



**Saturday, February 1 - Digo of Kenya and Tanzania** - "Men of Athens, I perceive that in every way you are very religious" (Acts 17:22 ESV). A Digo Team member writes: "I know many very devout and religious Digo women who try their best to please Allah through multiple daily prayers, conservative covering of themselves, and adherence to a strict code of behavior. These Muslim women of the eastern coast of Africa are indeed religious in every respect. Please pray for these precious people to desire a relationship with God through Jesus Christ. May they see that following Jesus is life giving and the only way to salvation."

**Sunday, February 2 - Sub-Saharan African Peoples** - "Africans on Mission, an indigenous movement for healthy African churches to identify, train, and send out African missionaries, asks that we pray for African churches to overcome the dependency mindset. May they take to heart the African proverb: 'From small creeks, rivers are formed.' Pray for the churches to join together in this task for which we were commissioned by our Lord Jesus Christ: 'Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you' (Matthew 28:19-20 ESV)."

**Monday, February 3 - Johannesburg, South Africa - (Joh-HAHN-is-burg)** - Of the 5.6 million residents of Johannesburg, 2.7 million have come from another country. With at least 66 different people groups, there is a great need for a missions' presence amid the non-English-speaking sections of this global city. Please pray for God to send laborers who are called to specific people groups in Johannesburg, for "in you all the families of the earth shall be blessed" (Genesis 12:3 ESV).

**Tuesday, February 4 - Basotho of Lesotho and South Africa - (BAH-soo-too)** - Stan and Angie Burleson, Basotho Team members in the highlands of Lesotho, ask for prayer as they visit a Great Commission Christian organization in Mohale's Hoek district on January 21-23. They will be meeting with them to observe, strategize, and plan to see how they might partner with them to train the churches in orphan care. This organization is Basotho led and run. It will be an opportunity for the Basotho to train the Basotho. Pray for discernment as they seek God's will in possibly partnering with and learning from this organization. Also pray for travel safety as they drive to and spend a few days in this different area of Lesotho. "Learn to do good; seek justice, correct oppression; bring justice to the fatherless, plead the widow's cause" (Isaiah 1:17 ESV).

**Wednesday, February 5 - Wassulu of Mali, Guinea, and Cote d'Ivoire - (WAH-soo-loo)** - "Seeing God bring additional indigenous laborers to work among a people group is a great joy and praise for any missions effort, and the Wassulu work is no exception. Pastors and evangelists from among a local population, reaching out to their own and neighboring people groups, are critical in sustaining a healthy body of believers and church growth. As current Wassulu workers age and the geo-political concerns in West Africa continue, we are thankful for Ivan, who has recently been vetted as a candidate for Bible school and then to work among the Wassulu. Concerning the need for younger and additional brothers in Christ to join us, the oldest Malian Wassulu worker recently said, 'The Lord is beginning to answer our prayers!' Join our team in giving thanks to God for Ivan, and begin praying for his well-being spiritually, physically, and emotionally, as the challenging journey of obedience continues in his walk with the Lord."

**Thursday, February 6 - Jula of Cote d'Ivoire, Burkina Faso, and Mali - (JOO-luh)** - Pray for the Christian leaders among the Jula to lead with humility. Isaiah 66:2 (CSB) says: "My hand made all these things, and so they all came into being. This is the Lord's declaration. I will look favorably on this kind of person: one who is humble, submissive in spirit, and trembles at my word." Pray that this humility, as well as love expressed towards others, will compel unbelievers to be curious as to why these leaders are different from other leaders. Pray that these unbelievers will begin asking questions that will open up conversations for these humble leaders to share the hope that they have. "But in your hearts regard Christ the Lord as holy, ready at any time to give a defense to anyone who asks you for a reason for the hope that is in you" (1 Peter 3:15 CSB).

**Friday, February 7 - Democratic Republic of the Congo (DRC)** - The vision of those serving among Sub-Saharan African peoples is to see African churches sending African missionaries to the ends of the earth. Last April, two Congolese pastors joined with hundreds of other pastors from around the world in a conference focused on preparing the church to be a missions-sending agency. On January 21-23, these two pastors have invited other local leaders to a training in which they will learn how to identify where their church is and how to move forward on the path to becoming a missionary-sending church. Please pray for much fruit from this training.

**Saturday, February 8 - Pedi of South Africa - (PEH-dee)** - There is great spiritual darkness over the Pedi people of South Africa. As the new year begins, pray that the Holy Spirit will be strongly at work among the Pedi people to bring about a spiritual awakening so that the people who walk in the darkness of false beliefs will see the great light of the gospel (Isaiah 9:2) and come to salvation in Jesus Christ.

