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## NOVEMBER

### ■ 1 Cape Malay in South Africa

Ancestors of the Cape Malay came to South Africa centuries ago as hired workers and slaves to serve the Dutch settlement. Most came from Indonesia and Malaysia. The Cape Malay live in a culture surrounded by Christians, yet their identity remains bound in their Islamic religion. Most view turning to Christ as a traitorous act to their families and communities.

*Finally, brothers, pray for us, that the word of the Lord may speed ahead and be honored, as happened among you, —2 Thessalonians 3:1*

- Make this your prayer for this people group.
- Pray the Lord would open the eyes of the Cape Malay to see Jesus as He truly is, the Savior who came to take away the sins of the world.
- Pray for them to soon have an unstoppable movement to Christ.

### ■ 2 Dargin in Ukraine

The Dargins are from southwestern Russia's Caucasus region and some have migrated to Ukraine. This area is very volatile, and violence can erupt at any time. This violence might be between Russian forces and Dargin separatists or between rival Dargin groups. Some Dargins have found Ukraine to be a relatively peaceful place to live...until recently. They tend to not trust anyone outside their community. Anyone who wishes to share Christ with them must overcome this.

*May the Lord direct your hearts to the love of God and to the steadfastness of Christ. —2 Thessalonians 3:5*

- May today's people group find full understanding of the love of God.
- Pray for loving and patient workers to go to the Dargins in Ukraine.
- Pray for a spiritual hunger that will drive the Dargin people to the arms of Jesus.

### ■ 3 Qassab in Pakistan

The Qassab are a caste of butchers. They sell meat and trade in animal hides. Many now engage in business or work as daily-wage laborers. The Qassab people belong to the Sunni sect of Islam. Current research suggests that few if any Christ followers exist amongst the Qassab in any country.

*...and what you have heard from me in the presence of many witnesses entrust to faithful men, who will be able to teach others also. —2 Timothy 2:2*

- Use this verse to pray for a disciple making movement among this people group.
- Pray that faithful intercessors would adopt them in their prayer lives.
- Pray the Lord would begin stirring the hearts of many in the community to search for a solution to their sin problem and understand that Jesus is the only solution.
- Pray for a movement to Christ among them.

### ■ 4 Sri Lanka Moor in Sri Lanka

The Moors of Sri Lanka trace their ancestry to Arab traders who settled to the island nation sometime between the eighth and fifteenth centuries. Muslim merchants arrived in large numbers, married local women and stayed. Being Muslim is an integral part of the Moors' identity in this country divided by Buddhists and Hindus. There are few if any known Christian believers among the Moors of Sri Lanka.

*Correcting his opponents with gentleness. God may perhaps grant them repentance leading to a knowledge of the truth, and they may come to their senses and escape from the snare of the devil, after being captured by him to do his will. —2 Timothy 2:25-26*

- Pray for new believers to have mercy and love for those who are abusive. Pray that they will intercede in prayer for them.
- Pray that Christ followers who speak Tamil in southern India would develop a burden for the Moors of Sri Lanka.
- Pray that the Moors would tune in to Tamil radio and TV broadcasts.
- Pray that the Lord would raise up a growing church this decade among the Sri Lankan Moors.

### ■ 5 Primanar in Sri Lanka

The Primanar are a group of Tamil Brahmins who left their homeland in South India to live in Sri Lanka. Many from the Primanar people were leaders in the Sri Lankan Civil War (1983-2009) against the Buddhist Sinhalese majority. The victorious Sinhalese destroyed much of the property of the Primanar. Brahmins often see Christianity as a religion for the lowest castes, not for people of their stature. Radio and TV programs from India are available in Tamil. The Holy Spirit can direct them to these resources.

*This is why I left you in Crete, so that you might put what remained into order, and appoint elders in every town as I directed you. —Titus 1:5*

- Pray for the Lord to raise up elders to lead this people group into all truth.
- Ask the Lord to raise up a growing church planting movement among the Sri Lankan Primanar this decade.

### ■ 6 Hindu Sunri in Bangladesh

The Sunri people live in India and Bangladesh, with approximately equal numbers in each country. Traditionally, they distill alcohol, though many of the Sunri have become merchants, traders and government workers. The Sunri worship the gods of the Hindu pantheon including Shiva and Lakshmi. They marry within their caste, but not within their clan. They try to attain higher education.

*Long ago, at many times and in many ways, God spoke to our fathers by the prophets, but in these last days he has spoken to us by his Son, whom he appointed the heir of all things, through whom also he created the world. —Hebrews 1:1-2*

- Pray that today's people group would come to understand that the one, true God has spoken through his Son, Jesus Christ. Pray they would have the wisdom to listen to Jesus.
- Pray for a spiritual discernment and hunger that will drive them to the arms of Christ.
- Pray for the Sunri people to understand and embrace that Jesus wants to bless their families and neighborhoods.
- Pray for a movement of Jesus to heal and strengthen Sunri communities.



### ■ 7 Sunri Sadhubanik in Bangladesh

The Sunri Sadhubanik live in both India and Bangladesh. The main foods of the Sunri community include rice, vegetables, fruit, grains and dairy products. They do not eat beef or pork but will consume fish. The primary language of the Sunri Sadhubanik is Bengali. It is hard for Hindus like the Sunri Sadhubanik people to grasp and embrace the idea of worshipping only one god. They don't understand that God is a jealous God and he has no rival.

*How shall we escape if we neglect such a great salvation? It was declared at first by the Lord, and it was attested to us by those who heard, —Hebrews 2:3*

- Pray that this people group would not ignore good news of salvation announced by the Lord Jesus.
- Pray for the Sunri Sadhubanik people to understand and embrace that Jesus wants to bless their families and communities.
- Pray for Holy Spirit-anointed workers to go to them.

### ■ 8 Guhayna in Sudan

The Guhayna are a nomadic Sudanese Arab tribe whose name is synonymous with all Sudanese nomads. A common culture binds these Sudanese Arabs with other Arabs around the world: rigid codes of honor, loyalty and hospitality. Putting one's faith in Jesus can have serious consequences. Because of this, there are few Sudanese Arabs who follow Christ. Despite Christian workers in Sudan for many years, most effort concentrates on the southern Sudanese, neglecting the country's Muslim majority.

