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1 Karata in Russia

Rugged terrain, pride, and defense of religious traditions keep the Karata people from the sin-forgiving savior. They have a strong form of collective conformity that does not allow them to stray outside their norms. The Karata people have a deep, abiding hunger for unselfish love and true spiritual power that only Jesus can satisfy.

May the LORD give strength to his people! May the LORD bless his people with peace! - Psalm 29:11

- Pray for new believers among this people group to be blessed with strength and peace.
- Pray for a first “Cornelius,” “Lydia,” or “woman at the well” among the Karata to courageously respond to the resurrection power of Jesus.
- Pray that the Word of God will be infused into Karata culture.
- Pray that the translated Lord’s Prayer will have a strong impact on Karata culture.

2 Chamalal in Russia

The Chamalal live in 28 villages in the mountains of Dagestan and Chechnya. They are Sunni Muslims, and proudly so; however, their Islam is tainted with folk beliefs. Terrain, isolation, and religious and ethnic pride are mountainous obstacles between them and Jesus. So, too, is the lack of Scripture.

For my life is spent with sorrow, and my years with sighing; my strength fails because of my iniquity, and my bones waste away. - Psalm 31:10

- Pray that this people group will understand that sin drains and destroys, but the Lord offers forgiveness and spiritual refreshment.
- Pray for Christian linguists to work among them.
- Pray for openness to Dagestani believers seeking to reach them.
- Pray for any who are won to return to rural areas with the gospel.

3 Kist in Russia

In the 1700s, ethnic Vainakh Chechens from Caucasian Chechnya came to be called Kist by the Georgians. In time, they adopted Georgian surnames and learned Georgian along with Chechen. The vast majority are Muslims, not open to the gospel.

Blessed be the LORD, for he has wondrously shown his steadfast love to me when I was in a besieged city. - Psalm 31:21

- Pray that this people group will be drawn to the unfailing love of the Lord, our eternal Heavenly Father.
- Pray that the Kist people will become spiritually hungry and begin to seek salvation in Jesus alone.
- Pray for an interest in the New Testament.
- Pray the Holy Spirit will guide these people into a movement for Christ.

4 Kantarure in Brazil

The Kantarure of Brazil became a people more than a hundred years ago and have an indigenous religion. Brazilian laws seek to reduce contact between outsiders and the indigenous peoples. Many in the church are ignorant of the Kantarures’ existence.

I will instruct you and teach you in the way you should go; I will counsel you with my eye upon you. - Psalm 32:8

- Pray for this people group to accept the Lord’s guidance and salvation.
- Pray that the church will come to know of the Kantarure’s existence and be willing to reach them for Christ.
- Pray churches in Brazil will adopt them for evangelism and church planting, sending missionaries to them.
- Pray the Kantarure people become spiritually hungry and open to Jesus Christ.



5 Kuruaya in Brazil

There are writings about the Kuruaya of Brazil dating to the seventeenth century. They have had problems with raiders, and they were almost extinct in the 1960s. As a consequence, they and other indigenous Brazilians are now protected by the government. Outsiders are not allowed into indigenous areas. Agriculture is their main work.

Many are the sorrows of the wicked, but steadfast love surrounds the one who trusts in the LORD. - Psalm 32:10

- Pray for many from this people group to notice this stark difference and turn to the Lord.
- Pray that any nearby indigenous churches will be led by God's Spirit to evangelize these people.
- Pray for dreams and visions of Jesus to open the people to the gospel.
- Pray that the chiefs and leaders among the Kuruaya will come to Jesus Christ and lead the others to salvation.

6 Paiaku in Brazil

The Paiaku were once a large group of indigenous people who lived in east central Brazil. They refused to submit to the Portuguese colonizers. Almost all the Paiaku were wiped out by disease, war, and slavery. Today, the Paiaku are a tiny group of people who have lost their original language and now speak Portuguese. They make their living by agriculture, fishing, and hunting-gathering.

He loves righteousness and justice; the earth is full of the steadfast love of the LORD. - Psalm 33:5

- May this people group seek and find the Lord's unfailing love!
- Ask the Lord to preserve the Paiaku along with their culture and traditions.
- Ask the Lord to send workers to the Paiaku to tell them about their Savior.
- Pray the Paiaku would be successful in their legal battles to retain their lands.

7 Idaksahak in Algeria

The Idaksahak have been Sunni Muslims for over 1,000 years. Being Muslim is a part of their personal and group identity. There are few, if any, Idaksahak followers of Jesus, so they need to hear from those outside their community.

Blessed is the nation whose God is the LORD, the people whom he has chosen as his heritage! - Psalm 33:12

- May this nation choose the Lord, and no other!
- Pray for an intense spiritual hunger among the Idaksahak people that will lead to many coming to Christ.
- Pray for loving believers to go to the Idaksahak and tell them of their Savior.
- Pray for the Lord to provide the Idaksahak people with adequate rainfall as an example of His goodness and power.
- Ask the Lord to raise up a growing church among the Idaksahak.

8 South Asian Jew in India

The Jewish state of Israel was founded in 1948. Since that time, most of the Jews of India have migrated to Israel. The Jews who remain in India live in large cities like Mumbai and Kolkata. Very few Jews remain in India.

Our soul waits for the LORD; he is our help and our shield. For our heart is glad in him, because we trust in his holy name. - Psalm 33:20-21

- May this people group rejoice in the Lord always.
- Ask the Lord to send Holy Spirit anointed workers to the Indian Jews.
- Pray that the JESUS Film will effectively reveal the glory of Jesus to Jews in India.
- Ask God to open the spiritual ears of the Indian Jews as they listen to Christian radio broadcasts.
- Ask the Lord to raise up a movement to Jesus among the Jews of India.

