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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 Dutch settlers. Most came from Indonesia and Malaysia. Later, since Islam was used in Indonesia as a way of protest against the colonial powers, the Dutch colonialists brought Islamic leaders from Indonesia to the Cape for imprisonment. Today the Cape Malay define themselves as Muslims.

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 the Lord would open the eyes of the Cape Malay to see Jesus as He truly is, the Son of God, who came to take away the sins of the world.
- Pray for them to soon have an unstoppable movement to Christ.

■ 2 Azeri Turk in Turkey

The Azeri Turks in Turkey straddle the Turkish and Persian worlds! Their language is Turkish-based, but their religion is Shia Islam. Most speak Azerbaijani and Turkish, two similar languages. The Azeri Turks feel at home in Turkish society. The Azeri Turks have very little contact with any Christian believers. There are believers in nearby Iran, some of whom are Azeri Turks, who can be Christ bearers.

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 for them to contact the Azeri Turks in Turkey and begin to plant churches among them.
- Pray for the Holy Spirit to penetrate and enlighten their hearts with the knowledge of Christ.

■ 3 Spanish Jewish in Turkey

How would you like to be pressured to change your language, culture and religion? That is what the Jews in Ismir and Istanbul face. For many years, Turkey's Islamic government has pressured these Sephardic Jews to assimilate into the Turkish culture, which is primarily Islamic. Most are Sephardic, which means they trace their ancestry to Spain. Tens of thousands of Sephardic Jews from Turkey have immigrated to Israel. There are strong and growing messianic Jewish fellowships in Israel that would be sensitive and equipped to reach these Sephardic Jewish people.

Opponents must be gently instructed, in the hope that God will grant them repentance leading them to a knowledge of the truth, and that they will come to their senses and escape from the trap of the devil, who has taken them captive 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 for these Messianic Jewish people to reach them.

■ 4 Sri Lanka Moor in Sri Lanka

The Moors of Sri Lanka trace their ancestry to Arab traders who settled in the island nation sometime between the eighth and fifteenth centuries. Muslim merchants arrived in large numbers, married local women and stayed. Today the Muslim Moors in Sri Lanka must adjust to living in a country dominated by Buddhists.

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.
- Pray that the few believers who speak Tamil in southern India would develop a burden for the Moors of Sri Lanka.

■ 5 Ilavan in Sri Lanka

The Ilavan people work as toddy-tappers. This means they extract sap from palms such as coconut and palmyra to make an alcoholic beverage. They grow coconut, palm, and sugar. Others are builders, chauffeurs, handymen, truck drivers, and taxi drivers. For centuries, they have believed that the Hindu gods are the only ones who can provide for their needs.

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 comes 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 spiritual hunger.
- Pray for a movement to Christ among the Ilavan people of Sri Lanka.
- Pray for their elders to have a desire for true spiritual nourishment that can only come from Jesus Christ.

■ 6 Khik (Wakhi) in China

The Wakhi live along China's border with Pakistan in the Khunjerab Valley, the valley of blood. Small in number, they are inclusive, living in extended families and usually marrying within their clan. The Wakhi are Shia Muslims who also practice a wide variety of animistic (folk religious) rituals.

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 Wakhi to have the opportunity to hear the gospel.
- Pray for the Bible to be translated into the Wakhi language.
- Ask God for a great harvest of souls among this people group and for a church planting movement to sweep through their homes and villages.



■ 7 Qazilbash in Afghanistan

The Qazilbash have a reputation for being skilled warriors and have long been associated with sources of spiritual power. The religious zeal of the Qazilbash people can potentially be a huge obstacle to the gospel. It can also become an asset if the Holy Spirit leads them to directing that zeal into devotion to the Savior who died to pay for the world's sins.

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 a spiritual hunger that will lead the Qazilbash people to the cross and the empty grave.
- Pray for a clear presentation of the gospel message among the Qazilbash that will lead to a movement to Christ.

■ 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. Conversion from Islam to Christianity is not accepted and there can be serious consequences. Consequently, there are few Sudanese Arabs who follow Christ.

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 adequate rainfall for the crops and livestock of the Guhayna Arabs and for pure drinking water.
- 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. Women teach while men farm. Children attend religious schools called Khalawi where they learn and memorize the Koran before attending government school. The Shaikia tribe speaks and writes its own Arabic dialect.

