

and easy to understand. Pray that the gospel would stick in people's hearts and minds, and that it would cut through the many layers of doubt and fear.

26 MAY | SATURDAY

Pray that many Antakarana on Nosy Mitsio would place their faith in Jesus, that they would be disciplined well, that churches would be planted, and that they would birth a church-planting movement that spreads throughout all of northern Madagascar.

WEEKLY FOCUS: THE DATOOGA

The Datooga care deeply for their livestock and go to great lengths to find them suitable pasture. Through hearing the Bible stories, please pray that they would come to understand how God loves them and the sacrifice he made for them on the cross. May they know him as the true Good Shepherd.



For accompanying articles and stories, visit:
eu.aimint.org/datoogamay2018

27 MAY | SUNDAY

As the initial chronological Bible stories are being used in some local Datooga homes, please pray that those listening to the stories would be awakened to our God's grace and saving power. May those who hear the stories have a desire for a deeper understanding of his love.

28 MAY | MONDAY

Rejoice that some Datooga have expressed a desire to know more of God in their own lives. Pray they will have opportunities for their faith to deepen and that they may have a deep foundation to their faith. Pray particularly that in challenging times they

may know God's assurance.

29 MAY | TUESDAY

Give thanks for those Datooga men and women who are currently studying at different Bible schools – thank God for their desire to look deeper at the Word and to serve. Please pray that they will have a heart to reach out to their fellow Datooga and share God's love with them.

30 MAY | WEDNESDAY

Pray for the French family as they relocate to the UK for a period of time in July after 13 years of serving among the Datooga. Please also pray that the Tanzanian pastors and evangelists currently serving among the Datooga would be encouraged and sustained by the Holy Spirit.

31 MAY | THURSDAY

At Christmas time last year, a small group of Datooga men and women made a commitment to Christ, doubling the size of the fledgling church at Mohedagew. Please pray both for these new believers and for those who are discipling them.

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also links to complementary stories and articles which we trust will encourage you to pray with more insight and praise God for what he is doing among African people.

WEEKLY FOCUS: LANGUAGE & LITERACY

Give thanks that 40 key Bible stories have been



translated into the Tanala dialect. Pray that as the Tanala begin to hear the Bible in their heart language, that they would know that the message of the gospel is for them, and that God knows and loves them each individually.

For accompanying articles and stories, visit:
eu.aimint.org/language2018

1 MAY | TUESDAY

Pray for Jurgen and Katja as they continue to learn the Tanala dialect and culture, as this is something that the Tanala see as being very important. Pray that they would learn quickly, and that depending on locals for help would be something that helps them build relationships.

2 MAY | WEDNESDAY

Praise God that the Hofmann family have settled into life among the Tanala and have integrated well into the community there. Pray that their relationships will continue to deepen and that there would be many opportunities for them to share the gospel.

3 MAY | THURSDAY

Pray that the Hofmanns' recent home assignment would have been a time of

refreshment and encouragement, for both them and their supporters. Pray for them as they re-adjust back to life in Madagascar after spending several months in the Netherlands with friends and family.

4 MAY | FRIDAY

Pray for protection for the Hofmann family, as the hot, humid climate means that small health problems can quickly develop into more serious ones, and access to healthcare is not easy. Pray also for safety when travelling on roads that can be dangerous when muddy.

5 MAY | SATURDAY

Pray for Katja as she homeschools their five children, Vanya, Issa, Abbey, Dani and Simeon. Pray that as she prepares lessons, she will be inspired and enthusiastic about the subjects. Pray for the children too, that they will be able to concentrate well and be diligent in their learning.

WEEKLY FOCUS: THE DIGO

For over 20 years, a handful of AIM missionaries have served on the coasts of Kenya and Tanzania among the Digo. Yet, despite this gospel presence, there has been little visible fruit. Please pray for an outpouring of the Holy Spirit on the Digo people, that they may seek after the truth.

For accompanying articles and stories, visit:
eu.aimint.org/digomay2018



6 MAY | SUNDAY

One reason why the Digo are generally hard to reach for Jesus is their adherence to Islam. Pray that they would begin to understand that good works or following rules and traditions cannot earn them a place in heaven. Pray that the love of Jesus would soften their hearts.



7 MAY | MONDAY

Please join us in praying particularly for Jumaa. Over the last 15 years he has been a great help to many missionaries. He has heard the gospel in both Swahili and his heart language. Pray that he would act on the words he has heard and commit his life to Christ.

8 MAY | TUESDAY

Pray for Riziki. She is paralysed from the waist down, and sits outside her home all day and watches life go by. She has been friends with the team for three years and loves to talk and listen but continues to hold tightly to Islam. Pray that God will show her more of him.