9 Brahmin in Bhutan

A small Brahmin group makes their home in the Himalayan kingdom of Bhutan. Since Bhutan is primarily a Buddhist nation, the rights and privileges of being a Brahmin are not as pronounced as they are in Hindu parts of South Asia. The Brahmins are well-educated, and they are landowners and businesses.

Let your steadfast love, O LORD, be upon us, even as we hope in you. - Psalm 33:22

- Pray for this people group to give their love and devotion to the Lord and be rewarded with hope and joy forever.
- Ask the Lord to send loving workers to the Brahmins of Bhutan.
- Pray that the Brahmins would be open to reading the Assamese Bible and investigating the claims of Jesus Christ.
- Ask the Lord to raise up a disciple making movement among the Brahmins of Bhutan.

10 Kharga in Egypt

The Selima Kharga are Bedouins who live in Egyptian desert areas. Bedouins live nomadic lifestyles, leading their camels, goats, and sheep to sources of water and food. Governments discourage this type of life as it makes collecting taxes difficult. Some Kharga young people are moving to cities looking for a better life. Nomadic peoples are some of the most challenging to reach with the gospel. Missionaries would have to follow the Kharga in their seasonal travels throughout the desert.

I will bless the LORD at all times; his praise shall continually be in my mouth. - Psalm 34:1

- May many from this people group praise Him at all times!
- Ask the Lord to send loving workers to the Kharga of Egypt.
- Ask the Lord to open the hearts of Kharga leaders and elders.



11 Siwa Berber in Egypt

The Siwa people mostly live in the Siwa oasis, a very remote, arid desert location in the far west of Egypt, close to the Libyan border. They live in a compact, walled town and in several outlying villages. Although the Siwa observe Islamic fundamentals, many pre-Islamic traditional beliefs persist. Tourists visit the Siwa Oasis.

Those who look to him are radiant, and their faces shall never be ashamed. - Psalm 34:5

- May there be many from this people group who look only to the Lord for help, and may they be filled with joy and peace.
- Pray for the Lord to use visitors to the Siwa Oasis to share Christ.
- Ask the Holy Spirit to soften the hearts of Siwa Berbers and Egyptian leaders towards the gospel.
- Ask the Lord to raise up a network of strong local churches among Siwa Berbers.

12 Chinese in Angola

Thousands of construction workers, engineers, doctors, cooks, and petroleum engineers have migrated from China to Angola. They are extracting oil and developing Angola's damaged infrastructure. Angola is one of China's largest suppliers of oil. The Chinese companies are using local materials, but hiring Chinese employees. The Angolans resent this situation, and there has been a lot of crime against the ethnic Chinese.

Your steadfast love, O LORD, extends to the heavens, your faithfulness to the clouds. Your righteousness is like the mountains of God; your judgments are like the great deep; man and beast you save, O LORD. How precious is your steadfast love, O God! The children of mankind take refuge in the shadow of your wings. - Psalm 36:5-7

- Pray for this people group to understand the vastness of the Lord's faithfulness and righteousness. May they be drawn to Him.
- Pray for protection for the Chinese.
- Pray that Chinese believers will worship the same Lord with Angolan believers as an example of unity and love.
- Pray for a disciple making movement to grow among the Chinese in Angola.



13 Swahili in Zambia

The Swahili in Zambia identify with Islam; however, many of their traditional pre-Islamic beliefs and practices still exist. The Swahili have folk explanations for natural occurrences. By African standards, the Swahili are economically prosperous, and this prosperity can render God “unnecessary” in their minds.

For I am ready to fall, and my pain is ever before me. I confess my iniquity; I am sorry for my sin. - Psalm 38:17-18

- Pray that this people group finds peace and salvation when they confess their sins to the Lord.
- Pray for the Lord to give the relatively prosperous Swahili people the humility to come as beggars to the only one who can save them from sin and spiritual death.
- Ask God to raise up Christian businessmen who will boldly share Christ with the Swahili.
- Ask the Lord to raise up a network of strong local churches among the Swahili.

14 Bathari in Oman

Bathari is a language of southern Oman, but fewer than 20 people speak it. The others from this people group have moved on to speaking Omani Arabic, Oman’s trade language. The Bathari people need to put their identity in Christ, especially as they are in the process of losing their identity as a distinct people group.

As a deer pants for flowing streams, so pants my soul for you, O God. - Psalm 42:1

- Pray for this kind of longing for the Lord among today’s people group!
- Pray they will have a spiritual hunger that will open their hearts to the King of kings.
- Pray for workers who are driven by love and by the boldness of the Holy Spirit.
- Pray for a disciple making movement among them to begin soon.

15 Aguri in India

The Aguri are a cultivating and trading caste. They are mostly located in West Bengal. The Aguri only know about Hinduism. They believe that by performing rituals and good works, they will attain freedom from the endless cycle of birth, death, and rebirth. Their basic needs are education, medical facilities, and water wells. By meeting some of these needs, missionaries can build relationships with them.

By day the LORD commands his steadfast love, and at night his song is with me, a prayer to the God of my life. - Psalm 42:8

- Pray for many from this people group to find the Lord’s unfailing love and respond with praise and worship.
- Pray for improved schools, roads, water, and medicine for the Aguri.
- Pray for good harvests for farmers so that they can provide for their families and see God’s provision.
- Pray for a disciple making movement.

16 Ahom in India

Ahom people have intermarried with other people groups. Most Ahom people practice the Hindu religion, but some are Buddhists. Some follow their old Furalung religion. They worship ancestors, believing they will keep them safe. They believe that when a dead person goes to heaven, he becomes a god to be worshiped. The complete Bible has been translated into the Ahomese language.