*Since therefore the children share in flesh and blood, he himself likewise partook of the same things, that through death he might destroy the one who has the power of death, that is, the devil. —Hebrews 2:14*

- Pray for today's people group to escape the power of death and the devil and to flee to Jesus Christ.
- Pray for adequate rainfall for the crops and livestock of the Guhayna.
- Pray for a spiritual hunger that will lead them to the cross.



### ■ 9 Arabized Shaikia in Sudan

The Shaikia consist of twelve sub-tribes, each descended from one of the twelve sons of the founder, Shaig. Most children attend government school. Children attend religious schools called Khalawi where they memorize the Koran before attending government school. The Shaikia tribe speaks and writes its own Arabic dialect.

*For Jesus has been counted worthy of more glory than Moses—as much more glory as the builder of a house has more honor than the house itself. —Hebrews 3:3*

- Pray for God to grant this people group the wisdom to know that Jesus' glory far exceeds the glory of any human prophet.
- Pray for peace in Sudan.
- Pray also the Shaikia tribe would have improved medical care and for adequate rainfall for their crops and livestock as a testimony of God's power and love.
- Pray this would be the decade of harvest among this unreached people group.

### ■ 10 Mongallese Arab in South Sudan

The Arabization of the Middle East and North Africa began in the seventh and eleventh centuries, causing the displacement of many tribes. These invasions overran and absorbed the weaker black African farmers who lived near oases and trading centers. The Mongallese were one of these groups. They are Black African and Arab. They speak their own distinct dialect of Arabic. They have tremendous devotion to Mohammed and Islam. They see him as the "seal of the prophets" and Jesus as a prophet second to Mohammed.

*And to whom did he swear that they would not enter his rest, but to those who were disobedient? —Hebrews 3:18*

- Pray that today's people group would enter into God's spiritual rest by trusting in and obeying His Son.
- Pray for the production, distribution and acceptance of the Bible and Christian evangelistic literature in the Mongallese language.

### ■ 11 Saramaccan in Suriname

The Saramaccan fought hard for their land rights and, in 2007, the Inter-American Court for Human Rights ruled to support land rights for them. This moment serves as an inspiration to indigenous people all over the world. The Saramaccan descended from African slaves who escaped in the 17th and 18th centuries. They speak their own language. Many Saramaccan live along rivers. Ancestors, forest spirits and snake gods influence decisions regarding practical matters. This animism can keep them from believing in and serving Christ.

*Let us then with confidence draw near to the throne of grace, that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need. —Hebrews 4:16*

- Pray for this people group to approach God's throne of grace and receive the mercy and grace found in Jesus Christ.
- Pray for the Saramaccan to thrive physically and spiritually.
- Pray that God would soften their hearts to Christ.

### ■ 12 Swedish Jew in Sweden

Currently Jewish people in Sweden live mainly in Stockholm. Swedish Jews are very involved in international Jewish welfare activities. They have built both orthodox and conservative synagogues and most practice their faith. Christ followers need to develop bonds with the Jewish community in Sweden before they can speak into their lives. This can erase the fear and pain that Swedish Jews are feeling so they might be open to Christ's promise of abundant life.

*And being made perfect, he became the source of eternal salvation to all who obey him. —Hebrews 5:9*

- Pray for today's people group to obey God and for Jesus to become their source of eternal salvation.
- Pray that God would open the minds, hearts and souls of the Swedish Jewish people to Jesus and His followers.
- Pray for workers to go to them.

### ■ 13 Swiss Jew in Switzerland

The Swiss Federation of Jewish Communities represents 23 Jewish organizations and 17 Jewish communities. These communities are represented by ultra-Orthodox, Orthodox, Reform and Liberal Jews. Commonly, Swiss Jews work in the clock and textile

production industries. In 1999, Switzerland elected Ruth Dreifuss as their first female president. She is Jewish.

*We have this as a sure and steadfast anchor of the soul, a hope that enters into the inner place behind the curtain, —Hebrews 6:19*

- Pray that the Spirit would lead this people group to hope in Christ and that He would become the trustworthy anchor of their souls.
- Pray that God would cause the Swiss Jews to know the living Lord through being open to the witness of God's people who show care, knowledge and patience.
- Pray for a movement to Christ among Swiss Jews.

#### ■ 14 Alawite in Syria

The Alawites believe themselves to be the chosen people of God, the only ones to have seen the light in a world of darkness. Alawites believe that all people were stars in the world of light but fell from there due to disobedience. If they are sinful, they will be reborn as Christians until they complete their atonement. Infidels will be reborn as animals. The common Alawite person does not even know this group's teachings.

*This makes Jesus the guarantor of a better covenant. —Hebrews 7:22*

- Pray that this people group would believe in Jesus and embrace the blessings of the New Covenant.
- Pray the Lord would use turmoil in Syria to point people toward Jesus the Prince of Peace, Immanuel, God with us.

#### ■ 15 Kulobi in Tajikistan

The Kulobi are a sub-group of the Tajik people of Tajikistan. Following the fall of the Soviet Union in 1990, there was a seven year civil war in Tajikistan. The Kulobi emerged as the dominant group in the government and economy. Today the Kulobi work in government, education and business. The economy of Tajikistan is growing and the Kulobi are reaping the benefits.

*But as it is, Christ has obtained a ministry that is as much more excellent than the old as the covenant he mediates is better, since it is enacted on better promises. —Hebrews 8:6*

- Pray for today's people to realize that their works will never make them pleasing to God. Pray they trust in the grace of God found only in Christ.

- Pray for spiritual discernment and openness among the Kulobi people of Tajikistan.
- Pray for all to have the chance to see and respond to the JESUS Film and radio broadcasts in Tajik.
- Pray for a movement to Christ among them.

#### ■ 16 Alagwa in Tanzania

The Alagwa are farmers. They work cooperatively to cultivate large fields, raise livestock and build houses and roads. Though the Bubu River runs through the lowlands, the higher regions suffer from lack of water. The Alagwa are a very reserved people, slow to receive outsiders. Christian missionaries, whether expatriates or Tanzanian, have left in discouragement from lack of response. Recently several missionary families were able to see success in producing Scripture resources.

