

The Widow's Might

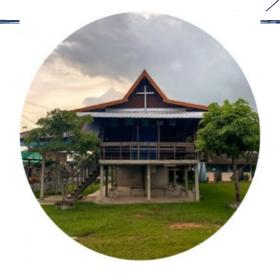
Unreached People Groups

A people group, defined by linguistic, cultural, worldview, or religious identity and not limited to a specific geographic area, that has little or no known Apostolic witness.



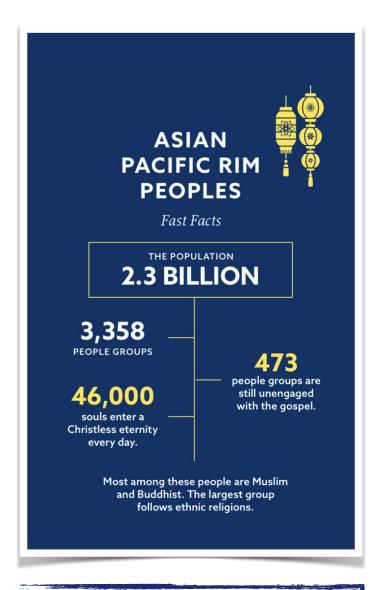


Kui of Thailand



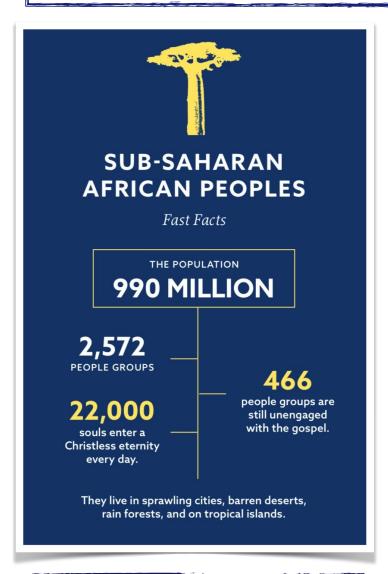
The Kui of Thailand are known for raising elephants and weaving silk. A minority group in Thailand, they have been mistreated and ignored for years. They have recently experienced a revival of their culture and language, and they promote their culture online. But they need a spiritual revival. During the 1990s, a church began to thrive within the Kui community. Unfortunately, the church's influence waned in the 2000s. Now, the people continue in their traditional worship of spirits they believe will heal or bless them, trying to do enough good to outweigh their sins.

Pray that Christians will engage the Kui creatively online.



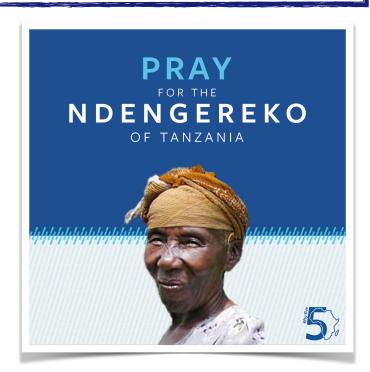
"Behold, I will do a new thing; now it shall spring forth; shall ye not know it? I will even make a way in the wilderness, and rivers in the desert." Isaiah 43:19

Ndengereko of Tanzania



"After this I beheld, and, lo, a great multitude, which no man could number, of all nations, and kindreds, and people, and tongues, stood before the throne, and before the Lamb, clothed with white robes, and palms in their hands."





They practice Sunni Islam, but they often mix their beliefs and practices with animism. They work hard as subsistence farmers, small business owners, and in the tourism industry. Less than 2% of the Ndengereko are evangelical. Over the past 20 years, missionaries have diligently tried to share the gospel with them. Despite their efforts, circumstances have hindered them from establishing a missionary presence. A Tanzanian family of believers is seeking to engage the Ndengereko with the gospel.

Ask the Lord to raise laborers to preach the gospel and extend His kingdom among the Ndengereko.



NORTHERN AFRICAN AND MIDDLE EASTERN PEOPLES

While most Northern African and Middle Eastern peoples are Muslim and will be observing their fasting month of Ramadan, roughly February 28-March 29 this year, everyone in this area is affected by the schedule changes Ramadan brings. Believers in Jesus from different countries and ethnicities have covenanted to pray in unity for their Muslim friends during Ramadan. Will you join them in prayer?