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 the Shaikia tribe would have improved medical care and 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 and neglected people group.
- Pray for peace in Sudan.

■ 10 Mongaltese Arab in South Sudan

Islam spread throughout much of North Africa from the 7th through the 11th centuries. During this time, it became much more "common" than in Sudan, where it was very hierarchical and mainly followed by the upper classes. One of these "upper class" people groups were the Mongaltese. A relatively high number believe in Jesus, unusual for a predominantly Muslim group in Africa.

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 peace and stability in South Sudan, so the people can thrive and the gospel can go forth.
- Pray for Mongaltese Arabs to recognize their provider and savior, so they can put their trust in Him.
- Pray for workers to be sent by the Holy Spirit.



■ 11 Saramaccan in Suriname

The Saramaccan, descended from African slaves who escaped in the 17th and 18th centuries, speak Saramaccan, a mix of West African languages, English and Portuguese. Many Saramaccan live along rivers, which they use for drinking water, fishing and transportation. Ancestors, forest spirits and snake gods play roles in Saramaccan culture.

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 that Jesus to become their source of eternal salvation.
- Pray that God would soften their hearts to Christ.
- Pray for Saramaccan believers to facilitate a movement to Christ among their people.

■ 12 Swedish Jewish in Sweden

Sweden's Jewish population experienced antisemitism especially in the 1930s, when Sweden was under the influence of German Nazis. Since that time, Swedes have learned to hate any form of racism. However, there are a large number of recently arrived Muslims, some of whom hold hostile feelings toward Jews. Sweden's Jewish population is urban and prosperous.

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 leads this people group to hope in Christ and that He becomes the trustworthy anchor of their souls.
- Pray that efforts to reach the Jews in Sweden would be conducted by those who love them and want them to thrive as a community.
- Pray for Messianic Jews to present Jesus in a culturally appropriate way.
- Pray for a movement to Christ among Swedish Jews.



■ 13 Swiss Jewish in Switzerland

Jews have lived in Switzerland since the 13th century. They are united in the Swiss Federation of Jewish Communities which represents 23 Jewish organizations and 17 Jewish communities. These communities comprise ultra-Orthodox, Orthodox, Reform and Liberal Jews. Commonly, Swiss Jews work in the textile and clock industries.

This makes Jesus the guarantor of a better covenant. (Hebrews 7:22)

- Pray that this people group would believe in Jesus and would embrace the blessings of the New Covenant.
- Pray that God would cause the Swiss Jews to know the living Lord through being open to the witness of God's caring, patient people.
- Pray for an unstoppable movement to Christ among Swiss Jews.

■ 14 Alawite in Syria

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 his group's teachings.

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 the few Alawites who have decided to accept Jesus as their lord. They need encouragement and prayer support.
- Pray the Lord would use turmoil in the Middle East 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 Kulobi are proud of their high position in Tajik society. Pride can often prevent people from coming to Christ.

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 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 in Tajik.
- Pray for a movement to Christ among them.

■ 16 Alagwa in Tanzania

The Alagwa are a very reserved people, slow to receive outsiders. Their quiet reserve also extends to their religious lives. Christian missionaries, whether expatriates or Tanzanian, have historically left in discouragement from lack of response.

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 for the Lord to equip workers to reach out to the Alagwa people.
- Pray that the Alagwa people would have a spiritual hunger that will open their hearts to the King of kings.
- Pray for workers who are driven by the love and boldness of the Holy Spirit to go to them.
- Pray for a movement to Christ among them to begin soon.

■ 17 Zaramo in Tanzania

Zaramo marriages are usually polygamous and divorce is frequent. Their family names come from the mother's side. The children always belong to the clan of their mother rather than their father. Zaramo are predominantly 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.

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.
- There are many strongly Christian tribes in Tanzania.
- Pray for them to be burdened to share Christ with the Zaramo people. It will be difficult, but the Holy Spirit can move through them.
- Pray for improved literacy levels for the Zaramo and for strong, loving marriages.

■ 18 Muslim Thai in Thailand

The Muslim Thai people live in a land where Islam and Malay cultures are to their south and Thai languages and Buddhism are to their north. Muslim Thai speak a Thai language, but they are Muslims like their Malay neighbors to the south. Unfortunately, they have not had the chance to turn their hearts to Jesus Christ and make Him the center of their identity.

