

# 10/40 WINDOW

## *Prayer Calendar*

A Daily Guide to Praying  
for the Least Reached Peoples  
of the 10/40 Window



**“I will build my church,  
and the gates of hell  
will not prevail against it.”**

**Matt. 16:18**

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## **What is the 10/40 Window?**

The 10/40 Window is home to some of the least reached peoples on earth. So called, because it focuses on an area of the world between 10 and 40 degrees latitude, this region represents an incredible window of opportunity for the Church. In this region live 1.3 billion Muslims, 800 million Hindus and 500 million Buddhists who live with little or no understanding of Jesus.

The peoples in this region have received the least amount of missionary effort and resources. They have the least access to the gospel and the greatest barriers to cross in accepting Jesus as their savior. Researchers estimate that 2.7 billion people in this region have yet to hear the gospel in a way they can understand. They speak over 4,000 languages and live in thousands of tribes and peoples. Among these least reached peoples, 50,000 people will die every day, most of whom never had someone come live among them to share the love of Christ.

Missionary work in the 10/40 Window is greatly restricted. Ninety-five percent of those being imprisoned, tortured and martyred for their faith live in this region. Even so, the gospel is gaining a foothold in almost every country. Tens of thousands of Muslims, Hindus and Buddhists have been receiving dreams and visions of Jesus. As God's people have faithfully prayed for the 10/40 Window, his light has been shining in the most incredible ways.

## **Introducing the 10/40 Window Prayer Alliance**

At the heart of the 10/40 Window Prayer Alliance is this calendar you are holding in your hands. Each of the unreached peoples of this region have been grouped into 12 affinity blocs, representing each month of the year. 3,700 unreached peoples have been clustered around 365 "gateway" peoples, or one for each day. A gateway people is a large group which has influence on many surrounding smaller groups. For example, on January 1st we will be praying for the 25,000,000 Muslim Pashtun of Afghanistan, as well as the nearby Jakati (a Muslim group of 210,000) and the Waneci (a Muslim group of 100,000).

