

Upcoming African Public Holidays: Ascension Day & Africa Day 2026 Facts

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1. Which Christian holiday, observed 40 days after Easter Sunday, is celebrated as a public holiday in several African nations on May 14, 2026?

- A) Pentecost
- B) Christmas
- C) Ascension Day**
- D) Good Friday

2. What significant historical event does Africa Day commemorate annually on May 25th, including in 2026?

- A) The end of colonial rule in all African nations
- B) The founding of the African Union
- C) The founding of the Organization of African Unity (OAU)**
- D) The first pan-African trade agreement

3. In 2026, Ascension Day falls on which specific date in May?

- A) May 1st
- B) May 7th
- C) May 14th**
- D) May 21st

4. Which of these African countries officially observes Ascension Day as a public holiday on May 14, 2026?

- A) South Africa
- B) Nigeria
- C) Botswana**
- D) Kenya

5. Africa Day, celebrated on May 25th, is also known by which other name?

- A) African Unity Day
- B) African Freedom Day**
- C) Pan-African Solidarity Day
- D) African Heritage Day