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 that followers of Jesus would, through the Lord's guidance, plant churches among the Muslim Thai.
- Pray for a spiritual hunger to come to Muslim Thai leaders.
- Pray for the Name of Jesus to be known by people in every Muslim Thai village.

■ 19 Pattani Malay in Thailand

The Pattani Malay, a devout Muslim people, 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.

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 for God's peace in southern Thailand.
- Pray that the Holy Spirit would reveal Christ to Pattani Malay leaders.
- Pray that God the Son, Jesus Christ, would come to Pattani Malay leaders in dreams.
- Ask the Lord to raise up persons of peace among the Pattani Malay who will receive the gospel and disciple others.

■ 20 Hindu Sutradhar in Bangladesh

Sutradhar means "thread holder"; they are known for crafting beautiful wood doors, windows, boats, etc. Because of their artisanal skill, some of them work for entrepreneurs in cities. Those who are successful can get paid well, but the majority of Sutradhar are novices and struggle financially. The Bangladeshis take Sutradhar territory without consent from the government.

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.
- Pray for the Lord to thrust out loving believers to the Sutradhar leading to an unstoppable movement to Christ.
- Pray that these Hindus would be exposed to the good news of Jesus and repent of their sin and follow the Messiah as their new master.

■ 21 Kotokoli in Togo

The Kotokoli live in the West African countries of Togo, Ghana, and Benin. They emigrated from what is now Burkina Faso into the Sokode region during the 1600s and 1700s. In time, the Kotokoli developed a reputation for sharp and perhaps underhanded dealings in trade. Kotokolis are growing in numbers and in their social, economic, and political impact.

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.
- Ask God to send forth long-term workers into West Africa to work among the Kotokoli.
- Pray for a movement to Christ among Kotokoli family leaders that will spread far and deep.

■ 22 Bhoksa in India

The Bhoksa have 15 clans but are not clannish. They are Hindu, but they still like Christmas! They live in Himalayan forests although they did not originate there. They live in Uttarakhand and Jammu and Kashmir of India, and they are a Scheduled Caste, so they have low status. After marriage, wives cannot see some of their in-laws. They fear spirits and ghosts, worship Hindu gods, and celebrate Hindu festivals.

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 very few believers would grow in grace and knowledge of the Lord and in boldness of witness, especially at Christmas time.
- Pray that God would direct believing physicians, agriculturalists, educators, sanitation engineers, and Bible translators to work among them.

■ 23 Tunisian Jewish 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 are now in Tunisia. Farsi and Arabic are the dominant languages of Jews living in Tunisia.

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 that the Tunisian Jews who already know Christ would live by example and have the courage to take the Savior of the world to their families and friends.
- Pray for a movement to Christ.

■ 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. However, a Turk and a Kurd differ by their facial features and language. 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.

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 draws this people group to Himself.
- Pray that their hearts are purified and become completely devoted to Him.
- Pray for a powerful movement to Christ among Turkish speaking Kurds.
- Pray for their spiritual openness to Jesus Christ, especially among elders.
- Pray also for justice and peace in the Kurdish homeland.



■ 25 Abkhaz in Turkey

The people of Abkhaz belong to both Orthodox Christianity (dominant in Abkhazia) and Sunni Islam (dominant in Turkey). The Abkhaz who moved to Turkey adapted the culture of Turkey and many of them speak Turkish rather their own native language.

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 are born again and become part of God's family.
- Pray for the Abkhaz Christians to be biblically strong followers of Christ and for them to be able to stand firm in their trials.
- Pray for the believers to be discerning in sharing the gospel and pray that the Lord would work mightily through them.

■ 26 Zaza-Dimli in Turkey

Dimli means "of Dailam". It is likely these people are descendants of those who lived in the region of the Caspian sea called Dailam. They have been fierce warriors, focused on conquest. The Dimli differ from the Kurds in two ways: language and religion. They have a distinct dialect, and are seen as heretics by the Kurds, who are Sunnis. The Dimli follow Alevi Shia religious traditions.

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 for these people to live peaceful lives, establishing good relationships with the Turkish government and other ethnic groups.
- Pray for Scripture and other language-based resources in the language of the Zaza-Dimli.

■ 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 to their culture. This has resulted in many pre-Soviet cultural traits surviving in Turkmen society. Recent settlements and revivals heralded the return of a moderate form of Islam while secularism and atheism remain prominent for many Turkmen intellectuals.