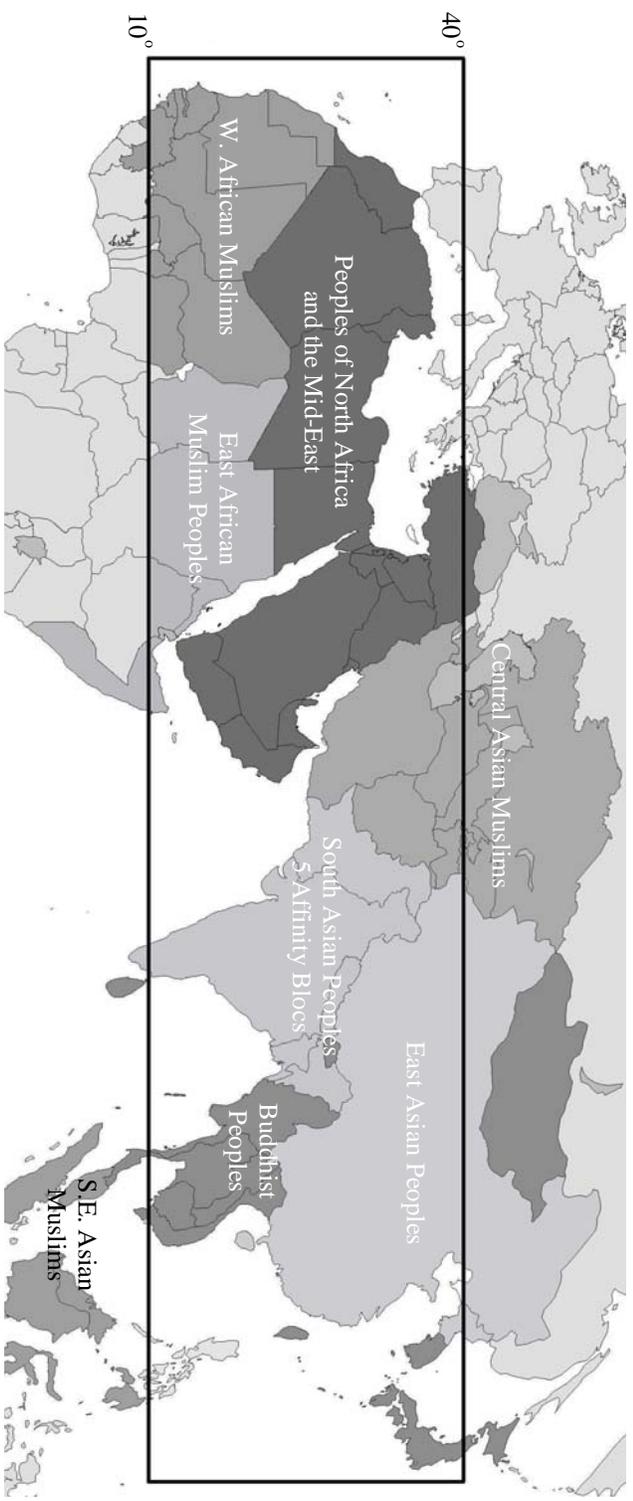
## **Signing Up**

Joining the 10/40 Window Prayer Alliance will bring you into partnership with millions of believers around the world, on every continent and in every country, who are committed to praying for spiritual breakthroughs in this region. Joining this alliance involves three simple commitments:

1. Adopting one of the least-reached groups for prayer each day.
2. Praying through the 10/40 Window Prayer Calendar.
3. Becoming a prayer advocate by recruiting others.



## Affinity Blocs of the 10/40 WINDOW REGION



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| 90% of the least evangelized              | 1.3 billion Muslims                   |
| 50,000 die every day without Christ       | 800 million Hindus                    |
| 85% of the poorest of the poor            | 500 million Buddhists                 |
| 90% of the world's "restricted" countries | 2,000 least-evangelized ethnic groups |

## Getting Started

There are three steps to getting started with the 10/40 Window Prayer Alliance. (If you don't have access to the web, write us and we will help you get started with adopting a people and staying accountable in prayer through regular mail. See the address at the back of this booklet.)

### **Step One: Register your commitment at [www.prayeralliance.org](http://www.prayeralliance.org)**

Here at this website you can register your commitment to pray daily through the 10/40 Window Prayer Calendar and for your adopted unreached group. You can sign-in every week, (or as often as you want) and record the time you have prayed. This will help you stay accountable and will encourage others.

### **Step Two: Join (or start) a monthly prayer fellowship that focuses intercession on the affinity bloc being prayed for each month.**

One of the best ways to recruit others and keep the prayer-fires alive is to meet regularly with others and pray through the 10/40 Window Prayer Calendar. During this time you can show the monthly video giving an update on the affinity bloc being prayed for and intercede in small groups for all the peoples listed for that month. You can start a frontier mission fund and contribute what you raise, or earn as a group, to reaching the affinity bloc being prayed for each month.

### **Step Three: Recruit 10 other people to join the 10/40 Window Prayer Alliance by the year 2020.**

We are committed to equipping prayer advocates for the 10/40 Window in whatever way we can—in every country, city, town and village where there are followers of Jesus. Write us and let us know what you need and how we can help you recruit others in your area.

#### **MY COMMITMENT**

Before the Lord, I commit to do my *absolute best* to pray each day through the 10/40 Window Prayer Calendar, and for the unreached group I have adopted, the \_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_, each day for at least \_\_\_\_\_.

Country/Region

Time in Minutes

Further, I will do my best to meet regularly with others each month to corporately intercede for spiritual breakthroughs in this region. Lord willing, I will prayerfully lead at least 10 others to participate in this special prayer alliance by the year 2020.