*He entered once for all into the holy places, not by means of the blood of goats and calves but by means of his own blood, thus securing an eternal redemption. —Hebrews 9:12*

- Pray for this people group to come to comprehend that the blood of animals will never get them right with the one, true God. Pray that they realize that only the blood of Christ can forgive their sins and gain for them eternal life.
- Pray for the small Alagwa church to reach out for Jesus.
- Pray for Alagwa leaders to put their faith in the One who gives living water.

#### ■ 17 Zaramo in Tanzania

Zaramo family names come from the mother's side. They divide their society into clans which recognize a common descent. The children always belong to the clan of their mother rather than their father. Zaramo are Muslim and observe basic Islamic practices; however, many have mixed Islamic beliefs with their traditional ethnic religion. Traditional Zaramo believe in one supreme being called Mulungu.

*Let us hold fast the confession of our hope without wavering, for he who promised is faithful. —Hebrews 10:23*

- Pray that the believers in today's people group would hold fast to the hope they have in Christ.
- Pray that the few followers of Jesus among the Zaramo would be known for their love and mercy.
- Pray for them to disciple their families in the ways of Christ.

### ■ 18 Muslim Thai in Thailand

The Muslim Thai people live in a land where Islam and Malay cultures are to their south. Thai languages and Buddhism are to their north. They speak a Thai language, but they are Muslims like their Malay neighbors. They are torn between two worlds. Almost none have had the chance to turn their hearts to Jesus and make Him the center of their identity.

*And without faith it is impossible to please him, for whoever would draw near to God must believe that he exists and that he rewards those who seek him. —Hebrews 11:6*

- Pray for this people group to come to God and understand that He will reward them with His truth.
- Pray for a spiritual hunger to come to Muslim Thai leaders who will find out about Christ and open the doors for others to find Him.
- Pray for a movement of God's blessing to flow through Muslim Thai families, discussing and applying God's word.

### ■ 19 Pattani Malay in Thailand

The Pattani Malay are the descendants of Malaysian Muslims. Over the years their unique Muslim culture has led to many separatist movements against the Thai government. Most Pattani Malays are self-employed either as farmers or fishermen. Muslims like the Pattani Malay hear negative things about Christianity before they have a chance to hear otherwise.

*Looking to Jesus, the founder and perfecter of our faith, who for the joy that was set before him endured the cross, despising the shame, and is seated at the right hand of the throne of God. —Hebrews 12:2*

- Pray that the believers in this people group keep their spiritual focus on Jesus, the author and finisher of their faith.
- Pray for churches in Thailand to reach the Pattani Malay people with church planting efforts.
- Pray that the Holy Spirit would reveal Christ to Pattani Malay leaders.
- Ask the Lord to raise up persons of peace among the Pattani Malay who will receive the Gospel and disciple others.



### ■ 20 Kaibartta in Bangladesh

The Kaibartta's primary occupation has been that of fishermen since their earliest days. From a cultural standpoint, the Kaibartta are a despised people. Elderly men make judicial decisions in their communities. The Kaibartta currently live in India and Bangladesh. Underneath the veneer of Hinduism, the Kaibartta believe in the existence of spirits and, therefore, are rightly considered by some to be animists.

*Do not neglect to show hospitality to strangers, for thereby some have entertained angels unawares. —Hebrews 13:2*

- Pray for today's people group to show hospitality to those messengers of the Gospel who God sends to them.
- Pray that God would free them from their slavery to the spirit world and guide them to Himself family by family.
- Pray for them to have the spiritual discernment and desire to seek and find Christ.

### ■ 21 Tem Kotokoli in Togo

The Kotokoli live in Togo, Ghana and Benin. They developed a reputation for sharp dealings in trade. Kotokolis are growing in numbers and in their social, economic and political impact. The Kotokoli are primarily farmers. Kotokoli marriages are usually arranged by the parents while the boy and girl are still infants. Christian medical teams, aid workers and teachers may have the greatest opportunity to share the love of Jesus with the Kotokoli.

*If any of you lacks wisdom, let him ask God, who gives generously to all without reproach, and it will be given him. —James 1:5*

- Pray for this people group to begin to seek the wisdom of God that is found in His word.
- Ask God to send forth long-term missionaries to work among the Kotokoli.
- Pray for a movement to Christ among Kotokoli family leaders that will spread far and deep.

## ■ 22 Bugis in Indonesia

Many consider the Bugis to be the dominant people group in South Sulawesi Island. Many Bugis have moved elsewhere to seek success and wealth. The Buginese people are known for their fervent adherence to Sunni Islam, though many still follow their traditional system of animist beliefs. They have a history of strong commitment to Islam which leaves their hearts closed to outside ideas.

*Blessed is the man who remains steadfast under trial, for when he has stood the test he will receive the crown of life, which God has promised to those who love him. —James 1:12*

- Pray that the believers in today's people group patiently endure their afflictions and share the good news with others.
- Pray for the Lord to bless the Bugis as a demonstration of His power and love.
- Pray for a powerful movement to Christ among them this decade.

## ■ 23 Tunisian Jew in Tunisia

Until 1948, Jews formed the largest non-Muslim minority in Iraq and Iran. The Jewish communities fared well over the centuries until Islam was declared the official religion. Since then, they have experienced much persecution and discrimination. Many have since left for places like the USA and Israel. A smaller number remain in Tunisia. Farsi and Arabic are the dominant languages of Jews living in Tunisia.

*But be doers of the word, and not hearers only, deceiving yourselves. —James 1:22*

- Pray for the believers in this people group to become not merely hearers but doers of God's word.
- Pray that the Tunisians who already know Christ would live by example and have the courage to take Christ to their Jewish neighbors.
- Pray for a movement to Christ among the Jews of Tunisia.

## ■ 24 Turkish-speaking Kurd in Turkey

The Kurds living in Turkey have been labeled by the Turkish government as "Mountain Turks" in an attempt to portray them as the same as the Turkish majority. Though many identify with their Kurdish roots, others have become part of the mainstream Turkish society and have even adopted the Turkish language in their homes. The use of Turkish art forms would be an excellent way to present Christ.

