

24 JAN • FRIDAY

Please pray for the grounds we use to run our camps; that if it is God's will, we would be able to continue running our camps there (there is mention of those grounds possibly being sold).

WEEKENDFOCUS • 25-26 JAN

Please pray for Albert who leads our camp committee as he has started the journey into married life. Pray he and his wife would be a couple that are an example to many other young people.

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Please pray for the camp committee members in general as they meet, plan, think of new ideas for this coming year, and serve in this ministry.

28 JAN • TUESDAY

Please pray for Pacifique and the people involved in getting Tubasange, a Rwandan mission organisation, registered. Its vision is, "that every local church in Rwanda be centred on Christ and involved in inviting the least reached people groups of Africa into God's global worship."

29 JAN • WEDNESDAY

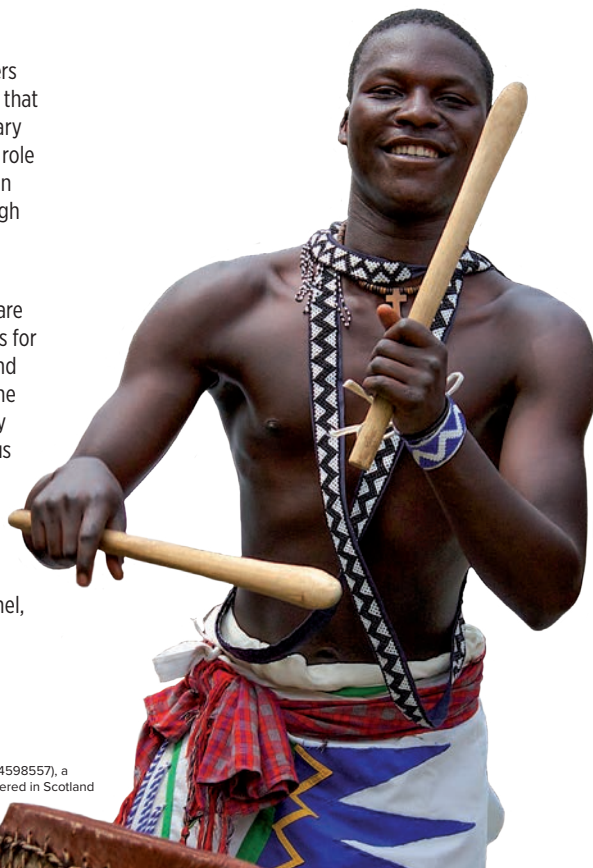
Please pray for the university students and others who have gone through the Kairos Course. Pray that the course would not just have been a momentary discovery of God's heart for the world and their role in God's mission, but that they would live a life in line with our calling as believers, whether through going, supporting, or mobilising others.

30 JAN • THURSDAY

Please pray for the Rwandan missionaries who are serving in different countries of Africa, as well as for Noblesse, who is still raising funds to go back and serve in South Sudan where he had served on the Laarim team. Pray that through their lives, many might come to a personal relationship with Jesus Christ.

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Please pray for our AIM team in Rwanda, that God would give us wisdom as we make decisions about partnerships, activities, personnel, and the future of the NGO which we serve under.



CONNECT

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CONNECT is Africa Inland Mission's Magazine & Prayer Diary. It includes a weekly focus on either an unreached people group, an African country or a ministry area. Each week, there's

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.

AMONG THE ALAGWA

For accompanying articles and stories, visit:

➤ eu.aimint.org/alagwajan2020



Shared by Owen and Miriam Pugh along with their children, Ella, Charlie, Imani and Cerys, have been living among the Alagwa since 2010. As well as discipling believers and helping them establish a church, the Pughs are involved in creating an oral Bible translation of the book of Luke.

1 JAN • WEDNESDAY

Please pray for believers as they seek to work out what it means to be fully Alagwa and follow Jesus. Pray for them as they seek to honour their families, that they will find ways to do that without engaging in cultural practices which dishonour God.

