# PrayerSheets



## Who are the Zigua people?

he Zigua are found in a small coastal region in northeastern Tanzania, near to to Dar-es-Salaam. Numbering around 631,000 they are part of the Bantu linguistic group with their own language called Zigula. Like many Bantu people the Zigua can trace their history back thousands of years, with their history including the story of their flight east to the coast of Tanzania as they avoided the slave trade. Today many Zigua are involved in the farming of sisal, which is cultivated for its fibre used in ropes and mats.



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## What do they believe?

In 2011 the Africa Inland Church Tanzania (AICT) carried out research among the Zigua of KomSanga village and found them to be absolutely unreached with the gospel. One hundred percent of the village claim to be Muslim. There is no primary or secondary school, water source or medical clinic in the village. The Zigua are desperately in need of both social and spiritual help.



## What is being done to reach them?

The first step for AIM has been to send a two-year Training in Ministry Outreach (TIMO) team into the area in September 2017. The team includes AIM team leaders (Jeremy & Leah Krahn), three AIM households and two AICT families. The team will work together to meet some of the physical and social needs in the community as way of sharing the love of Christ and opening the door for the gospel.



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#### Give thanks:

- ★ For team leaders, Jeremy & Leah Krahn who are beginning this work among the Zigua.
- ★ For the vision of the AICT in seeking to reach this people group.
- ★ That the Zigua welcome the TIMO team working among them.
- ★ For the TIMO team members going to Tanzania to share the hope they have in Christ.
- ★ For a team member who will be homeschooling the other team members' children. Without homeschool support it would have a been a struggle for the team to go ahead

#### Please pray:

- ★ For team members to adapt well to life among the Zigua.
- \* That through their ministries offering medical and community development services to the community, the team will be able to share the gospel effectively.
- ★ That many Zigua would come to know the hope and joy to be found in Jesus.
- ★ That an indigenous church with Zigua leaders will grow out of this ministry.

#### 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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