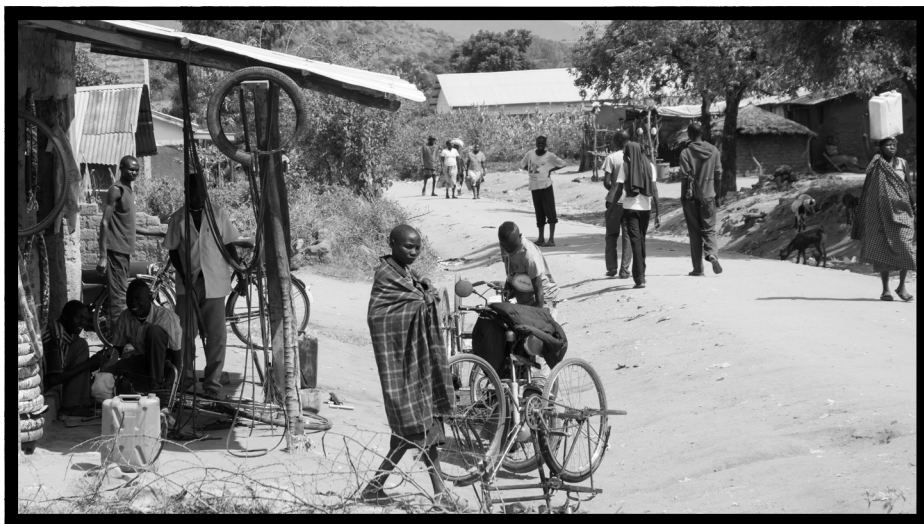


# Africa Inland Mission's Prayer Sheets

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## Who are the Karimojong people?

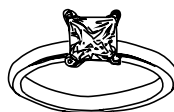
The Karimojong live in Karamoja, northeast Uganda. Historically they have been marginalised and ignored. This isolation is brought about through their reputed fierceness. Until recently, they were defined by high levels of internal conflict and cattle raiding, leading to them being widely feared. This, along with Karimojong resistance to agriculture, has contributed to a general lack of development. Karamoja is now considered to be a safe area, and the Ugandan government is encouraging the Karimojong to begin farming.



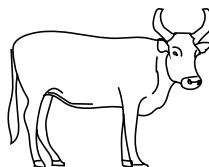
They live in circular huts made out of mud and wood and capped with grass-thatched roofs.



They traditionally dress in plaid wraps they call sheets.



It is a polygamous society where a man may have more than one wife.



The Karimojong believe that all the cattle in the world are their property.

## What do they believe?

While many of the Karimojong will say that they are 'Christian', this is usually not a reflection of a transformed life. For the most part, Christianity is viewed as another way to protect oneself from evil or to bring prosperity, alongside their existing African religions. The Karimojong are a religious people, believing in spirits and many gods. Primarily they believe in a supreme god, but this god is mysterious, not personal, and is responsible for bringing evil into the world as well as good.

## What is being done to reach them?

Two Focus teams began at the start of 2017, one based in Moroto (led by Lyle and Ingrid Lathrop), and one based in Kotido. Both teams are working in several venues and a variety of ministries, building relationships, modelling incarnational living and making disciples. They are also mobilising local churches to reach the unreached among the Karimojong.



## Give thanks:

- \* For the ministries of Lyle & Ingrid Lathrop among the Karimojong, and for the rest of the Focus team members in Moroto.
- \* For Paul & Helen Shepherd and their three children Esme, Martha and Tabitha (UK), Ruth Mahood (UK), and Christine & Bruce Turner (AU) who are part of the Kotido Focus team.
- \* That the Bible is available in full in the Ngakarimojong language.

## Please pray:

- \* For the team members who have been called to the Karimojong as they adjust to a new culture.
- \* That the teams will be quick to learn the language so that they can effectively share the gospel with the Karimojong community.
- \* For the Karimojong to be set free from darkness, to be set free from the bondage of destructive traditions, and to be transformed into the full measure of Christ.
- \* That in time there will be Karimojong believers who are able to disciple and shepherd their own people in a biblical way.

## Who is AIM?

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