9 MAY | WEDNESDAY

Please pray that the whole team working among the Digo would be able to form good relationships. To effectively share the gospel they need to invest in people on a deep, personal level. Pray for wisdom to engage with the right people who will become open to hearing the gospel.

10 MAY | THURSDAY

Often when a Digo person becomes a follower of Jesus it is because of a vision or a dream. Pray that the team would have the joy of talking to more Digo people who have been awakened in this way, and that they would point them to Jesus.

11 MAY | FRIDAY

Please pray for national missionaries and church leaders who are working among the coastal Digo and for the churches who have sent and are supporting them. Pray that more Kenyan churches would grasp the vision of

reaching those who are as yet unreached with the gospel.

12 MAY | SATURDAY

Give thanks that the team have seen Digo people turning to Jesus. They have witnessed wonderful testimonies of God at work through healing, seen evidence of transformed lives and heard of Digo believers sharing the gospel among their communities. Pray that they would disciple and encourage these new Christians well.

WEEKLY FOCUS: UGANDA

Pray that an awareness and understanding of God's plan for all nations will continue to grow in the Ugandan church. Pray for a homegrown strategy for mission mobilisation and sending, and for AIM missionaries to know what their part in this should be.



For accompanying articles and stories, visit: eu.aimint.org/ugandamay2018

13 MAY | SUNDAY

Pray for students in leadership roles within their churches. Pray that they will grow in their faith and understanding of their giftings, and be a witness through their lifestyle. Pray they also manage to balance the demands of their studies with their church roles.

14 MAY | MONDAY

The Kairos course is proving to be a great tool to develop understanding of God's mission and to inspire people to pursue their role in it. Pray for those who have already undertaken the course as they explore their next steps and that many more will take advantage of this opportunity.

15 MAY | TUESDAY

There are many emerging churches teaching a hyper-grace message that it doesn't matter how you behave, as grace has covered it. This

is particularly attracting students and young professionals in Uganda. Pray against this, that those whose ears have been tickled will resist the draw.

16 MAY | WEDNESDAY

Pray for both AIMers and Ugandan Christians who are involved in university lecturing, that we may maintain a witness through our teaching and lifestyle and engage well with students, even when work demands can be tiring and/or frustrating.

17 MAY | THURSDAY

Pray for Christian graduates as they endeavour to find work and establish their post-university lives. Pray that they won't lose their passion and will follow God's leading, even if it means defying cultural expectations. Pray particularly that they will find good church families.

18 MAY | FRIDAY

Freedom of religion make cults easy to establish in Uganda. There are also many who follow a mixture of Christianity combined with traditional beliefs. Pray for those who are trapped, that they will be rescued and the church will know how they can best respond to these cultural challenges.

19 MAY | SATURDAY

Give thanks for the great strengths that there are within the Ugandan church and the rich history in the last century since the East African revival. Pray that people from many other countries and nations will be blessed by this, whether that's through visiting Uganda or by people from here moving elsewhere.

WEEKLY FOCUS: CHILDREN & YOUTH

Living and serving in a remote location has many challenges, especially if you are a parent. Pray that God would provide for and sustain missionary families on the field, and that their children



would develop personal relationships with God. Pray too that they would share in their parents' calling to reach the unreached.

For accompanying articles and stories, visit: eu.aimint.org/childrenmay2018

20 MAY | SUNDAY

Pray for spiritual and physical protection for the younger members of the team living on Nosy Mitsio, the Willard children, Matimu (7) and David (2), and the Orner children, Ruthie (8), Doug (6), and Heather (4).

21 MAY | MONDAY

Pray for Ruthie, Doug and Heather Orner as they learn in school and in life. Pray for their parents Steve and Bekah as they work to model Proverbs 22:6 daily, "Start children off on the way they should go, and even when they are old they will not turn from it."

22 MAY | TUESDAY

Pray for Matimu and David Willard, that they would be a light to the other children in our community. Pray for Matimu to grow in understanding of Jesus and for a personal faith in him, and for David's mind and heart to also be prepared to know Jesus.

23 MAY | WEDNESDAY

Pray for Nuckiline, our Antakarana friend from Ambilobe, as she works to build relationships and share the gospel with people on Nosy Mitsio. She comes to live on the island every couple of months and partners with us in our ministry. She has been a wonderful friend and helper over the last few years.

24 MAY | THURSDAY

Pray that the team would receive full-time, long term, Malagasy co-workers. Pray that the churches in Madagascar would develop a heart for the unreached in their own country and that they would send workers to those harvest fields, including the Antakarana of Nosy Mitsio.

25 MAY | FRIDAY

Pray for our team as we try to share the gospel with the Antakarana in a way that is effective