



Hazels in Africa

Hope with gentleness and respect. 1 Peter 3:15

News from Tsumkwe:

~ Thankfully, the building on team housing is almost done. All cement work has been completed. Doors and windows are not yet finished. There are 2 short term teams coming from South Africa to help with the remaining work. They hope the homes are done and furnished by May.

~ AIM leadership visited Tsumkwe which blessed Zeka and Anita, our team leaders, with lots of prayers, fellowship, and encouragement. They prayer walked around the team member homes and prayed for the San community, neighbors of our team members and the various needs of Tsumkwe.

~ Relationship building is happening already. It is a process and coming along slowly. It is these meaningful relationships that will form the foundation for any kind of activity, ministry, and discipleship.



~Please pray for each of our team members: Robb and Lindsey, Holly, Elannah, Craig and Helen, Adam and Anna, Zeka and Nita as they prepare.

~We thank those that have invested prayers and finances because you care for us and our mission to reach the San with Christ's love for them the least of the least in Namibia.

We loved you so much that we were delighted to share with you not only the gospel of God but our lives as well, because you had become so dear to us.
1 Thessalonians 2:8

We are schedule to leave **June 11, 2015**. We have 6 trunks we are taking to Africa. We are customizing them with stickers from friends and family members. It will be a great reminder of the support and love from home while we are in Africa. So send us a sticker that best represents you or your family.



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We have a dear friend who asks, **why are we still sending missionaries to Africa?** Shouldn't the job be done after more than 100 years?



Africa is a huge continent with 54 countries, 1.1 billion people, 3746 people groups, and over 2000 languages. You can fit the United States, all of Europe, China, India, and Japan into Africa.

According to Africa Inland Mission who serves in 20 of the countries in Africa, there are still 1146 unreached people groups. Of those people groups, 723 people are unengaged, 423 are engaged, and only 51 are engaged by AIM.

What is an unreached people group?

An unreached people group refers to an ethnic group without an indigenous, self-propagating Christian church movement and usually under 2% of population are Christian.

What is the difference between engaged and unengaged?

Unengaged means there is no church planting strategy under way. Engaged means there is commitment to long-term ministry to work in the local language and culture with a church planting strategy under way.

Africa Inland Mission is dedicated to the establishment of **Christ-centered churches among all African peoples**. Our priority is **Africa's unreached**.

The San are the least of the least in Namibia and are considered an unreached people group because there is no self-propagating church among them. Yes, there are a few Christians but unable to disciple others. The majority live without any kind of HOPE for today or the future.

There is still much to be done!

Africa is still the poorest and most underdeveloped continent.

We considered it a **privilege to go, live and serve** among the San.

Right now, we are in the final stages before we are allowed to go. We have completed online Bible classes, Visa applications and medical exams. Our financial deadline is approaching fast. Africa Inland Mission will not allow us to leave until we have 100% pledged monthly support. We are currently at **60.5%** and need **\$1731** more in monthly pledges. Would you partner with us and redirect funds toward an unreached people group and give them the chance to hear the Gospel? Could your monthly support really make that much of difference in the life of someone who has no hope? **Yes it can!!!** *Fill out the enclosed pledge card and send to us or go to our blog and click on "make a pledge".*

I am only one, but still I am one. I cannot do everything, but still I can do something. And because I cannot do everything I will not refuse to do something that I can do.

Helen Keller