Send out your light and your truth; let them lead me; let them bring me to your holy hill and to your dwelling! - Psalm 43:3

- Pray that this people group will respond to the Lord’s light and truth.
- Pray that God will give the Ahom dreams and visions, leading them to salvation.
- Pray the Indian Christians will help them begin their own movement to Christ that will bless their community for eternity.

17 Pinjara in Bangladesh

The Pinjara derive their name from the term pinjala meaning “cotton weaver.” Their traditional occupation is cleaning and reeling cotton to make pillows, quilts, and mattresses. They can be Muslim or Hindu. Very little ministry activity has been focused on the Pinjara people.

The princes of the peoples gather as the people of the God of Abraham. For the shields of the earth belong to God; he is highly exalted! - Psalm 47:9

- Pray that the Lord will find honor and worship from today's people group. May they understand that they belong to Him.
- Pray for many from this large unreached people group to understand both God's judgment and his majestic glory.
- Pray for faithful intercessors to rise up among Pinjara people until there is a strong movement to Christ among them.
- Pray for a spiritual hunger that will lead them into a disciple making movement.

■ **18 Tamboli (Muslim) in Bangladesh**

The Tamboli derive their name from the Sanskrit term for "betel leaves" (tambula). Tambul or betal leaf packing is their primary source of their income. Many Tamboli people work as small business traders and hardware shop owners because of their higher or "clean" caste status.

The Mighty One, God the LORD, speaks and summons the earth from the rising of the sun to its setting. - Psalm 50:1

- Pray that today's people group will respond to God's summons to come to Him!
- Pray that the betel leaf and areca nut industry could be penetrated with the gospel so that many Tamboli, whether Muslims or Hindus, could know the God who gives abundant life.
- Pray that the Holy Spirit will give opportunity for the JESUS Film to be shown to the Tamboli people.



■ **19 Rangrez (Muslim) in Bangladesh**

Rangrez people traditionally dye cloth. They were originally Hindus worshiping many gods, but Muslim missionaries converted this people group to Islam many centuries ago. Christian businessmen could find a way to purchase Rangrez-made goods for the world market. This effort would give them regular contact with this spiritually needy Muslim community in Bangladesh.

Wash me thoroughly from my iniquity, and cleanse me from my sin! For I know my transgressions, and my sin is ever before me. - Psalm 51:2-3

- Pray for true heart-felt repentance to come to leaders of this people group.
- Pray that Almighty God will give Rangrez leaders dreams and visions leading them to opening their community to salvation through Christ alone.
- Pray for the Holy Spirit to give Rangrez leaders a hunger and thirst for true righteousness that will lead them to Jesus Christ.

■ **20 Balinese in Malaysia**

Many Balinese people live on the nearby Indonesian islands of Lombok, Lampung, Sulawesi, South Kalimantan, Sumbawa and Papua, and Malaysia, a beautiful country near Indonesia. Close-knit societies make it especially difficult for a member to find their way to the cross.

Against you, you only, have I sinned and done what is evil in your sight, so that you may be justified in your words and blameless in your judgment. - Psalm 51:4

- Pray that leaders among this people group will understand the depth of their sin just as King David did.
- Pray that Balinese elders in Malaysia will experience dreams and visions of Jesus that will open their hearts to him.
- Pray that Balinese Hindus embrace Christ and turn completely to him alone.
- Pray for a disciple making movement among the Balinese in Malaysia that will spread to their communities in Indonesia and Australia.

21 Baha'i in Nepal

Three principles form basic Bahai doctrine: the unity of God, the unity of religion (that all major religions have the same spiritual source and come from the same God), the unity of humanity (that all humans have been created equal). People need to know and love God through prayer, reflection, and being of service to humanity. Jesus is but one of many divine messengers. The religion was initially seen as a sect of Islam.

Purge me with hyssop, and I shall be clean; wash me, and I shall be whiter than snow. - Psalm 51:7

- May members of this people group be broken, and willing to repent and follow the Lord.
- Pray for the hearts of the Bahai to be open to God's truth.
- Pray for them to understand that Jesus stands far above all others.

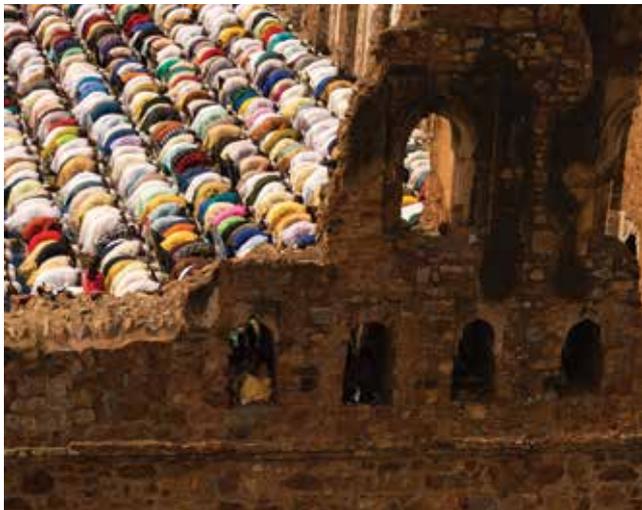
22 Arghun in Pakistan

As Sunnis, the Arghun believe that God has predestined their fate. Because Allah is considered distant and unapproachable, they also believe in the spirits and seek to appease them. They have no concept of a sin-forgiving savior.

Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me. - Psalm 51:10

Pray for leaders among this people group to have hearts that seek to be clean before the Lord, and that they will teach others His ways.

- Pray the Arghun communities of Pakistan will have a growing interest in Jesus the Messiah.
- Pray they will be captivated by Jesus and that He will draw the Arghun to himself.
- Pray for a movement to Christ among the Arghun people.



