

## 27 NOV • FRIDAY

African communities have been among some of the hardest hit by Covid-19. Pray for those who are still recovering from the effects of the virus, as well as those who are grieving the loss of loved ones. Pray that they would receive clear information and compassionate care.

## TANZANIA

For accompanying articles and stories, visit:

➤ [eu.aimint.org/ordinarynov2020](http://eu.aimint.org/ordinarynov2020)

➤ [eu.aimint.org/seedsdec2020](http://eu.aimint.org/seedsdec2020)

## WEEKENDFOCUS • 28-29 NOV

Thank the Lord for priceless local believers, including Joshua Kishiwa, and the thousands like him whom God is using to build his church. May God establish a new generation of young adults who will love and serve him both in the church and in their professional lives.

## 30 NOV • MONDAY

We praise God for the established church across Africa which is so full of mission potential. As AIM seeks to play its small part in mobilising the church both in Africa and in the UK, may we identify where God is already at work.

# 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.

**This edition of Connect and the prayer points make up part one of a two part celebration of all that God has done in Africa over the last 125 years of AIM. We have a focus on each country that AIM is working in, with stories and testimonies (see the web links) and prayer points to be praying for what God is doing in that country.**

## INDIAN OCEAN ISLANDS

For accompanying articles and stories, visit:

➤ [eu.aimint.org/goingnov2020](http://eu.aimint.org/goingnov2020)

➤ [eu.aimint.org/sophienov2020](http://eu.aimint.org/sophienov2020)

## WEEKENDFOCUS • 1 NOV

We praise God for the significant number of long term workers we have on the Islands, however we also would like to start several new teams over the next year. Pray that God would raise up new workers to join these teams.

## 2 NOV • MONDAY

Praise God for the Bible translation projects underway in each island language. Through Scripture apps and social media, we are seeing widespread access to God's Word for the first time. Pray that the Truth would penetrate deeply, bringing conviction that cannot be ignored.

## 3 NOV • TUESDAY

The first two Scripture apps that were released by the team in the Islands had over 1,000 downloads! Give thanks that technology has allowed the gospel to be shared this way. Pray that those who hear the Word would find it as sweet as honey and long for more.

## 4 NOV • WEDNESDAY

Ask for God's continuing protection over and provision for the Bible translation projects. He has provided what has been needed at every step of the way, yet the teams have also seen multiple setbacks. Pray that they might learn to lean on the Lord and trust in moments of frustration.

## 5 NOV • THURSDAY

Pray that we would see God work in power as we pray for people in Jesus' name, that people would be healed and demons would flee. Pray that this would be the year of spiritual breakthrough and that God would draw many into his kingdom of light.

## 6 NOV • FRIDAY

Pray that God would be revealing himself to Islanders through dreams and visions. It is a widely-held belief here that no Islander would or could truly change their religion, and that people follow Jesus in order to get something – money, a job, a visa. Pray that this lie would be exposed.



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## WEEKENDFOCUS • 7-8 NOV

It often seems that the only way Islanders will believe people are truly following Jesus is if they see multiple examples of Christians willingly suffering for their faith - picking up their cross and following Jesus. Pray that the Holy Spirit would give believers the strength to do this!

### 9 NOV • MONDAY

Most local Christians live in fear, afraid their faith will be discovered and exposed. This can make it hard for them to trust others. But we know that perfect love drives out fear! Ask God to reveal the length, width, height and depth of his love, so that believers no longer have to be slaves to fear.

### 10 NOV • TUESDAY

Pray that God would unite the local Christians - within and across the Islands. Ask God to raise up godly leaders for the local church; servant leaders with a heart for discipleship and a vision for God's kingdom.

### 11 NOV • WEDNESDAY

Very few Island women have chosen to follow Jesus. Ask God to open women's hearts, so that they would seek the source of a fulfilled and secure life. Pray that God would reveal to workers what is holding women back from coming to Jesus.