**Sunday, February 9 - Mombasa City, Kenya - (mahm-BAH-suh)** - Please pray for new beginnings and transitions to go smoothly for a new family who will be joining the workers in Mombasa. This family will come to the field with several small children. Pray for the parents to have wisdom and grace. Pray for the children to adjust well and to develop good, solid friendships. Pray that not only will they make friends, but also become "mini-workers" at their new school, sharing the love of Jesus that they have seen from their parents and so many others. The school is predominately Muslim. Pray for protection over their hearts and minds; ask for them not to be influenced or misled in any way with false teaching.

**Monday, February 10 - Karamojong of Uganda - (CARE-ah-muh-jong)** - "In October, you were asked to pray for the churches that were sharing the 'JESUS' film in remote areas. Praise the Lord that altogether, more than 1,200 individuals heard the gospel through this outreach and more than 400 made a decision to follow Christ! Now, the challenging task of following up and nurturing these new believers begins. We ask you to pray for the Karamojong churches and pastors as they continue to share the gospel and develop disciples who, in turn, create more disciples. Please also pray for our Karamojong Team and local partners as they seek out new villages in which to present the 'JESUS' film in 2025, allowing many to hear the good news of Jesus and respond in faith."

**Tuesday, February 11 - Church Planting in Zimbabwe** - Pastor David, along with his wife, Joanna, have been doing church planting in the Eastern Highlands of Zimbabwe since 2020. He says, "The work among the Manyika people has been slow. It is a hard place spiritually, where many prefer their traditional religion or a syncretistic church that mixes traditional beliefs with elements of Christianity. We strongly believe that we are in the right place and that the Lord is in control. Pray for us to remain strong and

faithful." "And let us not grow weary of doing good, for in due season we will reap, if we do not give up" (Galatians 6:9 ESV).

**Wednesday, February 12 - Muslims of South Africa** - David had decided to be intentional about getting to know his Muslim neighbor, Abdul. They often chatted back and forth. One day as they collected their garbage cans, David asked Abdul, "Are you sure you are going to heaven?" Abdul responded that only God knows. Then Abdul asked David, "Do you know that you are going to heaven?" David responded, "Yes, because I was bought with a price on the cross!" Abdul struggled with this. Another day, David asked Abdul, "Does Allah love you?" Abdul responded affirmatively and proceeded to recite the 99 names of God as proof. The problem is that not one of those names is "love." Pray for Abdul, asking that the God of love will capture his heart one day. Pray for his neighbor, David, as he faithfully shares the truth of that love with Abdul.

**Thursday, February 13 - Maputo, Mozambique: Capital City and Province - (mah-POO-too)** - The Southern Mozambique Team writes: "As Nilza and Alyana have been discipled by our team member in the basic commands of Christ, not only have they grown in their desire to reach others and be obedient in following through in their lessons, but they also have started another ladies' discipleship group. They meet online once a week, then once a month in person. They've found what works for them and those they are reaching, and it's so exciting to see their initiatives! They are both college students and are active in their church in children's ministry and reaching women. They've truly 'caught the vision' to reaching generations to come, as they've each separately shared how God has opened their eyes to see the great need of reaching children in the church and in their respective neighborhoods. They have understood their role as 'older sisters' in the church and at home, teaching others what they have been taught. Please pray for Nilza and Alyana to be faithful in spending time in God's Word and in sowing gospel seeds generously among their families and colleagues at school. Pray that God will raise up godly men with whom they can serve God together."

**Friday, February 14 - Equatorial Guinea - (EH-kwuh TOR-ee-ul GIH-nee)** - After the miracle of Pentecost (Acts 2), the new followers of Jesus were baptized, and then they devoted themselves to prayer, fellowship, worship, generosity, and learning more about Jesus from those who had known Him. They grew in number, and they enjoyed the goodwill of the community. Pray for churches in Equatorial Guinea to follow the example of the early church and grow in number and enjoy the goodwill of their communities.

**Saturday, February 15 - Peoples of Ghana** - Two women on the Ghana Team have been trying to participate in a trauma healing training for several months. The timing and scheduling has not worked out so far, but they hope that it will during the first quarter of this year. As they are going through the training, they will lead a group of Ghanaian women through the trauma healing process that they are learning about. Please pray for them to be able to participate in the training in God's perfect timing. Ask the Lord to bring together the right group of women who can benefit from the experience.