23 Arora (Muslim traditions) in Pakistan

The Arora of Pakistan are a resilient people, having endured severe persecution during both the Arab and Moghul invasions. Though some practice Hinduism, approximately 255,000 follow Islam. Though known for religious tolerance, few, if any, have accepted Christ. They think they are spiritually satisfied, not looking to the only one who provides life to the full.

Restore to me the joy of your salvation, and uphold me with a willing spirit. - Psalm 51:12

- Pray that when some from this people group accept the ways of God that they will be refreshed with joy and share it with others.
- Pray for the Arora to be open to the good news and respond to God's invitation to salvation.
- Pray prominent Arora will find Jesus, the only way to eternal life.
- Pray that God will raise up Arora believers as his ambassadors to those without Christ.

24 Harni in Pakistan

The Harni have a history of mercenary work, crime, and burglary that has followed them to the present day. They continue to struggle with this reputation. They are Sunni Muslims. The Harni people need to find ways to earn a good, constructive living. They need to be able to support their families.

The sacrifices of God are a broken spirit; a broken and contrite heart, O God, you will not despise. - Psalm 51:17

- Pray for the Lord to break the spirits of members of this people group and bless them with joy of salvation and mercy.
- Pray for the Lord to raise up workers who will help the Harni people find good ways to make a living.
- Pray for the Harni culture to be renewed.
- Pray for the Holy Spirit to move among Harni family and community leaders and give them a desire to seek his face.

25 Bashgali in Pakistan

For hundreds of years, the Bashgali have lived in a place filled with conflict and war: Pakistan's Northwest Frontier Province. Since ancient times, many groups have invaded this region, making peace in the area rare. It can be highly dangerous for any Christian presence in the area. Anyone who wanted to share the ways of Christ would have to live as a lamb among wolves.

You have kept count of my tossings; put my tears in your bottle. Are they not in your book? - Psalm 56:8

- Pray for members of this people group to turn to the Lord with their sorrows and trust Him to wipe away their tears and replace it with eternal joy.
- Pray for the Bashgali people to have peace in their households and communities.
- May the Bashgali people find the answers of Christ and may the fragrance of Christ spread throughout Pakistan's Northwest Frontier Province.

26 Assamese (Muslim traditions) in Bhutan

The Assamese people in Bhutan are mainly Muslim and speak Bengali. They are generally less orthodox than most Asian Muslims and are involved in many Hindu festivals and customs. They live in Bhutan, a Buddhist country. Most depend on agriculture for a living.

For God alone my soul waits in silence; from him comes my salvation. He alone is my rock and my salvation, my fortress; I shall not be greatly shaken. - Psalm 62:1-2

- Pray that many from this people group will make Christ the rock of their salvation this decade.
- Pray for those who follow Jesus to live lives filled with grace and kindness.
- Pray the Assamese people find ways to let the peace of Christ rule in their families and communities.
- Pray for a movement to Christ among the Assamese Muslims to spread throughout Bhutan and India.

27 Kyrgyz in China

The Kyrgyz (Kirgiz) in China called that land home since the first century. Maintaining unique cultural tribal identities, many exist in China's northwestern province of Xinjiang, where minority tribal members "disappear" at the hands of the Chinese Communist Party. The greatest ministry obstacle to reaching the Kyrgyz points to the Chinese government. Another ministry obstacle is their combined long-held allegiance to Islam and their belief in black magic. Because the

Kyrgyz respect demonstrations of signs and wonders, believers who call on God for the demonstration of his power and healing would be effective.

Trust in him at all times, O people; pour out your heart before him; God is a refuge for us. Selah - Psalm 62:8

- Pray that the Holy Spirit will draw many from this people group to trust the Lord at all times and share their hearts with Him.
- Pray for the power of the Holy Spirit to cause a massive movement to Christ among the Kyrgyz.

28 Paxi in China

Strictly adhering to the Sunni Muslim way of life, the Paxi follow Islamic teachings and traditions. A small number follow Christ.

O God, you are my God; earnestly I seek you; my soul thirsts for you; my flesh faints for you, as in a dry and weary land where there is no water. - Psalm 63:1

- Pray that hundreds from this people group will earnestly seek God and find Him.
- Pray for believers to go to the Paxi, testifying to Christ's power and love.
- Pray for the spiritual blindness and bondage to the evil one to be removed from the Paxi people, so they can understand and respond to Christ.
- Pray that the Paxi people will have a spiritual hunger that will open their hearts to the King of kings.
- Pray for an unstoppable movement to Christ among them.

29 Northern Uzbek in China

The name Uzbek probably came from Ozbeg Khan, a Mongol ruler of the Golden Horde who spread Islam throughout many parts of the empire in the fourteenth century. Those who remained in the area under Ozbeg Khan's rule became known as Uzbeks. There are an estimated 50 Uzbek Christians in China today.

Because your steadfast love is better than life, my lips will praise you. - Psalm 63:3

- May many from this people group understand this and act upon it.
- Pray for Uzbek believers to allow the Holy Spirit to permeate all aspects of their lives.
- Pray for obedience when the Lord tells them to go.
- Pray for the authority of Christ to bind hindering spiritual forces and lead them from darkness to light.



30 Nanga Dama Dogon in Mali

The Nanga Dama Dogon cannot understand the tongue of another subgroup. The Dogon people live in a dry, remote savannah area in central Mali. It will be difficult for Christ's ambassadors to adapt to their environment, but Muslim missionaries once did it.

So I will bless you as long as I live; in your name I will lift up my hands. My soul will be satisfied as with fat and rich food, and my mouth will praise you with joyful lips, - Psalm 63:4-5

- Pray that much praise reaches the heavens from this people group.
- Pray for Holy Spirit led workers to go to the Nanga Dama Dogon people of Mali.
- Pray for spiritual receptivity and an understanding of their need for a righteous savior.
- Pray for Nanga Dama Dogon disciples who will make more disciples who will make even more disciples.