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 and that they see its truth and beauty.
- 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 Sarikoli Tajik in China

The Sarikoli Tajiks are one of the most unreached peoples in China. They have kept their language and culture fairly isolated. The land is harsh, so this agricultural community grows only what they can eat and practices small-scale animal husbandry. Sarikoli Tajik families are composed of multigenerational households, with strict roles and traditions. For centuries, they have lived in tribal and clan structures with the tradition of following Shia Islam. Like the Uighurs and Kyrgyz, they have been victim to the Chinese government's crackdown on ethnic and religious minority groups.

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 become God's children.
- Pray that Sarikoli Tajik hearts would crave their key role in God's redemptive plan.
- Pray for a Disciple Making Movement.

■ 29 Aringa in Uganda

The Aringa people are subsistence farmers who live primarily in northwestern Uganda. They grow tobacco and cotton as cash crops. They are primarily Muslim, though their practice of Islam is tainted by traditional religion. There are now a growing number of Christ followers.

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 words of wisdom to believers who share their faith to this people group.
- 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 adequate rain so that the Aringa can have an abundant harvest.

■ 30 Nubi in Uganda

The Nubi population is somewhat scattered because unlike the other East African tribes, they have no historic homeland. The Nubi are strictly and piously Muslim.

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 that community leaders would become open to the possibility of Bible translation in their language.
- Pray for mature believers in the local community to intentionally reach out to the Nubi.
- Pray that God would open the hearts of the Nubi people to see who Jesus really is and be willing to follow him, despite great social pressure.
- Pray for a movement to Christ among the Nubi.

DECEMBER

■ 1 Tabasaran in Ukraine

Friendship and hospitality is placed at the highest value in Tabasaran culture. If a person has many friends, he is a 'wealthy' person. This is true not only for first-time international friends, but within the culture in daily friendship hospitality with one another. If a guest visits your home, everything else is dropped and the relationship takes priority.

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 the Holy Spirit to work powerfully in the lives of many Tabasarians who have already heard the gospel—that they would have courage to respond.
- 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

The Orochi are among the peoples groups in Russia's far east. They come from a land where few can live, so most have moved to Ukraine and other parts of Russia where they can make a living. They are in the process of adapting to a country that is at war with Russia. The Orochi people are Buddhist, shamanistic or marginally Russian Orthodox.

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 are clothed with humility and grace.
- Pray for spiritual hunger to permeate Orochi society, giving them the desire and ability to follow Jesus.
- Pray for the Lord to thrust out the right workers.
- Pray for a movement to Christ among the Orochi in both Russia and Ukraine.

■ 3 Emirati Arab in 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 enriched them. Many foreigners live and work in the UAE.

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 for foreigners to take Christ to those facing a Christ-less eternity.
- Pray for Christ followers in the Arabian Peninsula to adopt and pray for the Gulf Arab nomads.
- Pray for the Holy Spirit to send dreams to the Gulf Arabs that would awaken a hunger and thirst for truth when they hear about Christ.

■ 4 Gujarati in the UK

Gujaratis in the UK have taken on western dress, speak the English language and strive for the Western level of success. Yet, most have retained their traditional religion, Hinduism. Gujaratis feel connected to their mother country, India, and stay in contact with their relatives there. Most of the immigrants to the UK are concentrated in large cities where they face problems such as crime and drug abuse.

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 a spiritual hunger among Gujarati Hindus that would lead them to the only Savior.
- Pray for people who have the right background to go to them.
- Pray that the UK would be an incubator for a Gujarati movement 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.

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 protects the believers in today's people group from false teachers and false teaching.
- 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 Muslim Bengalis in the United Kingdom.

■ 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.

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 grow in the grace and knowledge of Jesus Christ.
- Pray for loving workers to take Christ to them.
- Pray for the Holy Spirit to thrust out workers to the Muslim Pashtuns in the UK.
- Pray for dreams and visions of Jesus among them.
- Pray for the unknown number of believers to become Christ's ambassadors to many others.

■ 7 Somali in the US

Most Somalis in the United States fled Somalia when their country collapsed in 1991. A 2000 report by the United Nations High Commissioner of Refugees (UNHCR) records 5,200 Somali refugees received asylum in the United States. This small number has continued to grow, however, partly from more refugees, and partly from them starting families in the new country.

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 that the Somali believers in the US would share the good news they have encountered with their friends and family.
- Pray for the Holy Spirit to begin working on the hearts of Somalis to recognize that reconciliation with God comes only through Christ.