**Sunday, February 16 - Dakar, Senegal - (dah-KAR)** - In an area east of Dakar, the capital city of Senegal, a small group of workers are "preparing the field" to plant a church. The strategy calls for establishing a center for training where Bible stories will be incorporated into lessons. Not surprisingly in a country that is more than 97% Muslim, they are running into barriers. They have been searching for nearly a year for a place to rent, only to be denied when the proprietor finds out that they want to include teaching from the Bible. That brings to mind Acts 4:25 (ESV): "Why did the Gentiles rage, and the peoples plot in vain?" Pray for favor from a proprietor, and ask that the proprietor will not object to this use of his/her building. Pray, too, for wisdom for the workers. Perhaps a change of strategy is needed, and if so, then petition for creativity and guidance in establishing an alternate approach. Pray that a group of believers will begin gathering weekly in this region. Pray Acts 19:19-20 for this area, asking that the local residents will abandon their false religion and any magic arts and place their faith and trust in Jesus for the forgiveness of their sins.

**Monday, February 17 - Kampala, Uganda -(kahm-PAH-lah)** - The Kampala Baptist Association has recently been working very hard to select the nine projects to be approved for an upcoming Send Relief Serve Tour to Kampala in March 2025. Ugandan churches received Community Development (CD)

training and were coached to developed a four-day CD project. When 30-plus visitors from Baptist churches in the United States arrive in Kampala, they will join these churches and serve the local communities. Pray for the visitors to have uneventful travel and good health while in Kampala. Pray that the projects will help the Kampala churches serve their communities well.

**Tuesday, February 18 - Durban, South Africa - (DER-bun)** - Daniel is an asylum seeker from Burundi who is living in Durban, South Africa. Like many other refugees, he is often a target of xenophobia and persecution by South African individuals and the authorities. Recently, he has undergone some traumatic events, including having to spend some time in jail until a human rights lawyer was able to get him released. He was in church again the very next Sunday and read before the congregation the memory verse that the church is learning together: "Be strong and courageous. Do not be frightened, and do not be dismayed, for the LORD your God is with you wherever you go" (Joshua 1:9 ESV). Pray that wrongful persecution and mistreatment of legal asylum seekers will stop. Pray for Christians like Daniel to remain strong in the face of persecution.

**Wednesday, February 19 - Nairobi, Kenya - (ny-ROH-bee)** - A worker was completing the teaching of a women's Bible class. She began to tell them how much the Lord loves them and sees them. Many of them nodded and said, "We love you, too." But one woman, with pain in her eyes, stood up and said, "You don't love me. You don't know me." The worker attempted to comfort her, but to no avail. The woman left, never returning to class. The worker struggled with the absence of the woman and how she'd sharply said that she wasn't loved. The Lord continued to reassure the worker and give her strength through His Word and the fellowship of those she'd come to serve. Fast forward several months, and some fellow workers started working in a new area. One day, their co-worker came out to this new area, too. After spending some time there, the workers heard their names called. They saw the woman from the previous Bible study. She'd moved to the absolute opposite side of town. In a city of over 4 million people, God had reconnected them! She was overjoyed to see the workers. Give thanks to God, who made it clear that He does, in fact, see her and love her!

**Thursday, February 20 - Cape Town, South Africa - (KAYP town)** - "During the last week of November, a nightmare occurred for people who live in Westlake, a slum in the southern part of Cape Town. These people already faced a multitude of difficulties daily, but lately, the tough times had increased. An unexpected fire, fueled by gale-force winds, destroyed the meager homes of 23 people, followed by an increase in crime, including gang-related shootings and deaths. Please join our Cape Town Metro Evangelism Team in praying for comfort amid tragedy, for peace where evil and chaos run rampant, and for the Holy Spirit to move mightily in searching and hurting hearts. Pray that the work in this community will bear the fruit of salvation for these people. Pray with us that Genesis 50:20 (ESV) will reign as truth: 'You meant evil against me, but God meant it for good.'"

**Friday, February 21 - Peoples of Madagascar** - Give thanks to God for Malagasy believers whom He has called into leadership roles in their communities! Pray for these local leaders to experience His perseverance, conviction, and provision to become countercultural models of faith and transformed lives. Thank Him for many across the island who desire to follow Jesus. Lift up the many isolated and hard-to-reach groups of eager believers who need faithful leaders, access to God's Word, and discipleship. Thank Him for calling full-time, cross-cultural harvest laborers to Madagascar. Pray for International Mission Board personnel and other expatriate missionaries who are serving in Madagascar. Petition for resilience and creativity in the midst of challenges, for community and encouragement despite isolation, and for humility and trust in response to significant demands and expectations. Thank God for faithful, mature Malagasy men and women who are serving Him and His body across the island! Pray for wisdom as they plan their coming year, for the leadership of His Spirit, and for provision for all that God would have them to do.