HASSAN LEARNS ABOUT JESUS DURING RAMADAN THROUGH AUDIO BIBLE

Hassan was glad to find the living room empty when he got home. He plugged in his headphones and pressed play. For weeks, he had been listening to God's Word in his own language. The long days of Ramadan can be tiresome, but Hassan was happy to listen to the stories of Jesus. Later, the sound of teacups clattering in the kitchen reminded him that it was almost sunset. A tray of dates and tea was being prepared to break the household's fast. Hassan rose and pressed pause. Soon, the call to prayer would ring out, and he would have to join the men of his neighborhood in the nearby mosque for evening prayers. Though they stood shoulderto-shoulder five times a day, Hassan was growing disheartened with his community. Everyone practiced outward piety-modest dress, ritual prayers, fasting, giving to the poor, listening to Quranic teachings, and saving up money



Men in the Middle East make bread. IMB Photo.

to one day make the Hajj pilgrimage. But the neighborhood was full of gossip, addiction, and disputes. What was the point of all this religious work if nobody truly loved God or their neighbor? Hassan was tired of never knowing if he was doing enough for Allah. Jesus' words were full of love. He wanted to hear more.

Praise God for the many believers who labored for years translating and recording the Bible into Hassan's heart language. Pray for Hassan and many others to hear God's Word and come to faith. "So faith comes from hearing, and hearing through the word of Christ" (Romans 10:17 ESV).



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"Jesus said to him, 'I am the way, and the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me." John 14:6



GOSPEL
TRANSFORMATION
STORY

In March 2024, we prayed for the Sparrow People in the Horn of Africa to hunger for truth and learn who Christ really is. Since then, over 3,000 New Testaments have reached their rural area. Believers there are overjoyed to read God's Word in their own language for the first time. Many are gathering to study it. Some are also sharing the Word with Muslim neighbors. Since the New Testaments were distributed. Muslims, including an Islamic religion teacher, have trusted in Jesus. and new local churches have started. Thank you for praying.

MUSLIMS IN GAZA NEED THE HOPE OF JESUS

In the recent past, women cooked in their apartments or houses during Ramadan. They proudly produced platters of rice and chicken, salads, and fruit as the sun set over Gaza. Now, life is different. Families break the fast in tents or lean-tos, sitting on the ground around a plate with minimal food. They grieve for the loved ones who no longer sit beside them.

Muslims in Gaza fast all day during Ramadan, believing that this will give them merit with Allah. Pray they will hear a different story—one about a free gift, not by their works, but from a Savior who understands suffering and pain because He endured it for all people, including them. Pray that their lives will physically get better, but pray even more that they will experience new life in Christ.

PRAY FOR MUSLIMS OBSERVING RAMADAN IN EUROPE

Muslim religious practices look different in Europe than they do in Northern Africa and the Middle East. While many Muslims still take their faith seriously, Islam is not as widely accepted or understood by European coworkers and peers. Ramadan is a special month for Muslims, recognized as a time of fasting in community. Muslims in Europe miss the unified feeling of fasting along with all their neighbors and coworkers.





Preparing tea for the break of fast. IMB Photo.

Pray for Northern African and Middle Eastern peoples in Europe to realize the loss of community they feel pales in comparison to the loss of not knowing Jesus as Lord. As they fast, pray for their hearts to be open this year to see God for who He really is. Pray for God to clearly reveal Himself to Northern African and Middle Eastern peoples in Europe this Ramadan.

COCO PRAY FOR RAMADAN

Building bridges of friendship is key to sharing your heart and ministering during Ramadan.

WHY PRAY DURING RAMADAN?

During Ramadan, many Muslims have a heightened spiritual awareness, which means it's a crucial time when we can pray for God to reveal Himself to them.

We know that Jesus is the way, the truth and the life (John 14:6). This gospel is good news for all people, in all corners of the world. One day, there will be people from every nation, tribe, people, and language before the throne of God (Revelation 7:9). In the meantime, He has called His Church to the work of prayer (Ephesians 6:10-20).



During Ramadan, Muslims seek to experience taqwa, a heightened consciousness of Allah. To get closer to Allah and be more aware of his presence, Muslims listen to the Quran at public readings and during the late evening hours when families are together reciting the Quran.

The Khunsari follow Islam and live in rural areas near Iran's stunning mountains and springs. Most earn their livelihood through farming and herding. There are no portions of the Bible or gospel resources in their primary language or any known believers among them to share the truth of the gospel.

Isaiah 45:22-23

Turn to me and be saved, all the ends of the earth! For I am God, and there is no other. By myself I have sworn; from my mouth has gone out in righteousness a word that shall not return: "To me every knee shall bow, every tongue shall swear allegiance."

Let's Pray

- Pray for Muslims to be disillusioned with Islam and seek the truth.
- Pray for the Khunsari of Iran to have access to God's Word in their language.
- Praise the Lord for inviting you and "all the ends of the earth" to be saved by turning to Him.

Jesus, I proclaim from the bottom of my heart "You are God, and there is no other." Please draw many Muslims to confess this truth and bow their knees to You. As they work to earn favor with Allah, may they realize the emptiness of Islam and turn to seek You and Your saving grace instead. I pray, Lord, that You will raise up translators and bless them with wisdom and endurance to make Scripture available for the Khunsari people in their heart language. Please open doors across the world for Your Word to be available and accessible to all.