■ 8 Laven in the US

Buddhism in Laven society serves more as a veneer to traditional ethnic religions involving ancestor worship and animism. Many have migrated to the US along with others from Southeast Asia. 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?

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 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.

■ 9 Telugu-speaking South Asian in the US

In the US South Asians jokingly call themselves "desis," and put aside old religious and communal animosities. They use English as their common language, yet each South Asian language group likes to have their own associations. For this reason, there are Telugu (language) associations throughout the US. Forward (higher, more powerful) caste members are the ones who have the opportunity to move to Western countries, and they feel they have the most to lose by embracing Christ. For this reason, very few Christian believers exist among Telugu speakers in the West.

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 a movement to penetrate forward caste Telugu-speaking people in the United States who 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 Los Angeles area. Perhaps Christians in the Los Angeles area will take the initiative to reach out to the Phu Tai people.

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 loving workers.
- Pray for Phu Tai Buddhists in the United States to come into contact with Spirit-filled believers who will share Christ with them.

■ 11 Hindu Gujar in the US

The Gujar castes are broadly divided along religious and geographic lines into two groups: the Muslim Gujar and the Hindu Gujar. In the US they are mingling with other Hindu communities. Hindus like the Gujars who migrate to the United States are primarily concerned with improving their economic situation. They often neglect their spiritual lives or settle for traditional Hindu rituals.

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 realizes that it is only through the Son of God, Jesus Christ, that they can obtain eternal life.
- Pray for the Lord to prepare loving and tenacious servants to go to the Gujar people in the United States.
- Pray for a movement to Christ among the Hindu Gujar that would spread to their communities in India.

■ 12 Spanish-speaking Jewish in Uruguay

Sephardic Jewish immigrants first started coming to Uruguay from Turkey in 1907. By 1920, they had opened retail stores in Montevideo. Indifference to their Jewish roots, decreased population, and immigration to Israel have made it difficult for followers of Christ to befriend the Uruguayan Jewish people and share with them the biblical power of God and His grace found in Jesus.

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 a movement to Christ among Uruguayan Jewish people. At this point, we know of none who accept the redemption of Christ.
- Pray for the Lord to thrust out loving, faithful ambassadors to this Jewish population.

■ 13 Northern Uzbek in Uzbekistan

Many younger Muslim Uzbeks are looking for a belief system to satisfy their deepest spiritual hunger. They need workers to sow God's Word into Uzbek families, healing and strengthening households with God's blessing.

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 rejects false teachers and false doctrine.
- Pray that believers among the Uzbeks would be effective at engaging their families and communities in discussing Bible stories and experiencing God's blessing.
- Pray the Uzbeks would understand that Jesus desires to bless their families and neighborhoods.



■ 14 Tajik in Uzbekistan

Most Tajiks are Sunni Muslims, although some are Shia. A small portion are considered non-religious. They remain closed to the gospel.

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 raises up pastors and teachers in this people group who set good examples and are able to teach the Bible.
- Pray for humanly impossible obstacles to the gospel to be overcome by the Holy Spirit.
- Pray that many would come together for prayer and fellowship in the greatest name, that of the Lord Jesus Christ.
- Pray for a spiritual hunger among the Tajiks in Uzbekistan.
- Pray that many among these people would receive Christ's ambassadors as well as the Lord's blessings.
- Pray for a movement of Tajik households to study the Bible and accept the blessings of Christ.

■ 15 Parsee in Iran

Today Parsees who live in Iran, primarily in Tehran, experience persecution that has forced many to worship in secret. It is hard to reach someone who is hiding. Zoroastrian followers are often isolated and do not identify themselves for fear of persecution from the Shia Muslim majority. Strong friendship between Iranian Parsees and followers of Christ can potentially develop trust and allow believers to share what faith in the resurrected Christ can do for all of us.

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 and forever. Amen (Jude 1:24-25)

- Make this your prayer for today's people group.
- Pray for a powerful movement to Christ among Iran's Parsees.
- Pray for Iranian believers to reach out to their Parsee neighbors.

■ 16 Cuiba in Venezuela

The Cuiba 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. They have a history of people from outside taking advantage of them. There may be an understandable mistrust of outsiders, including missionaries. There are Cuiba believers in Colombia and Venezuela. These brothers and sisters could be encouraged to obey Christ's command to make him known among other members of their tribe.