2 JAN • THURSDAY

Pray for many Alagwa to understand their need to be clean on the inside, not just have the external appearance of good works. Pray for repentance and changed hearts, and that this ultimately may be a greater witness to the Alagwa community.

3 JAN • FRIDAY

Sickness is quite often thought to be sent by ancestral spirits and there are ceremonies to appease these spirits. Pray that the gospel will penetrate into every area of Alagwa life, that they will know healing and life to the full.

LONGING TO BE LOVED

For accompanying articles and stories, visit:
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Shared by Kathleen Quellmalz at the Safina Street Network Project.

WEEKENDFOCUS • 4-5 JAN

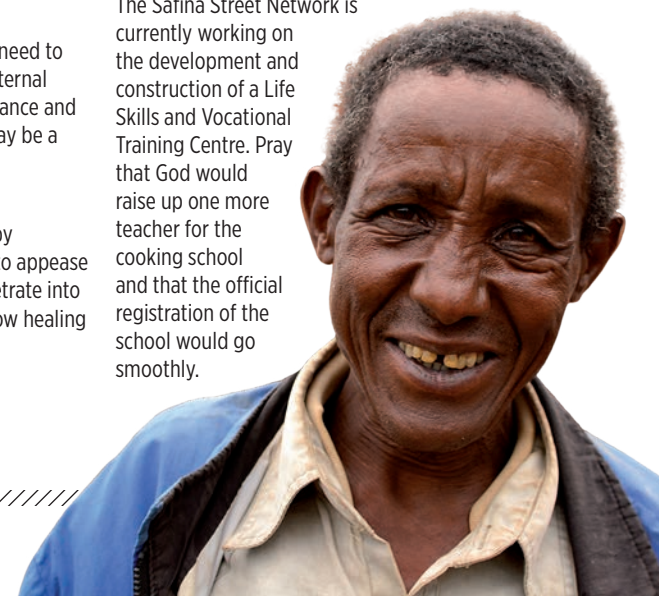
Pray that as Safina Street Network staff share the good news with those living on the streets of Tanzania, these young people would know reconciliation with both God and men.

6 JAN • MONDAY

267 children and young people are currently being helped by the Safina Street Network with their school education. Pray for those who recently sat final exams as they look to the next chapter of their lives. Pray too for the new school budget of 2020, that God would provide for school fees and school equipment.

7 JAN • TUESDAY

The Safina Street Network is currently working on the development and construction of a Life Skills and Vocational Training Centre. Pray that God would raise up one more teacher for the cooking school and that the official registration of the school would go smoothly.



FOLD LINE

8 JAN • WEDNESDAY

Pray that the whole Safina team would seek God's kingdom and his righteousness first in everything they do. Pray that they would see God's leading and guiding as well as his provision for all their needs for this year and beyond.

9 JAN • THURSDAY

Pray for the development of godly leaders in all of Safina's locations. Pray that the structures Safina has set up would promote leadership growth and development, and that leaders would be willing to listen and to follow God's leading as to how he wants Safina to develop.

10 JAN • FRIDAY

500 former street children have become followers of Christ through the work of the Safina Street Network. Join the staff at Safina in praying for them to love and serve their Saviour with an undivided heart. Pray that they would bring about change in their communities so that fewer children end up on the streets.

IN MY OWN LANGUAGE

For accompanying articles and stories, visit:
eu.aimint.org/rendillejan2020

WEEKENDFOCUS • 11-12 JAN

Join us in giving thanks for the completion of the New Testament in the Rendille language.

In Korr, one of Kenya's northern frontier towns, the air seems to be constantly stirring. Traditionally, the Rendille are nomads. Traditionally, they do what they must to survive in a hostile environment. Traditionally, they have no access to Scripture in their language. Things have changed.

The day was a crescendo. What started quietly as a small gathering of local believers and missionaries became a major cultural celebration. The climax featured the most prized possession in traditional Rendille culture – camels. And on their backs were boxes of freshly-printed Rendille New Testaments. Escorting them in was a procession of dancers and singers.

