



GOD CAN be encountered in the African here and now — in farm and forest, and amid the customs and structures of African traditional life. That is the message that rings out clearly in the prayers and praises of Atua Kuma. A farmer in the forests of Kwahu, Madam Atua Kuma had no formal education, but within the fellowship of the Church of Pentecost her observant mind has come to grips with the teaching of the Bible; as a result her faith is no alien religion but that of a black African in her own traditional setting.

In the prayers of Atua Kuma we are privileged to share a humble farmer's firm grasp of God, expressed in African thought-forms: she uses the familiar images of her environment to express those attributes of God — omnipotence, omnipresence, omniscience, perfection — which are often thought of only in the abstract.

Readers whose understanding of God has been clothed in purely metaphysical terms will be challenged by this book to recognize him in the context of their everyday experience.



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