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 that the Cuiba believers would be strengthened in the faith.
- Pray they would reject adding anything to the simple gospel.
- Pray the Cuiba would know experience and protection. Pray for a movement to Christ.

■ 17 Dui-Menia Bedouin in Algeria

The term 'Bedu' in the Arabic language refers to one who lives out in the open, in the desert. In ancient times, most people settled near rivers but the Bedouin people preferred to live in the open desert. The Bedouins are seen as Arab culture's purest representatives and the Bedouins continue to be hailed by other Arabs as "ideal" Arabs, especially because of their oral poetic tradition, their herding lifestyle, and their traditional code of honor.

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 gospel radio to be widely available throughout the lands of the Bedouin.
- Pray for pure drinking water for the Bedouin, for improved medical care and for employment opportunities.

■ 18 Coong in Vietnam

The Coong people live in northwestern Vietnam in houses built on stilts along riverbanks to avoid damage from flooding during the rainy season. They travel in boats. The Coong worship ancestors and practice animism or folk religion. They look to evil spirits and the souls of their departed ancestors for help. They fear these spirits and they do not feel at liberty to follow Jesus.

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 for a "book of Acts" movement for these people through the work of the Holy Spirit.
- Pray that loving Vietnamese Christians would lead the Coong people to Jesus.
- Pray for Coong disciples who will make more disciples.

■ 19 Muong in Vietnam

There has been little missionary work among the Muong, though they are a large people group. They practice their traditional ethnic religion which connects them to their ancestors. This is part of their identity as a people. There are strong believers in Vietnam who can take Christ to this people group.

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 the few believers among the Muong would be united around the truth of Scripture and would lead holy lives, wanting to know and serve Jesus Christ.
- Pray for the gospel to spread from one family to the next, transforming them in beautiful ways.
- Pray they would be able to live in peace and prosperity.



■ 20 Kumzari in Oman

The Kumzari are located in northern Oman. The only gap among their crowded houses is a narrow drainage channel. The Kumzari are entirely Muslim, but they have their own type of folk Islam which combines Islam with their pre-Islamic practices. They believe in a she-devil who casts shadows and walks around in rags, carrying a basket. She is believed to cause miscarriages in pregnant women.

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 become passionate in their zeal for the true God and His Son.
- Pray for Christian radio to become available widely throughout Oman and even in the language of the Kumzari people.
- Pray the people would learn of these broadcasts and that the Lord would give them understanding as they listen.

■ 21 Yemeni Arab in Yemen

Today Yemen is at the extreme poverty level. Their civil war is weakening them in every way. Yemenis view foreigners as a threat, especially given the international involvement in their civil war.

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 few followers of Christ among these Arabs would strongly cling to their faith in a harsh environment.
- Pray for safety and 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 tiny island called Socotra belongs to Yemen. It is named as a World Natural Heritage Site and described as the most alien-looking place on Earth. Some Socotrans raise cattle and goats; others sell dates, ghee, tobacco, and fish. Although Christianity was introduced and faith was practiced for many years, Christianity in Socotra went into decline when a Muslim sultanate took power in the 16th century. Today, the Socotran are almost completely Sunni Muslim.

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 to take the scroll and to open its seals, for you were slain, and by your blood you ransomed people for God from every tribe and language and people and nation, and you have made them a kingdom and priests to our God, and they shall reign on the earth. (Revelation 5:8–10)

- Pray for many in this people group to begin to worship and serve the Lord of lords.
- Pray that Christian satellite TV broadcasts would be made available in the Soqotri language.
- Ask the Lord of the harvest to send more laborers to the Socotran to help start a movement to Christ.

■ 23 Yao in Zambia

Yao people wear charms in a vain effort to protect themselves from ill health. They often use folk cures rather than modern medicine. Islam is a central part of Yao identity. There are all kinds of Christian materials in the Yao language that can be distributed to their community leaders.

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 that Yao people in Zambia will put their full trust in the God of the Bible rather than in the spirit world and charms.
- Pray for Yao believers to take the gospel to the Yao people in Zambia.
- Pray for a Disciple Making Movement to emerge among Yao communities in Africa.

■ 24 Doma in Zimbabwe

There is a great need for healthcare and educational opportunities for the Doma tribe, which might help introduce them to the life-giving Savior. The government's efforts to integrate them with the mainline Zimbabweans also might expose them to the Christian world, granting them access to Bibles and churches.