*If you really fulfill the royal law according to the Scripture, You shall love your neighbor as yourself, you are doing well. —James 2:8*

- Pray for today's people group to obey God's law and love their neighbor as themselves.
- Pray for people to develop such evangelistic tools.
- Pray for a powerful movement to Christ among Turkish speaking Kurds.
- Pray for their spiritual openness to Christ.
- Pray also for justice and peace in the Kurdish homeland.

## ■ 25 Abkhaz in Turkey

The Abkhaz inhabit the disputed region of Abkhazia, which is located on the Black Sea Coast. Even though it is considered a part of Georgia, it is not governed by Georgia. Some moved to Turkey and adapted the culture of Turkey including the Turkish language and the Sunni Muslim religion.

*Draw near to God, and he will draw near to you. Cleanse your hands, you sinners, and purify your hearts, you double-minded. —James 4:8*

- Pray that God would draw this people group to Himself. Pray that their hearts would be purified and would become completely devoted to Him.
- Pray for the peaceful resolution of the dispute concerning Abkhazia.
- Pray that the governments of Georgia, Russia and Abkhazia would be able to work out their differences amicably.
- Pray for the believers to be discerning in sharing the Gospel and pray that the Lord would work mightily through them.

## ■ 26 Adyghe in Turkey

The Adyghe, also called the Circassians, were once the dominant ethnic group in Russia's northwest Caucasus. The Russian conquest of the region and the Great Revolt between 1825 and 1864 resulted in a mass exodus of the Circassians, called one of the greatest mass exoduses in modern history. The displaced Circassians moved to Turkey and to many parts of the Middle East. Today it is very difficult to access the Adyghe people in Turkey. There are very few believers among the Adyghe people of Turkey. They live in an area that is hostile to Christian presence.

*Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! According to his great mercy, he has caused us to be born again to a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead. —1 Peter 1:3*

- Pray that many among this people would be born again and become part of God's family.
- Pray for peace in the troubled Caucasus region.
- Pray for the Gospel to spread far and wide among the Adyge people, whether in Turkey or the Middle East.

### ■ 27 Turkmen in Turkmenistan

The Turkmen originally were a nomadic people and did not settle in cities and towns until the advent of the Soviet system of government. The nomadic Turkmen hold tightly onto their culture. This has resulted in many pre-Soviet cultural traits surviving in Turkmen society. Turkmen believers need training and encouragement to carry the Gospel to their countrymen.

*Like newborn infants, long for the pure spiritual milk, that by it you may grow up into salvation. —1 Peter 2:2*

- Pray that the believers in today's people group would long for the word of God and grow into spiritual maturity.
- Pray that the Turkmen who know Christ would become wise in sowing the word of God among their families and to other Turkmen households.
- Pray that the Lord would give Turkmen families understanding and responsive hearts as they hear about the love of Christ.
- Pray for spiritual hunger among the Turkmen.

### ■ 28 Java Pesisir Kulon in Indonesia

The Java Pesisir Kulon people are often open and spontaneous in their social interactions. Their attire tends to be vibrant, colorful and artistic. In terms of culture, they are heavily influenced by Islam. They also practice occultism, consult shamans and engage in a variety of ceremonies to invoke happiness, safety and peace. Years of following Islam and folk religion have made them resistant to the Gospel.

*For "All flesh is like grass and all its glory like the flower of grass. The grass withers, and the flower falls, but the word of the Lord remains forever." And this word is the good news that was preached to you. —1 Peter 1:24-25*

- Pray that as the word of God is shared with this people group they would see its truth and beauty.

- Pray for the Lord to send workers to the Java Pesisir Kulon to preach and demonstrate His kingdom through practical vocational and technology training.
- Pray for this people to have the spiritual hunger to seek and find the Savior.

### ■ 29 Aringa in Uganda

The Aringa people are farmers who live primarily in Uganda. The Aringa people are Muslim, though their practice of Islam is tainted by traditional religion. There are many Christian materials available in their language and they have a growing number of Christ followers.

*Once you were not a people, but now you are God's people; once you had not received mercy, but now you have received mercy. —1 Peter 2:10*

- Pray for the Lord to extend His mercy to this people group and that many of them would become God's children.
- Pray for these believers to be filled with the power and the fruit of the Holy Spirit.
- Pray for their non-believing friends, neighbors and family members to see the transforming power of God at work in their lives.
- Pray for them to have access to training in modern agricultural techniques so their farms will flourish.

### ■ 30 Nubian in Uganda

The Nubians consist of seven non-Arab Muslim tribes. Most Nubian groups speak their own dialect of the Nubian language. However, many also speak Arabic, which is the common language of business and trade. Although their languages are different, each group is nearly identical in social, economic and cultural organization. There are no known Christians among these Muslims.

*But even if you should suffer for righteousness' sake, you will be blessed. Have no fear of them, nor be troubled, but in your hearts honor Christ the Lord as holy, always being prepared to make a defense to anyone who asks you for a reason for the hope that is in you. —1 Peter 3:14-15*

- Pray for the Holy Spirit to give His wisdom to believers who share their faith to this people group.
- Pray for God to establish His church among them and for a movement to grow and move quickly throughout the entire population.
- Pray for the Lord to raise up African Christians to reach out the Nubians with the Gospel.



## DECEMBER

### ■ 1 Tabasaran in Ukraine

Friendship and hospitality are placed at the highest value in Tabasaran culture. If a guest visits your home, everything else is dropped and the relationship takes priority. Tabasaran culture, like other Dagestani cultures of the Caucasus Mountains, has many outstanding cultural historical strengths; but also a tragic deficit of grace, forgiveness and agape love. In 2010 the New Testament was published in their language.

*But in your hearts honor Christ the Lord as holy, always being prepared to make a defense to anyone who asks you for a reason for the hope that is in you; yet do it with gentleness and respect. —1 Peter 3:15*

- Pray for today's people group to learn to worship Christ as Lord and King.
- Pray for the Holy Spirit to work powerfully in the lives of many Tabasarans so that they will respond when they read His word.
- Pray for the Tabasaran people to seek and find the Light of the World, leading them into a movement to Christ.