31 Jahanka in Mali

The Jahanka are descended from the larger Soninke people group. Because of their prestige, they exercise a high degree of economic and religious influence among Soninke groups. They value education and are successful in business. They have become more urbanized through the decades. They are far more orthodox and committed to Islam than just about any other people group in Africa. That means they are not open to ideas they seem to contradict Islam.

Blessed is the one you choose and bring near, to dwell in your courts! We shall be satisfied with the goodness of your house, the holiness of your temple! - Psalm 65:4

- Pray for many from this people group to find joy in the Lord.
- Pray for Jahanka elders to open the door for the gospel.
- Pray the Jahanka tribe will increasingly be drawn to Jesus when they see what he can do for their families and communities.

APRIL

1 Dendi in Niger

While the Dendi were traditionally traders, they are currently farmers. They also raise livestock. The Dendi are almost all Muslim. The New Testament has been translated into Dendi, but the vast majority have never had the opportunity to hear the gospel. While it is difficult to reach the Dendi people, many of Jesus' parables speak into the lives of farmers and shepherds.

By awesome deeds you answer us with righteousness, O God of our salvation, the hope of all the ends of the earth and of the farthest seas; - Psalm 65:5

- Thank the Lord that He is the hope of all the earth and the hope of all nations!
- Pray that these stories would connect with the hearts and minds of the Dendi.
- Pray for the Lord to bless Dendi crops as a testimony of his power and goodness.
- Pray for a church planting movement among the Dendi people in Niger.

2 Ganja Balanta in Senegal

The Ganja Balanta people have lived in southern Senegal since the 1800s while some also live in Guinea Bissau. The Balanta have a council of elders who make the decisions for the community. The Ganja Balanta follow both animism and Islam. They believe that God is far away, uninvolved in their lives.

So that those who dwell at the ends of the earth are in awe at your signs. You make the going out of the morning and the evening to shout for joy. - Psalm 65:8

- May many from this people group stand in awe of the Lord's deeds and joyfully follow Him.
- Pray Christ followers would rise up to boldly share Christ's love with their neighbors and families.
- Pray that the council of elders come to Jesus Christ and lead others to him.
- Pray for the God of power to provide abundance for the Ganja Balanta people as a testimony of his mercy and power.



3 Jola-Mlomp in Senegal

If you live in the US, you likely know some descendants of the Jola-Mlomp people, many of whom were taken as slaves. Many of the Jola-Mlomp use charms and sacred objects in an attempt to find protection.

Shout for joy to God, all the earth; sing the glory of his name; give to him glorious praise! - Psalm 66:1-2

- May there be many from this people group doing just this very soon!
- Pray that the Lord will raise up many African believers to go to the Jola peoples and use music and skits to teach of Christ.
- Pray for discipleship to become a way of life for them.
- Pray for Jola communities to be transformed by the holiness of Christ in a way that will amaze nonbelievers.
- Pray that fear of the spirits will give way to faith in Christ.

4 Palestinian / Israeli Arab

Some Palestinian Arabs are fully integrated into Israel's industrial economy while others live as Bedouins and farmers who lack adequate clean water and electricity. Christian believers can build bridges of trust by helping Palestinian villages to get the clean water and electricity they need.

Bless our God, O peoples; let the sound of his praise be heard, - Psalm 66:8

- Pray that today's people group will loudly sing His praises to other nations.
- Ask God to give Palestinian Arab believers opportunities to share the love of Christ.
- Pray that they would carry the fragrance of Christ in such a way that the Savior will be irresistible.
- Pray that their traditional culture would soften, creating open doors for the good news to be preached.
- Ask the Lord to raise up a movement to Christ among Palestinian Arabs.

5 Tunisian Jews in Tunisia

Though many Tunisian Jews remain in Tunisia, Tunisian antisemitism has led many others to emigrate to Israel since the end of World War II. In Israel, they continue to practice their traditional Tunisian ways, and periodically they return to Tunisia for festivals.

For you, O God, have tested us; you have tried us as silver is tried. - Psalm 66:10

- Pray for the Lord to test and purify today's people group.
- Pray that the Holy Spirit will prepare these Jews to open the eyes of their hearts to Jesus.
- Pray for Christ followers to befriend them.
- Pray for wisdom for agencies to focus on Middle Eastern Jews and for the establishment of Tunisian Jewish-Christian congregations.
- Pray for a people movement among Tunisian Jews.

6 Romanian Jew in Romania

During the Middle Ages, Jews went to Romania from elsewhere in Europe, and during the Renaissance, more arrived, fleeing the Spanish Inquisition. Today's Romanian Jews are of Romanian, Spanish, Greek, Italian, and Middle Eastern descent. The younger generation's ignorance of Judaism prevents them from having a foundation for the gospel.

Come and hear, all you who fear God, and I will tell what he has done for my soul. - Psalm 66:16

- Pray for bold testimonies of the Lord's deeds to come from today's people group.
- Pray the church in Romania will seek to win Jews in hopes of starting a movement to Christ.
- Pray that the church in Romania will publicly apologize for its anti-Semitism.
- Pray that Jewish leaders will be more open to the gospel and its advocates.





7 Judeo-Persian Jew in Iran

Today, most Jews in Persia live in Tehran, Isfahan and Sharaz. In these cities, they have synagogues, cultural centers, kosher markets and restaurants. They do not openly express support for Israel, and they avoid contact with Christian believers. Their goal is peaceful survival. Their self-preservation as a people closes them to gospel advocates, as does Iran's persecution of Christians. Iran is a creative access country, but the gospel can expand with the help of the Holy Spirit.