The Bible dedication event marked the culmination of a 37-year translation journey begun by now-retired AIM missionaries Nick and Lynn Swanepoel, who set out to put the Rendille language in written form. The New Testaments represent the combined effort of Africa Inland Mission, Bible Translation & Literacy (BTL), Seed Company, and other partners from around the world.

Rendille Pastor, David Gargule, of the Africa Inland Church, Korr, had the privilege of delivering the first sermon from the Rendille New Testament. He summed up the translation accomplishment saying, "My morning devotional holds deeper meaning now that I can read the words of God in my own language."

13 JAN • MONDAY

Pray for the Lord to strengthen and encourage Rendille Christians who are seeking to share the gospel more widely. Pray that the Scriptures will be loved, cherished, read, taught and obeyed in Rendille households, and for the Word of God to spread rapidly.

14 JAN • TUESDAY

Tirrim Secondary School, a Christian school among the Rendille, moved location in April. The new site has a better water supply, is closer to the Rendille villages, but further from the local town so students won't be distracted. Pray that the students would benefit from the move.



15 JAN • WEDNESDAY

Please pray for the Muslim students studying at Tirrim school. Pray that the Word of God that is shared would be planted in their minds and that through this God would draw them to himself. Please pray for breakthroughs to encourage staff and students.

16 JAN • THURSDAY

As well as providing the New Testament in the Rendille language, the team were also able to share 500 audio New Testaments for those who can't read. Pray that access to God's Word in their heart language would lead to real transformation among the Rendille.

17 JAN • FRIDAY

Pray that the Rendille people will see the lives of their Christian friends and family and be convinced the gospel is true. Pray that they won't succumb to the influence of Islam, but will instead share the gospel with the Muslim teachers who have been sent to convert them.

A CHANGED LIFE

For accompanying articles and stories, visit:
eu.aimint.org/campjan2020

WEEKENDFOCUS • 18-19 JAN

Jessica Goldschmidt works with youth in Rwanda, coordinating 3d Christian Camps, where young people can explore Christianity and be trained for future ministry. She shares Arnold's story.

Baptised as a Catholic when he was small, Arnold's church attendance actually meant playing outside it. He started taking drugs in secondary school and as he managed to pass his secondary school exams without praying, he figured he didn't need God. His cousin, who is on the camp committee, mentioned our camps to him. He didn't fit the 'target' group for our ministry training camp; he wasn't saved! But he came. He came without a Bible and didn't know what to do during the personal devotion time as he couldn't read the Bible passage. At some point, he told his cousin who lent him his Bible. He could then read but he couldn't understand. One of the counsellors encouraged him to pray and ask for the Holy Spirit to help him understand what he was reading. It worked! During the camp he was introduced to the gospel. After spending time with the camp teachers, he received Christ as his Saviour. Arnold says that was the point when everything changed. He was filled with so much joy. His Christian friends were so happy when he told them. He had tried to change his life on



his own before, but he hadn't managed. Now, the drug addiction he had struggled with had completely gone. His friends who were taking drugs with him saw that his life changed. They want the same thing too! He is going to church and has made friends who can help him. His prayer is to see his parents and siblings come to know Christ.

20 JAN • MONDAY

Please pray specifically for the campers who have attended our camps and made a personal decision to follow Christ; pray that they would continue in their commitment and live in obedience to him.

21 JAN • TUESDAY

Please pray for Arnold, that as he lives out his new faith, his parents, siblings and friends would also turn to Christ because of his example. Pray that they would have the right people come alongside them to offer discipleship and encouragement.

22 JAN • WEDNESDAY

Please pray for the Bible study groups that have started in different churches following training camps, that the youth would be transformed as they study God's word together.

23 JAN • THURSDAY

Please pray for Guillaume, who started two new Bible study groups last year in two churches; for courage and perseverance as he meets with those young people.