### ■ 2 Orochi in Ukraine

Traditionally the Orochi people made their living by fishing in some of the colder regions of Siberian Russia. In the 1930s they were given their own homeland, but this was soon changed due to their small population. In time, some of them moved to Ukraine. Today the Orochi people are nearly gone, and their population continues to shrink. Their language is dying out.

*Beloved, do not be surprised at the fiery trial when it comes upon you to test you, as though something strange were happening to you. —1 Peter 4:12*

- Pray that the hardships that God allows in the lives of believers in this people group do not discourage them.
- Pray for entire Orochi families to decide together to put their hope, faith and trust in Jesus Christ.
- Pray for the Holy Spirit to give the Orochi people in Ukraine teachable and understanding hearts.

### ■ 3 Emirati Arab in the UAE

The Arabian Peninsula is the home of the Emirati Arabs. Traditionally they were nomads who lived in the harsh desert environment in Saudi Arabia and the United Arab Emirates (UAE). Some Emiratis still live like this, but most are urban. The oil industry has tremendously enriched this people group.

*Likewise, you who are younger, be subject to the elders. Clothe yourselves, all of you, with humility toward one another, for God opposes the proud but gives grace to the humble. —1 Peter 5:5*

- Pray that the believers in this people group would be clothed with humility and grace.
- Many foreigners live and work in the UAE; pray for Christ followers among them to take the Savior to Emirati Arabs.
- Pray for the Holy Spirit to send dreams and visions to the Gulf Arabs that would awaken a hunger and thirst for truth.
- Pray for a movement to Christ among the Emirati Arabs.

### ■ 4 South Asian in the UK

Many South Asians live in London, Leicester and Bradford. They generally tend to keep to their own communities and keep their own religions and cultures. They can be reached by South Asian Christians. They have their own national radio station called BBC Asian Network. Evangelistic radio on BBC Asian Network will overcome much ethnic politics. English clubs may attract newcomers, even to churches.

*May grace and peace be multiplied to you in the knowledge of God and of Jesus our Lord. His divine power has granted to us all things that pertain to life and godliness, through the knowledge of him who called us to his own glory and excellence. —2 Peter 1:2-3*

- Make this your prayer for today's people group.
- Pray that local churches would be creative and motivated to reach South Asians.
- Pray that the South Asians would have dreams and visions leading them to Christ.

■ 5 Bengali-speaking South Asian in the UK

Most Bengali speakers in the United Kingdom are culturally adjusted to living there. Some immigrated there to escape the harsh lifestyles of Bangladesh while others came in search of better educational or economic opportunities. Almost all retain their traditional Islamic religion as a cultural anchor. They feel they have sacrificed their languages and cultures. Thus, they do not want to lose their “religion” as well.

*By which he has granted to us his precious and very great promises, so that through them you may become partakers of the divine nature, having escaped from the corruption that is in the world because of sinful desire. —2 Peter 1:4*

- Pray for the believers in this people group to cling to the promises of God and escape the world’s corruption.
- Pray for openness and spiritual awakening, leading to genuine responses to the Savior.
- Pray that this would be the decade when there is a movement to Christ among the Muslim Bengalis in the U.K.

■ 6 Southern Pashtun in the UK

Thanks to international meddling in Afghanistan, there is a sizeable Pashtun diaspora in the United Kingdom. These Pashtuns have fled two generations of war. Some are well established in the United Kingdom while others arrived in 2021. They are beginning the difficult process of assimilation. The Pashtuns in the United Kingdom need loving workers to take Christ to them.

*You therefore, beloved, knowing this beforehand, take care that you are not carried away with the error of lawless people and lose your own stability. —2 Peter 3:17*

- Pray that the Lord would protect the believers in today’s people group from false teachers and false teaching.
- Pray for Christ followers in the United Kingdom to reach them with English clubs, friendship evangelism and practical help in adjusting to their new lives.
- Pray for dreams and visions of Jesus among them.
- Pray for the unknown number of believers to become Christ’s ambassadors.



■ 7 Somali in the US

The Somali of the United States fled Somalia when their country collapsed in 1991. Their small number has continued to grow, partly from more refugees, and partly from them beginning families. The influx of Somali immigrants has meant they have separate communities where they try to lock out outside influences.

*But grow in the grace and knowledge of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. To him be the glory both now and to the day of eternity. Amen. —2 Peter 3:18*

- Pray that the believers in this people group would grow in the grace and knowledge of Jesus Christ.
- Pray the Somali believers would share the good news with their friends and family.
- Pray for the Holy Spirit to begin working on the hearts of Somalis to recognize that intimacy with God comes only through a relationship with Christ.

■ 8 Laven in the US

Scripture is not available in the Laven language, and there are no reports of outreach directed toward the Laven people in the United States. Who will rise to this opportunity to reach an unreached people group near home? Gospel recordings are available in the Laven language. Perhaps someone in a church near the Laven community will take this resource to them.

*This is the message we have heard from him and proclaim to you, that God is light, and in him is no darkness at all. —1 John 1:5*

- Pray for today’s people group to perceive the holiness and justice of God and to be led by the Spirit to repent of their sins.
- Pray for a movement to Christ among the Laven people that would bless their community in every way.
- Pray for their leaders to taste and see that the Lord is good.
- Pray for employment opportunities for newly arrived Laven.

## ■ 9 Telugu-speaking South Asian in the US

In the United States, South Asian communities jokingly call themselves “desis,” and put aside old communal animosities. They use English as their common language, but each language group likes to have their own associations where they can speak their heart language. For this reason, there are Telugu associations throughout the United States. Many own businesses or practice medicine. Hinduism is one of their means to maintaining their cultural identity in a foreign culture.

*Whoever says I know him but does not keep his commandments is a liar, and the truth is not in him. —1 John 2:4*

- Pray for this people to learn and obey the commandments of God.
- Pray for the kingdom of God to penetrate hearts of Telugu speakers.
- Pray for a movement to penetrate forward caste Telugu-speaking people in the United States that would extend to their communities in India.

## ■ 10 Phu Thai in the US

The Phu Tai are mostly distributed between Thailand, Vietnam and Laos, but a sizable group are in the United States. There is a Phu Tai community in the greater Los Angeles area.