### 12 NOV • THURSDAY

Pray for the mobilisation of African workers - that God would be moving hearts to hear his call, and provide

all that is needed as they step out in faith. There are hundreds of potential kingdom workers right here in the Islands, and lots of opportunities for others to come.

### 13 NOV • FRIDAY

Pray for wisdom for teams on the Islands to know where to invest their time and energy. Pray that God would convict workers when they are working out of their own strength, and teach them to act from a place of rest, in his wisdom and his strength.

## DIASPORA

For accompanying articles and stories, visit:

🔗 [eu.aimint.org/communitynov2020](https://eu.aimint.org/communitynov2020)

🔗 [eu.aimint.org/diversenov2020](https://eu.aimint.org/diversenov2020)

## WEEKENDFOCUS • 14-15 NOV

**If you were to walk along the streets of Cardiff, it wouldn't take long for you to notice the ethnic and religious diversity.**

Why do internationals come here? Some are immigrants whose families have been here for generations. Others are more recent arrivals: asylum-seekers who have left their country in search of a better life; international students who have come to study at one of Cardiff's universities.

Cardiff is home to a large community from the Horn of Africa. We also meet many from North, Central and West Africa. This is the setting where God has placed our family after years serving in Africa. The task is so great, though, that outreach cannot be the exclusive domain of the 'ministry professional'. Please pray for us as we serve alongside local churches in various activities such as an international women's sewing group, women's English classes, Globe Café for international university students and homework club.

### 16 NOV • MONDAY

Pray for believers from closed communities who are involved in internet ministry. Often by sharing the gospel in videos they face significant persecution. But by being open with their identities they can show people from their communities that it is possible to become a Christian.

### 17 NOV • TUESDAY

Pray for those who do come to faith through internet ministry, both among the African diaspora, and in countries where Christianity is not welcome. Pray that changing one's faith will become more acceptable and that people can be discipled in their faith.

### 18 NOV • WEDNESDAY

Give thanks that God determines 'the exact places where we should live... doing this so that men may seek him, and perhaps reach out for him and find him, though he is not far from each one of us' Acts 16:26-27.

### 19 NOV • THURSDAY

Give thanks for the way that Africans, including those from unreached people groups, are now living in the UK. Pray the church in the UK will be intentional in reaching out and sharing the gospel with those who have yet to hear about Jesus.

### 20 NOV • FRIDAY

Pray that those arriving in the UK, confronted with many new things, would not be closed to the gospel, but would have soft hearts to listen to the words of truth. Pray they would begin to question what they've been taught and seek after answers to all of life's questions.

## WEEKENDFOCUS • 21-22 NOV

Pray for more British Christians to be willing to share their lives with Africans around them, and witness to them about the love and hope they have in Jesus. Pray that this positive witness would challenge any preconceived ideas about what Christianity is like and lead to deeper conversations.



### 23 NOV • MONDAY

Give thanks for the religious freedom that we, and African diaspora, enjoy in the UK. Pray that Africans unused to these freedoms would welcome the opportunity to explore Christianity and attend events run by local churches and outreach groups.

### 24 NOV • TUESDAY

Pray for the Holy Spirit to direct AIM's diaspora workers to churches in the UK that are looking to set up outreach to Africans in their communities. Pray that AIM can partner well with churches and equip them to fulfil the Great Commission, locally as well as in Africa.

### 25 NOV • WEDNESDAY

Give thanks for university students who want to be a witness among the nations. We are looking to launch a homework club in Cardiff with students as volunteers. Pray that this would open students' eyes to the needs in Africa, as well as the opportunities to reach out in their community.

### 26 NOV • THURSDAY

Pray for wisdom about when to reopen ministry activities following the pandemic and for discernment about how best to connect with African communities in a post-Covid world. Pray for creative ideas about how to meet people for deep conversations whilst keeping everybody safe.