**Saturday, February 22 - Peoples of the Islands of Lake Victoria, East Africa** - "The second phase of a 'Training for Trainers' (T4T) training for pastors and leaders on Sigulu Island occurred in November," writes the Islands Team. "The 40 who were being trained represented people from five different island village churches. The participants seemed excited to continue the T4T training that we began in October. That previous training resulted in the start of a new church and seven home Bible study groups. This T4T training took place over five long days and ended with hut-to-hut evangelism and the baptism of nine new

believers! Please pray for the believers on Sigulu Island as we reach island villages with the gospel of Jesus Christ."

**Sunday, February 23 - Angola** - Journeyman Joy Tiebout is a wonderful example of how God can use someone who offers two years of her life to serve with an overseas team. Joy is teaching English as a Second Language (ESL) classes among university students in the city of Lubango as a way to find opportunities to share the gospel and to disciple new followers of Jesus. Joy uses her nursing skills to minister to women in a long-term medical recovery program. She's active in the choir and other activities at her local church. And Joy does all of this in Portuguese, a language she didn't know before coming to the field! Pray for Joy as she continues to minister in Jesus' name. Ask the Lord to continue calling journeymen like Joy to serve in His harvest fields.

**Monday, February 24 Dar es Salaam, Tanzania - (dar es sah-LAHM)** - "The year 2024 has come to an end with all its victories and defeats. We thank God for a new beginning as we press on for the goal of the prize. Please join our Dar Urban team in praying for the millions of lost people who have entered 2025 without knowing Christ as their Savior and Lord. Pray that as we begin this new year, we will not forget our goal of reaching the lost, equipping the saints, assimilating the reached into churches, and leading out in mobilizing prayer. Pray that we will remember in 2025 to keep our eyes on the goal of the prize: seeing the kingdom advance here in Dar es Salaam, all over Tanzania, and throughout the world. 'Brothers, I do not consider that I have made it my own. But one thing I do: forgetting what lies behind and straining forward to what lies ahead, I press on toward the goal for the prize of the upward call of God in Christ Jesus' (Philippians 3:13-14 ESV)."

**Tuesday, February 25 - Conakry, Guinea - (KON-ah-kree)** - In September, workers Erica and Madison led a group of women in Conakry, Guinea, through a trauma healing training. Beth, one of the women who had attended the training, then asked Erica to come and train a group of women who wanted to go back to their village and share the gospel with their family and friends. Give thanks to God for this evangelism training and the seven Guinean women who learned how to share the gospel through Bible stories, such as the one about the bleeding woman! Thank Him for Beth, who took what she had learned and was able to help workers lead two more trainings! Beth approached Erica in December and said that she had another group of women who wanted the evangelism training. Beth wants to come alongside Erica and help lead that training. Pray that Beth will remain steadfast, continuing to be bold, and faithfully share what she is learning with others. Pray that the date and location for this training can be solidified soon so that as many women who want to come will be able to participate. Pray that Erica and Beth will work in unity and discernment as they plan the training.

**Wednesday, February 26 - Northern Coastal Peoples of Mozambique** - War has been rampant in northern Mozambique for seven years now. For many, this news is "old news," but for those who have lost family members, homes, fields, or livelihoods, this news can never be forgotten, especially since the war is still continuing. Please lift up the more than 700,000 misplaced people groups of northern Mozambique. Pray that God's good news will get to every refugee camp, and pray that every heart will have an opportunity to receive Jesus. Please pray that brothers and sisters in Christ will be called to go out to these hard places and share the message of hope with a broken people.

**Thursday, February 27 - Theological Education in Malawi** - Please pray for the pastors and church leaders in Malawi to have the funds necessary to pay for their tuition fees in the new year. Also ask God to provide what their families need, as they will be away from home during the next semester of school.

**Friday, February 28 - West Africans in Paris, France** - Workers write: "Join us in giving thanks to God for providing a location for our English classes that will begin on January 6! A church is graciously sharing classroom space with our team during the week as we seek to reach the West African diaspora community. Please pray for those who will be participating, and ask for more students to enroll as we begin classes. May the Lord use these efforts to make His truths known."