*By this it is evident who are the children of God, and who are the children of the devil: whoever does not practice righteousness is not of God, nor is the one who does not love his brother. —1 John 3:10*

- Pray for the believers in today's people group to live righteously for the Lord and to love their brothers and sisters.
- Pray for Phu Tai Buddhists to come into contact with Spirit-filled believers who will share Christ with them.
- Pray the handful of Phu Tai Christ followers would understand they have been saved through faith, not by works, and that they have been created in Christ to do good works, especially to take Christ to their fellow Phu Tai.

## ■ 11 Hindu Gujar in the US

The Gujar are comprised of three very closely related people groups that are known collectively as the Gujar Rajasthani. Those who have migrated to the United States are mainly from the settled farming communities. Today they are settling in and mingling with other Hindu communities. Hindus like the Gujar

who migrate to the United States are primarily concerned with improving their economic situation. They often neglect their spiritual lives or settle for traditional religious rituals.

*Little children, you are from God and have overcome them, for he who is in you is greater than he who is in the world. —1 John 4:4*

- Pray that the believers in this people group would understand that God's Spirit who lives in them is far greater than any spirit in the world.
- Pray for the Lord to prepare loving and tenacious servants to go to the Gujar people.
- Pray for a movement to Christ among the Hindu Gujar that would spread to their communities in India.

## ■ 12 Spanish-speaking Jew in Uruguay

Sephardic Jewish immigrants first started coming to Uruguay from Turkey in 1907. By 1920, they had opened retail stores in Montevideo. Uruguay was the first Latin American country to recognize the state of Israel and establish diplomatic ties with that new nation. Over 10,000 Uruguayan Jews have immigrated to Israel since 1973. This, combined with an aging population and intermarriage, has decreased the Jewish population. The Jewish cultural connection that once tied the community together has basically been replaced with secularism and nominal adherence to Torah Judaism.

*And this is the testimony, that God gave us eternal life, and this life is in his Son. Whoever has the Son has life; whoever does not have the Son of God does not have life. —1 John 5:11-12*

- Pray that this people group would realize that it is only through the Son of God, Jesus Christ, that they can obtain eternal life.
- Pray for the Lord to thrust out loving, faithful ambassadors to the Uruguayan Jewish community.

## ■ 13 Northern Uzbek in Uzbekistan

The earliest ancestors of the Uzbeks —the Central Asian Turks —aided Genghis Khan in his conquest of Eastern Europe in the 1300s. Eventually, as unity between the Turks and Mongols faded, numerous warring kingdoms formed. It was from several of these kingdoms that the Uzbeks descended. Today, many young Uzbeks are looking for a belief system to satisfy their deepest spiritual hunger.

*I rejoiced greatly to find some of your children walking in the truth, just as we were commanded by the Father. —2 John 1:4*

- Pray for this people group to learn to walk in the truth and to obey the commandments of God.
- Pray for workers to sow God's word into Uzbek families, healing and strengthening households with God's blessing.
- Pray the Uzbeks would understand that Jesus desires to bless their families and neighborhoods.

### ■ 14 Karakalpak in Uzbekistan

Karakalpaks are followers of the Sunni sect of Islam. It is probable that they adopted Islam between the 10th and 13th centuries. Karakalpaks are well known for their devotion to their religion. Some adhere to Dervish orders that stress an emotional response to Allah. Their personal identities are tied to Islam.

*If anyone comes to you and does not bring this teaching, do not receive him into your house or give him any greeting. —2 John 1:10*

- Pray that today's people group would reject false teachers and false doctrine.
- Pray the Karakalpak would find their identity in Christ.
- Pray for the blessings of Jesus Christ to reach the Karakalpak community.
- Pray for many to put all their faith in His blood atonement and resurrection.

### ■ 15 Acehese in Indonesia

In recent years there has been a move towards Islamic dress and now the majority of Acehese women wear a head covering. Most men have no say in matters that deal with the home or even child rearing. The Acehese are strict Sunni Muslims and have been very instrumental in spreading Islam throughout Indonesia and other parts of Southeast Asia.

*Beloved, do not imitate evil but imitate good. Whoever does good is from God; whoever does evil has not seen God. —3 John 1:11*

- Pray that the Lord would raise up pastors and teachers in this people group who set good examples and are able to teach the Bible.
- Pray for the fervency of the Acehese toward the Islamic religion to be redirected toward faith in the only one who is worthy of praise and worship.
- Pray for them to become a missionary sending base.



### ■ 16 Cuiba in Venezuela

The Cuiba call themselves "Wamonae." Most live in Colombia although about a third lives in Venezuela. They make their home along the banks of several rivers. Fishing is important to them, as well as hunting and gathering fruit that grows wild nearby. There are a few Cuiba believers in Colombia and Venezuela.

*Now to him who is able to keep you from stumbling and to present you blameless before the presence of his glory with great joy, to the only God, our Savior, through Jesus Christ our Lord, be glory, majesty, dominion, and authority, before all time and now —Jude 1:24-25*

- Make this your prayer for today's people group.
- Pray these brothers and sisters would obey Christ's command to make Him known among other members of their tribe.
- Pray the Cuiba would have protection from those who try to trick them and take advantage of them.
- Pray they would have adequate health care and education that respects their community.
- Pray for a movement to Christ this decade.

### ■ 17 Palembang in Indonesia

Because of their dependence on rice as their livelihood, the Palembang people need irrigation technology so they can make use of the river water for irrigating their rice farms. They would benefit by having two or even three harvests a year.

*Behold, he is coming with the clouds, and every eye will see him, even those who pierced him, and all tribes of the earth will wail on account of him. Even so. Amen. —Revelation 1:7*

- Pray for this people group to rejoice at the second coming of Jesus Christ.
- Pray for God to thrust out workers who can help them gain a greater yield as a testimony of His goodness.
- Pray that the few followers of Jesus among the Palembang would grow in number and in commitment to the Great Commission.
- May they would lead joyful lives, pray continually and stay strong in God's word no matter the circumstances.

