christ, as revealed in all Scripture. Church leaders need to be equipped and trained in the Word of God. Not only to grow in their knowledge of the Word, but also in character and Christian maturity, displayed in a deep love towards those they serve. I believe such training cannot only take place in a classroom, but in the context of a dynamic relationship between students and teachers as they live life together, and where the students are able to see the Christian life being modelled within the family and wider community. Church leaders also need to be trained to communicate the gospel faithfully, in a way that can be grasped and understood by their people, as well as applying it into their lives.

So my passion is not so much for institutional theological training in and of itself, but to equip the church with the true gospel, whatever it takes. What a great day it will be when the African church takes the initiative in sharing the Good News of Jesus Christ with the millions of unreached people groups within her own continent and even beyond!