

Living Examples



AIM is looking for men and women who are equipped to train church leaders. We need people who will teach in formal and informal settings but all should be able to echo Paul's words:

"Follow my example, as I follow the example of Christ."

1 Corinthians 11:1

"What we are doing is so important and so strategic because what Africa needs more than anything else is hope – and it's Christ who provides that. At our school we are training the people who will take Christ and His Word to Africa. And they are going to change the face of the continent."

AIM Theological Educator

Africa Inland Mission International (est. 1895) is an interdenominational mission organization with the vision to see Christ-centred churches among all African peoples. We serve in over 20 countries in Africa and minister to Africans in the diaspora as well. Our members come from Europe, North America, Asia Pacific, South America, and South Africa.

In the spirit of our founder, Peter Cameron Scott, AIM has a renewed commitment to push even further 'inland', to pioneer work among those in Africa and in the African diaspora who currently do not have access to the Gospel. Scott was inspired by Jesus' words in John 10:16:

"I have other sheep that are not of this sheep pen. I must bring them also. They too will listen to my voice, and there shall be one flock and one shepherd."

Join us in equipping African church leaders



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Training African Church Leaders



“And the things you have heard me say in the presence of many witnesses entrust to reliable men who will also be qualified to teach others.”
2 Timothy 2:2

Leaders Needed

The African continent is a place where churches abound, especially in sub-Saharan Africa. Yet the false teaching of the prosperity gospel (the promise that following Jesus means wealth, good health and success) deceives many. Believers often lack basic biblical teaching which will equip them to have an impact on their societies as salt and light. Issues like corruption, AIDS, ethnic violence and political instability on the continent demonstrate Africa's crying need for Christians who truly know God and deeply love Him, and who can live out the gospel of Jesus Christ in every part of life. All of this begins with well-trained church leaders.



Theological education exists to equip the church to participate in God's mission in this world – it is about following Jesus, learning from Him, growing to be like Him, and so becoming fishers of men wherever He sends (Matthew 4:19).

Bible Schools and Colleges

Partnering with African institutions to help provide formal training for church leaders in structured environments.

Theological Education by Extension (TEE)

Providing basic biblical and leadership training in the place where pastors and leaders live, rather than in an institution. One day a week the students come together in a local setting, be it under a tree or in a house, and study a curriculum together in their own language. Through self-study during the week and discussion/application together on a weekly basis, church leaders are equipped for their ongoing ministry in their local setting.

Mentoring

In some contexts, the development of men and women for roles in church leadership may best happen through one-on-one mentoring relationships. Meeting periodically with leaders in formal and informal mentoring personalizes the interaction and provides an opportunity for in-depth discipleship.



Training Church Leaders

Africa Inland Mission's vision is to see Christ-centred churches among all African peoples. Whether the church is 5 new believers meeting in a home, a group of 20 meeting under a tree or 100 gathered in a building of their own, in order for the church to be Christ-centred they need to have Christ-centred leaders – elders and pastors, women's ministry leaders – men and women who love Jesus above everything else and are equipped to lead their church. Churches need leaders who combine a deep personal humility with an unwavering commitment to the cause of Christ. AIM is seeking to help train men and women who will lead from a life characterized by a radical obedience to the words and teachings of Jesus.