## ■ 18 Nung in Vietnam

The Nung have an abundant wealth of folk art and cultural activities. Many Nung may be hesitant to follow different beliefs, especially because of the feeling that it will disconnect them from their cultural roots. However, some have followed Christ in the past. God's word could be shared with the Nung through stories from the Bible.

*Remember therefore from where you have fallen; repent, and do the works you did at first. If not, I will come to you and remove your lampstand from its place, unless you repent. —Revelation 2:5*

- Pray for this people group to repent and to make Jesus Christ the first love of their lives.
- Pray for the followers of Christ to become strong disciples, excelling in love and joy in the Holy Spirit.
- Pray for them to be a good example to non-believers.
- Pray that many of the Nung people would come to love God and walk in His ways, leading to a movement to Christ.

## ■ 19 Muong in Vietnam

Until northern Vietnam's communist revolution in 1945, Muong social organization was aristocratic, and a headman had absolute authority in his jurisdiction. Since that time, the Muong community has undergone enormous changes. Their nation has been transformed from a feudalistic society into a socialistic one.

*The one who conquers will be clothed thus in white garments, and I will never blot his name out of the book of life. I will confess his name before my Father and before his angels. —Revelation 3:5*

- Pray for many names in this people group to be written in the Lamb's Book of Life. Pray that many from this people group are clothed with the righteousness of Christ.
- Pray the Muong community would increasingly hunger to know the creator God.
- Pray they would be able to live in peace and prosperity.
- Pray that the Muong would be able to embrace God's blessing through His Word for their families and communities.

## ■ 20 Central Kurd in Iraq

Mentioned in the book of Daniel, the Medes are the ancient ancestors of Iran's Central Kurds. Together with other Kurds in Turkey, Iran, Syria, Armenia and Azerbaijan, they are the world's largest stateless ethnic group. They are hated and undermined by the Arabs in Iraq. Their unwillingness to unite with one another has worked against them repeatedly.

*I know your works. Behold, I have set before you an open door, which no one is able to shut. I know that you have but little power, and yet you have kept my word and have not denied my name. —Revelation 3:8*

- Pray for a wide-open door for the Gospel to penetrate the culture of this people group.
- Pray that the Kurdish church would be increasingly evangelistic in ways that are meaningful to Kurds.
- Pray they would welcome missionaries.
- Pray that they would become increasingly dissatisfied with Islam and open up to the ways of Jesus Christ.
- Pray for a movement to Christ among the Central Kurds this decade.

## ■ 21 Yemeni Arab in Yemen

The Yemeni civil war is weakening Yemeni Arabs in every way. Yemenis view foreigners as a threat, especially given the international involvement in their civil war. The Islamic religious system is ingrained in their identity. Christ followers need to build bridges of friendship and trust with Yemeni Arabs. Christians can help them in providing healthcare and refugee work.

*I know your works: you are neither cold nor hot. Would that you were either cold or hot! So, because you are lukewarm, and neither hot nor cold, I will spit you out of my mouth. —Revelation 3:15-16*

- Pray that believers in this people group would become passionate in their zeal for the true God and His Son.
- Pray for the Arabs of Yemen to improve their standard of living.
- Pray for safety and a peace in Yemen.
- Pray that this peace would open doors for those who come as Christ's ambassadors.
- Pray they would enjoy what Christ offers: life to the full.

## ■ 22 Socotran in Yemen

The Socotran live on Yemen's island of Socotra. They differ from mainland Arabs. Christianity was introduced to the people of Socotra as early as 535, when a Nestorian bishop resided on the island, but by 1680, Christianity was gone on the island. Christian radio and television, plus Christian websites, may offer the only means for them to access the Gospel.

*And whenever the living creatures give glory and honor and thanks to him who is seated on the throne, who lives forever and ever, the twenty-four elders fall down before him who is seated on the throne and worship him who lives forever and ever. —Revelation 4:9-10*

- Pray for members in this people group to give glory, honor and thanks to the God who sits on the throne.
- Pray the Socotran people would have opportunities to learn of and respond to Christ.
- Pray for hungry hearts to listen and view Gospel program.
- Pray for Bibles to be distributed on Socotra.

## ■ 23 Jew in Papua New Guinea

The Jewish people in PNG are mostly associated with the Gogodala tribe, which claims to be the lost tribe of Israel. There is a smaller group of Jewish people who use English as their primary language. Jewish people tend to view Christianity as the religion of their oppressors rather than the fulfillment of what God promised all of humanity through Abraham centuries ago. Jewish people have a wonderful understanding of their connection with the Abrahamic Covenant. Tactful Christian believers can show them to connection between that and the fulfillment of it by Jesus Christ.

*And when he had taken the scroll, the four living creatures and the twenty-four elders fell down before the Lamb, each holding a harp, and golden bowls full of incense, which are the prayers of the saints. And they sang a new song, saying, Worthy are you —Revelation 5:8-10*

- Pray for many in this people group to begin to worship and serve the Lord of lords.
- Pray for the Lord to move among Jewish leaders in PNG to open the doors to Christ's ambassadors.
- May the Jewish people in PNG look to the Lord for guidance and truth, and not be satisfied with cultural traditions.
- May they begin a movement to Jesus Christ, finding ways to exalt Him while honoring their culture.

## ■ 24 Doma in Zimbabwe

The Doma of Zimbabwe are hunter gatherers. They are largely illiterate and have little or no access to schools and hospitals. The Doma have little contact with other Zimbabweans. They follow their ethnic religion which has enslaved them to the spirit world. A few also practice Islam and are not open to the Gospel.

*And I heard every creature in heaven and on earth and under the earth and in the sea, and all that is in them, saying, To him who sits on the throne and to the Lamb be blessing and honor and glory and might forever and ever! —Revelation 5:13*

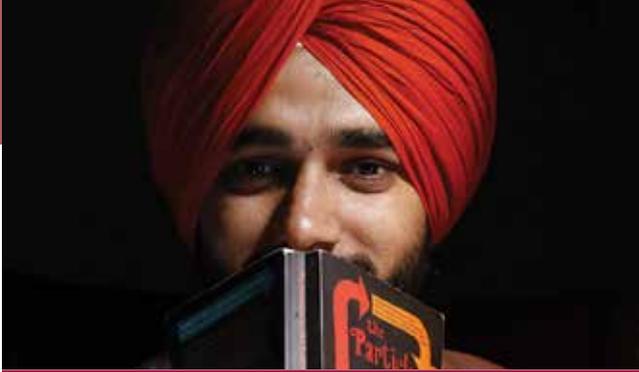
- May God's praises ring out forever among this people group!
- Pray for the Doma people to have access to modern healthcare and schools.
- Pray for dedicated workers who are familiar with their culture and language to reach these people.
- Pray that their hearts would be touched by desperately needed medical and educational mission efforts.