That your way may be known on earth, your saving power among all nations. - Psalm 67:2

- Pray that His ways will soon be known by today's people group.
- Pray that the Iranian church will be strengthened in its faith and outreach.
- Pray for them to reach out to Jews.
- Pray for a people movement to Christ among Iranian Jews.

8 Syrian Jew in Lebanon

Jews have lived in Syria since ancient times, possibly as far back as the time of King David. The majority left in 1967, and those that remained have suffered rounds of violence. Jews in Lebanon understand their connection with the Abrahamic Covenant. Ironically, they have rejected Jesus Christ, the one who has fulfilled that covenant.

Let the peoples praise you, O God; let all the peoples praise you! Let the nations be glad and sing for joy, for you judge the peoples with equity and guide the nations upon earth. Selah - Psalm 67:3-4

- Pray that this day will come soon!
- Pray that when the gospel is shared with them it will not be viewed as anti-Semitic, but rather as fulfillment of what God promised humanity through Abraham.
- Pray for a spiritual hunger among the Jews who view their "Jewishness" as an ethnic identity which is often devoid of spiritual meaning.

9 Judeo-Moroccan Jew in Morocco

Most of the remaining Jewish people in Morocco are elderly. They are trying to maintain their traditional culture and language. It's very possible that there won't be Jews in Morocco by the end of this century.

God shall bless us; let all the ends of the earth fear him! - Psalm 67:7

- Pray for fear and worship to rise up from all peoples in the 2020s.
- Pray for the Lord to give the Jewish people in Morocco hearts that will want to please him.
- May they look to the Lord for guidance and truth, and not be satisfied with cultural traditions.
- Pray for Jewish people in Morocco to begin a movement to Jesus Christ, finding ways to exalt him while honoring their culture.

10 Georgian Jew in Georgia

In Georgia, Jewish culture is integrated into the mainstream culture, but it still retains its distinct character. They are very Zionistic in their hearts and love Israel, but they see Georgia as their homeland. Family members are very close-knit.

Sing to God, sing praises to his name; lift up a song to him who rides through the deserts; his name is the LORD; exult before him! - Psalm 68:4

- May today's people group feel His holy presence when they worship Him.
- Ask the Holy Spirit to soften the hearts of Georgian Jews, so they will be receptive to the gospel.
- Ask God to anoint the gospel as it goes forth via radio.
- Ask the Lord to call loving Messianic Jews who will take the gospel to Georgian Jews.
- Ask the Lord to save key leaders among Georgian Jews who will boldly declare the gospel.

11 Mountain Jew in Azerbaijan

After World War II, they lived in the Caucasus Mountains of the Soviet Union. Today, they are known as the "mountain Jews" and remain scattered in the mountains of Azerbaijan. Although they have much in common with other Jews around the world, Mountain Jews have a very distinctive lifestyle. Some continue to follow the Law of Moses while others have intermarried with Muslims.

Father of the fatherless and protector of widows is God in his holy habitation. - Psalm 68:5

- May the widows and orphans among this people group become part of His family.
- Pray for the Jews of Azerbaijan to be open to hearing about their Messiah.
- Pray for Holy Spirit anointed laborers who will invest themselves in reaching this precious people group.

■ **12 Turkish Jew in Turkey**

Jews have inhabited Turkey for about 2,400 years. They form one of the main non-Muslim communities in that nation. Many began migrating to Israel when it was established in 1948. Today, the majority of the Jews in Turkey live in Istanbul and Izmir. Most continue to practice their faith and are not open to outside spiritual answers.

Blessed be the Lord, who daily bears us up; God is our salvation. Selah - Psalm 68:19

- May today's people group allow the Lord to carry them in His powerful arms.
- Pray for the hearts of the Jews to be open to the gospel and for them to respond to God's invitation to salvation and eternal life.
- Pray for a Messianic movement to Christ among the Jewish people in Turkey.

■ **13 Russian Jew in Russia**

Since the dissolution of the USSR, Russian Jews no longer have to deal with government-sponsored oppression. Anti-Semitism is still a concern, but Jewish life has been revitalized. European Jews are strong supporters of "Zionism," a revival of Jewish culture and support of Israel as a secure Jewish homeland. Those who practice their faith have rejected Jesus and continue to look for another messiah to come.

O kingdoms of the earth, sing to God; sing praises to the Lord, Selah to him who rides in the heavens, the ancient heavens; behold, he sends out his voice, his mighty voice. - Psalm 68:32-33

- May all the nations praise Him!
- Ask the Lord to send loving workers among the Jewish communities.
- Ask the Holy Spirit to grant wisdom and favor to the mission agencies that are focusing on European Jews.
- Pray that the Jewish people will understand that Jesus is the Messiah and eagerly follow Him.



■ **14 Banten in Indonesia**

The Banten people are officially Muslim, but many participate in a variety of mystical arts. Religion is a large part of the Banten's lives. In fact, they are so known for some of their religious practices that people from surrounding areas go to them, hoping to be benefitted by their rituals. It is a staple in their community. Tourism is active on Java. Because of this, there are many ways to spread the word in the community. Outreach could also come from nearby Javanese believers.

Ascribe power to God, whose majesty is over Israel, and whose power is in the skies. Awesome is God from his sanctuary; the God of Israel—he is the one who gives power and strength to his people. Blessed be God! - Psalm 68:34-35

- Pray for many from today's people group to tell of God's power and goodness to others.
- Pray that they are uplifted by each other and God's word.
- Pray that the Holy Spirit guides them into an unstoppable movement to Christ.

■ **15 Yutian Uygur in China**

The Yutian Uygurs are known for being culturally distinct from other Uygurs. Certain clothing and unique hairstyles separate them. Today, the Uygur peoples are being persecuted by the Chinese government. There are no known believers among the Uygurs.