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 crying out with a loud voice, Salvation belongs to our God who sits on the throne, and to the Lamb! (Revelation 7:9-10)

- Pray that many members of this people group will be part of the vast crowd praising God in heaven.
- Pray that the local churches in the area would show the love and kindness of the Savior to the isolated tribe.
- Pray for dedicated workers who are familiar with their culture and language to reach these people.
- Pray their hearts will be touched by desperately needed medical and educational mission efforts.

■ 25 Marathi Jewish 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. The Marathis are defined by the name of the language they speak, which is Marathi. Good education and hard work ethics have helped the current generation of Marathis become wealthy and prominent citizens in Zimbabwe.

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 that the few followers of Christ among the Marathis in Zimbabwe would exhibit the fruit of the Holy Spirit and draw others to the Savior.
- Pray for the Lord to give Marathi people a receptive minds to understand and embrace their need for Christ.

■ 26 Murego-Gubden in Russia

The Murego-Gubden people used to live off livestock farming, and they were famous for their fine produce. Currently, Gubden's residents drive trucks full of fruit and vegetables or work in a stone quarry. The Murego's fondness for strict Sharia Law indicates they do not realize they need grace from a truly holy God.

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 believers would befriend the Murego and help them to see the hope, healing, and new life that are found only by knowing the living Lord and His son, Jesus Christ.
- Pray for a series of discovery Bible studies to spread throughout their region.

■ 27 Baharia in Egypt

Bahariya is the name of an oasis in north central Egypt. There are many villages near the oasis. The oasis has changed drastically since an asphalt road connecting Bahariya to Cairo was finished in the early 1970s. Antiquities (tombs, mummies and other artifacts) draw tourists, who bring much needed revenue to the area. Believers can bring the good news as they visit sites of interest.

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 the Lord would open the spiritual eyes of Baharia imams (Muslim prayer leaders) who have much spiritual influence. May the Son of God reveal Himself to many in dreams or visions.
- Pray for a Disciple Making Movement.



■ 28 Nghari Tibetan in China

Nghari Tibetan people believe that immersion in one of two holy lakes south of Mount Kailas will release people from their sins for a lifetime. Pilgrims who trek to the top of the Dolma Pass are believed to be born again in the process. Folk Tibetans believe in a hell divided into eight hot and eight cold levels. Sinners are made to suffer until they have worked off their demerits.

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 grants endurance to the believers in this people group and that they are faithful to share the good news.
- Pray for a hunger for spiritual truth and a willingness to seek and find answers in Christ.
- Pray for the Lord to raise up His ambassadors to the Nghari Tibetans.

■ 29 Soninke in France

Soninke in France work hard so their children can have a higher education and have the chance of reaching professional status. Islam is a key part of their identity in this secular land. Fear of being rejected by their families and community keeps Soninke people from accepting Christ.

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 that the Soninke in Africa, France and beyond would be open to Christ's answers for their lives and respond with love and devotion to Him.
- Pray that believers would not grow weary in reaching out to Soninke people in France through Bible portions and the God's Way videos in the Soninke language.

■ 30 Sudhan in India

The Sudhan are heavily influenced by Wahabism, an orthodox form of Islam. Very few from that sect have turned to Christ. Although the Bible and other resources are available in their languages (Kashmiri and Dogri), the Sudhan continue to reject the good news of Christ.

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 understands 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.
- Ask God to bring a great spiritual harvest and establish a church planting movement among the Sudhan people.
- Pray for him to give their leaders a hunger for His Word and a desire to know Him.
- Pray for the Kingdom of God to come powerfully to the Sudhan.

■ 31 Hindu Taga in India

Did the Taga lose Brahmin high caste status, or did they abandon it when they adopted farming? Whatever the answer, today they run modern family farms, and as a people group, they are divided into two divisions. Other Taga have left farming for the professions and civil service in the city. Although they are seen as 100 percent Hindu, a small number go as pilgrims to Sufi Muslim sites.

After this I heard what seemed to be the loud voice of a great multitude in heaven, crying out, Hallelujah! Salvation and glory and power belong to our God. (Revelation 19:1)

- Pray that many members of this people group join the vast crowd in heaven praising God for His glory, power and free gift of salvation.
- Pray that the Church would recognize the need to evangelize Tagas and develop strategies to reach them in both rural and urban Delhi.