## ■ 25 Marathi in Zimbabwe

During the days of the British colonization of India, the colonizers sent indentured people of India to serve in Zimbabwe. Among them were the Marathis, who hailed from the state of Maharashtra in India. The Marathis are defined by the name of their language, Marathi. Good education and hard work have helped the Marathis become wealthy and prominent citizens in African communities. Today they are an integral part of Zimbabwe's business community.

*After this I looked, and behold, a great multitude that no one could number, from every nation, from all tribes and peoples and languages, standing before the throne and before the Lamb, clothed in white robes, with palm branches in their hands, and cryin —Revelation 7:9-10*

- Pray that many members of this people group would be part of the vast crowd praising God in heaven.
- Pray for the Lord to give the Marathi Hindus in Zimbabwe a receptive minds to understand and embrace their need for Christ.
- Pray for a powerful church planting movement.



### ■ 26 Sikh Ramdasias in India

The Ramdasias are a Sikh sub-group. As Sikhs, the Ramdasias believe in reincarnation. They believe that their good deeds will be rewarded, their bad deeds punished, and they will be born again and again. According to Sikhism, God cannot take on human form. However, Sikhism has several beliefs in common with Christianity. Sikhs believe in one God, the creator of the world, who does not die. They also have a form of baptism.

*And the twenty-four elders who sit on their thrones before God fell on their faces and worshiped God, saying, We give thanks to you, Lord God Almighty, who is and who was, for you have taken your great power and begun to reign. —Revelation 11:16-17*

- Pray for today's people group to worship the true God for His great power and sovereignty over the universe.
- Pray for Sikhs to believe that God truly was born in the person of his Son, Jesus Christ.
- Pray for them realize that salvation is God's gift, not something to be earned.

### ■ 27 Sasak in Indonesia

Sasaks are farmers, laborers, fishermen and craftsmen. Some also weave and create earthenware. They are increasingly looking for work in larger cities, both on Lombok and on other Indonesian islands. There have been Discovery Bible Studies among the Sasak people resulting in many turning their hearts to Jesus. Mission workers can use this foundation.

*Now war arose in heaven, Michael and his angels fighting against the dragon. And the dragon and his angels fought back, but he was defeated, and there was no longer any place for them in heaven. —Revelation 12:7-8*

- Pray for this people group to understand that the Lord of hosts had already defeated the dragon, Satan and his demons.
- Pray that missionaries would be filled with boldness to start many churches among the Sasak that would reproduce rapidly.
- Pray for hearts to be prepared to receive the good news.
- Pray for spiritual hunger among Sasak leaders.

### ■ 28 Banten in Indonesia

Most Banten people make their living as farmers or merchants. In both cases, they need to be prepared to face stiff competition in this modern era. They need better educational facilities as well as joint business ventures with outside companies to achieve a higher level of competitiveness. There are also many Javanese believers living on the same island who can reach them for Christ.

*And he said with a loud voice, Fear God and give him glory, because the hour of his judgment has come, and worship him who made heaven and earth, the sea and the springs of water. —Revelation 14:7*

- Pray for today's people group to learn to fear God and give Him all the glory.
- Pray for the Lord to open a way for Banten people to get the training they need to thrive economically.
- Pray for a spiritual hunger among the Banten people that would lead them to follow Christ.

### ■ 29 Makassar in Indonesia

Siri (respect and honor) is the social code by which the Makassar live. Anyone seriously offending another person's siri runs the risk of being killed; external authorities often refuse to become involved. The Makassar people are almost all Muslims, yet they are influenced by traditional beliefs. Following Jesus among the Makassar is likely to upset community harmony and to lead to discrimination. At this time the Makassar people need training to increase their agricultural production. They lack medical and nutritional personnel, and the Makassar in rural areas still suffer from poor nutrition.

*Here is a call for the endurance of the saints, those who keep the commandments of God and their faith in Jesus. —Revelation 14:12*

- Pray that the Lord would grant endurance to the believers in this people group and that they would be faithful to share the good news.
- Pray for skilled missionaries to meet their needs.

### 30 North Sumatera Malay

The North Sumatera Malay often avoid speaking frankly for fear they will offend someone. They use signs, parables and traditional poetry instead. Other elements of their culture are theater and dance. In the dance, they believe they receive supernatural power by using incantations and occult puppets. Most North Sumatera Malay are Sufi Muslims; however, they still hold to their old animistic beliefs. They believe spirits influence people's lives. Harmony is a priority. For someone in the group to follow Jesus will disrupt this harmony.

*Who will not fear, O Lord, and glorify your name? For you alone are holy. All nations will come and worship you, for your righteous acts have been revealed. —Revelation 15:4*

- Make this also your song of praise to the victorious King of kings!
- Pray for the Lord to thrust out workers who can help the Sumatera Malay achieve better lives.

### 31 Riau Malay in Indonesia

The Riaus are peaceful farmers and fishermen. They are closely related to the Malays living across the sea from them in Malaysia. They keep to themselves and don't mingle with outsiders.

*They will make war on the Lamb, and the Lamb will conquer them, for he is Lord of lords and King of kings, and those with him are called and chosen and faithful. —Revelation 17:14*

- Pray that this people group would understand the fact that the Lamb's victory over evil is assured. Pray that many in this people group will choose to be the faithful ones of the Lamb of God.
- Pray that the few followers of Christ among the Riau Malay people would be so full of the love and joy of the Holy Spirit that others would be willing to put their faith in Jesus as well.
- Pray for believers' protection.
- Pray that the Lord would give dreams and visions to Riau Malay family leaders that would open their hearts to Jesus.
- Pray for a movement to Christ among the Riau Malay people.



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