You guide me with your counsel, and afterward you will receive me to glory. - Psalm 73:24

- Pray that today's people group will seek God's counsel and be led to His glorious destiny.
- Pray for a hope and a vibrant future for the Yutian Uygur people.
- Pray for protection against discrimination and injustice from the Chinese government.
- Pray for Holy Spirit sent Chinese believers to take Christ to the Yutian Uygur people.
- Pray for spiritual hunger and discernment for the Yutian Uygurs in China.

16 Manasir in Sudan

The Manasir people are one of many Afro-Arab tribes of Northern Sudan who pursue small scale agriculture in the immediate vicinity of the Nile. Research suggests that the Manasir community is a combination of indigenous, mostly Nubian groups, descendants of emigrating Arabs, and tribal minorities. Caring for the material and physical needs of the Manasir is essential if anyone wishes to do outreach. There must be genuine concern for their needs.

Whom have I in heaven but you? And there is nothing on earth that I desire besides you. My flesh and my heart may fail, but God is the strength of my heart and my portion forever. - Psalm 73:25-26

- Pray for many from today's people to know that they must have no other God but the Lord.
- Pray that the Manasir have what they need to live healthy, fulfilled lives.
- Pray for the Manasir people to find their way to Christ, so they can learn from him and accept his shalom.

17 Ouargla in Algeria

The Ouargla are a Berber people who live in and around the oasis city of Ouargla in central Algeria, which has a major university as well as being a center of oil production. They have their own language and culture that pre-dates the Islamic conquest of North Africa in 670-700. Nearly all recent church growth in Algeria has occurred within Berber communities. Those who minister the gospel can accelerate their efforts for the Ouargla. This may be their time!

When the earth totters, and all its inhabitants, it is I who keep steady its pillars. Selah - Psalm 75:3

- Pray that many from today's people group will allow Him to be their firm foundation in times of trouble.
- Pray for the Lord to move among the Ouargla in such a way that they spread Christ's ways of peace and mercy to other Berber tribes.



18 Crimean Tatar in Ukraine

Crimean Tatar dress and language make it difficult to distinguish them from Russians or Ukrainians. Many of their traditions are falling away, especially among the younger generation. Islam is an important part of their identity. Challenging Islam is viewed as a challenge to their identity.

But I will declare it forever; I will sing praises to the God of Jacob. - Psalm 75:9

- Pray for many from today's people group to tell of God' wondrous deeds to their families.
- Pray for them to overcome this spiritual obstacle.
- Pray for the Holy Spirit to move through Ukraine and the Crimean Peninsula during this time of trouble and war.
- May Christ's light dispel the darkness in Ukraine and bring beauty from ashes.

19 Waigeli Nuristani in Afghanistan

The eight Nuristani people groups have common threads: religion, ethnicity, and remnants of customs pre-dating their collective conversion to Islam a little more than 100 years ago. The Waigeli pastoralists and farmers have critical infrastructure needs. As recently as 2007, reports indicated that healthcare is virtually non-existent, and schools are few in most of Nuristan.

Glorious are you, more majestic than the mountains full of prey. - Psalm 76:4

- Pray that this people group will realize the eternal majesty and glory of the Lord, and give Him praise.
- Pray for the Lord to come to their rescue for their physical and spiritual needs, leading them to praise Him.
- Pray that a movement to Christ will propel a church planting movement that will thrive and bring peace to their communities.

20 Karachay in Turkey

The Karachay have often lived in a no-man's land during times of war. After being brutally relocated by the Soviets 80 years ago, many returned to their homeland and have been repopulating their southwestern Russian home area. Some live in Turkey. A small number of Karachay Christ followers exist with at least one church.

Help us, O God of our salvation, for the glory of your name; deliver us, and atone for our sins, for your name's sake! - Psalm 79:9

- Pray that many from this people group will call out to the Lord as desperately as the psalmist did in this verse.
- Pray that Jesus followers will multiply among the Karachay as they model joyful lives.
- Pray that the Karachay in Russia and Turkey will turn to Jesus, not for political power, but for spiritual deliverance.

21 Semnani in Iran

Like many rural Iranians, the Semnani suffer from unsanitary conditions, disease outbreaks, illiteracy, and severely underdeveloped services. The Semnani people need schools, medical clinics, and personnel with eternal hope to staff them. They also need Iranian believers to take Christ to their communities.

Hear, O my people, while I admonish you! O Israel, if you would but listen to me! - Psalm 81:8

- Pray for this people group to heed God's warning and listen to Him!
- Pray for loving Christ followers in Iran to reach the Semnani people, resulting in a movement to Christ.
- Pray for the Lord to meet all their physical needs, leading them to praise Him.
- Pray for the Semnani people to have a hunger and thirst for truth and righteousness that will soon be satisfied by a relationship with Jesus Christ.



22 Shahari in Saudi Arabia

Speakers of the Shehri language reside in southwest Oman, on the border with Yemen, which is a mountainous area. A small number live in Saudi Arabia. Ministry obstacles include their nomadic lifestyle, illiteracy, and their lack of access to gospel materials. Many of their youth have moved to cities.

But my people did not listen to my voice; Israel would not submit to me. So I gave them over to their stubborn hearts, to follow their own counsels. - Psalm 81:11-12

- Pray that this will be the year when this people group stops following their own stubborn desires and begins to follow the Lord.
- Pray for Christ-centered mobile health care units that can serve these nomads.
- Pray for mission groups to specifically reach out to the young people in cities and start disciple making movements, with the hope that new believers will return to their nomadic communities and share Christ in Saudi Arabia.

23 Mahra in Yemen

The Mahra are one of the smaller groups of Arabs who live near the borders of Yemen, Saudi Arabia and Oman. They are classified as semi-nomadic warriors, often forgotten by the other communities in Yemen. No Christian resources such as recordings or videos are available in their Mehri language, but many of the people speak Yemeni Arabic, which does have resources.

My soul longs, yes, faints for the courts of the LORD; my heart and flesh sing for joy to the living God. - Psalm 84:2

- Pray that the Lord will raise up many from this people group who have this kind of heart for being in the presence of the loving Lord.
- Ask the Holy Spirit to call people who are willing to share the love of Christ.
- Pray that a network of strong local churches will be raised up among the Mahra.
- Pray for peace and justice to reign in Yemen.

24 Bole in Nigeria

The region where the Bole people reside includes the terrorist group Boko Haram, which seeks to unleash mayhem, fear, and ethnic cleansing. The presence of terrorist groups in the home area of the Bole brings an extra measure of danger and difficulty in taking the gospel to the Bole people. It can also be an impetus for the Bole to seek the Lord's protection and blessing.

O LORD of hosts, blessed is the one who trusts in you! - Psalm 84:12

- Pray for many from this people group to find joy and hope in trusting the Lord Almighty.
- Pray for peace throughout the homeland of the Bole tribe, as well as all of northeastern Nigeria.
- Pray that gospel radio will become increasingly available, and that these broadcasts will include the language of the Bole people.

25 Durbet in Mongolia

Like other Mongols, the Durbet are known for their love of fine horses and horse racing. Favorite pastimes include storytelling, singing, archery, and wrestling. Medical facilities among the Durbet are inadequate. Limited water supply, poor hygiene, deficient diet, and alcoholism are all common problems. There are about 1,700 Jesus followers among the Durbet.

Let me hear what God the LORD will speak, for he will speak peace to his people, to his saints; but let them not turn back to folly. - Psalm 85:8

- Pray that those who follow the Lord among this people group will never return to their old ways.
- Pray for local churches to organize medical clinics to care for people's spiritual and physical needs.
- Pray that God's church in Mongolia would grow in deeper discipleship and greater mission vision.



26 Alagwa in Tanzania

The Alagwa are farmers, and their principal crops are maize and millet. They work cooperatively to cultivate fields, raise livestock, build houses and roads, and dig wells. The Alagwa are slow to receive outsiders. Their quiet reserve extends to their religious lives. Christian missionaries, whether expatriates or Tanzanian, have historically left in discouragement from lack of response.

Surely his salvation is near to those who fear him, that glory may dwell in our land. - Psalm 85:9

- Pray for the land of this people group to soon be filled with His glory and mercy!
- Pray for encouragement for those attempting to take Christ to this people group.
- Pray that the Alagwa people will have a spiritual hunger that will open their hearts to the King of kings.
- Pray for a movement to Christ among them to begin this decade.

27 Lak in Russia

Starting in the 1990s 50 urban Muslim background Lak people started coming to Jesus. The New Testament books of Mark and Luke were translated for them. After that, Bible work stalled due to a lack of team leadership.

For you, O Lord, are good and forgiving, abounding in steadfast love to all who call upon you. - Psalm 86:5

- Thank the Lord that He is eager to offer love and forgiveness to peoples who turn to Him for help!
- Pray for a strong Bible translation team to rise up and finish the project of producing an accurate Bible.
- Pray for the few Lak believers to shine as bright lights in the midst of their families and clans, leading to a movement to Christ.
- Pray for spiritual hunger and discernment among the Lak people.

28 Kreda in Chad

The Kreda people have been Muslims for hundreds of years. There are currently no known believers among them. The Kreda have challenging lives trying to find water and green plants for their herds. Being a Muslim is a part of the Kreda's personal identity. If a Kreda person becomes a follower of Christ, he or she will be shunned by the community.

All the nations you have made shall come and worship before you, O Lord, and shall glorify your name. For you are great and do wondrous things; you alone are God. - Psalm 86:9-10

- Pray for many from this people group to understand this.
- Ask the Lord to send loving workers to help the Kreda people have adequate water and healthy livestock.
- Pray the Kreda to develop a hunger for spiritual truth.
- Pray that efforts to reach the Kreda people will result in a disciple making movement.

29 Tai Kao in Laos

The Tai Kao or "White" Tai receive their name from the color of their women's clothing. They live in northern Laos and Vietnam. The Tai Kao are known for being polite, respectful of others, and hospitable. They mix Buddhism with folk religion. Christian believers among the Vietnamese Tai Kao can share the good news with their neighbors in Laos.

A God greatly to be feared in the council of the holy ones, and awesome above all who are around him? - Psalm 89:7

- Pray that many from today's people group will understand that the only God is the Lord, and they must turn to Him. Pray they will be in awe of His might.
- Ask the Lord of the harvest to send forth laborers into Laos to minister to the needs of the White Tai.
- Ask the Holy Spirit to soften the hearts of the White Tai towards Christ and his work on the cross, so they will put their faith in Him alone.



30 Awan in Pakistan

Many Awan serve in the Pakistani military. Violence and feuds are common in north Pakistan, where the Awan live. Many resources are available in the Awan's primary language of Western Punjabi, including the New Testament and the JESUS Film. Radio programs in Western Punjabi are also available.

Righteousness and justice are the foundation of your throne; steadfast love and faithfulness go before you. - Psalm 89:14

- Pray that today's people group will seek and find His righteousness and justice. Pray that they will be thankful for His unfailing love.
- Pray that Awan are led by the Holy Spirit to listen to radio programs and find Christian resources on the internet.
- Pray for peace in the area where the Awan live.
- Pray for the Lord to do miracles and raise up a multiplying body of believers among the Awan people.