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

## 12 Affinity Blocs and Their Assigned Month

In these groups are 2.7 billion least evangelized people and 3,700 unreached ethnic groups. With the exception of the Tribal Peoples of South Asia, each of these affinity blocs is less than 1% Christian.

Month	Affinity Bloc	Population	% Chr
January	Central Asian Muslim Peoples	220,000,000	0.03%
February	Hindu Middle Caste Peoples	300,000,000	0.07%
March	Least Reached Peoples of East Asia	200,000,000	0.35%
April	Buddhist Peoples	500,000,000	0.65%
May	West African Muslim Peoples	120,000,000	0.05%
June	Hindu Lower Caste Peoples	200,000,000	0.85%
July	South Asian Muslim Peoples	400,000,000	0.01%
August	East African Muslim Peoples	100,000,000	0.02%
September	N. African and Mid East Peoples	320,000,000	0.01%
October	Tribal Peoples of South Asia	100,000,000	1.05%
November	SE Asian Muslim Peoples	200,000,000	0.02%
December	Upper Caste Peoples of South Asia	200,000,000	0.01%

## Vision 2020

A disciple-making movement in every  
“nation, tribe, people and language”  
by the year 2020.

(Rev. 5:9, 7:9)

### Goals of Vision 2020:

1. To recruit 100,000 new missionaries for the final frontiers of the Great Commission.
2. To raise 100 million dollars a year for pioneering new work.
3. To mobilize and equip 10 million intercessors to pray daily for the fulfillment of Revelation 5:9 and 7:9.
4. To build an alliance of pastors, churches, agencies, businessmen, bible colleges and seminaries, and whoever else is willing, to ensure that every person in every language and people group has access to the gospel and to a disciple-making fellowship where they can grow in Christ and participate in the Great Commission.
5. To see Jesus return! (Matt. 24:14; 2 Pet. 3:12).

Are you willing to commit a small part of every day in prayer for the fulfillment of this vision? To seeing the greatest harvest the world has ever known come in from the ends of the earth? To be a part of the completion of the Great Commission and to “hasten his coming?” (2 Pet. 3:12). *If you're a follower of Jesus, how can you not!*

## I. Praying the Scriptures for Unreached Peoples

### 1. Pray for open *doors* to share the gospel.

*“Pray for us too, that God may open a door for our message.” Col. 4:3*

### 2. Pray that the message would be *honored* and spread *rapidly*.

*“Pray for us that the message of the Lord may spread rapidly and be honored.” 2 Thess. 3:1*

### 3. Pray that the eyes of the lost would be *opened*.

*“I am sending you to them to open their eyes and turn them from darkness to light and from the power of Satan to God.” Acts 26:17-18*

### 4. Pray that leaders would be *favorable* to the gospel.

*“I urge, then, first of all, that requests, prayers, intercession and thanksgiving be made for everyone—for kings and all those in authority, that we may live peaceful and quiet lives in all godliness and holiness.” 1 Tim. 2:1-4*

### 5. Pray that they would find the gospel *attractive*.

*Paul urged believing slaves to honor their masters so that “in every way they will make the teaching about God our savior attractive.” Titus 2:10*

### 6. Pray that they might experience the *power* of God.

*After the earthquake in the prison, the jailer had only one question of Paul and Silas: “He then brought them out and asked, ‘Sirs, what must I do to be saved?’” Acts 16:30*

## II. Praying the Scriptures for Missionary Teams

### 1. Pray for *deliverance* from opposition to preaching the gospel.

*“I urge you . . . to join me in my struggle by praying to God for me. Pray that I may be rescued from the unbelievers in Judea . . .” Romans 15:30*

*“Yes, and I will continue to rejoice, for I know that through your prayers and the help given by the Spirit of Jesus Christ, what has happened to me will turn out for my deliverance.” Php. 1:18-19*

### 2. Pray that they might be able to *boldly* proclaim the gospel.

*“Pray also for me, that whenever I open my mouth, words may be given me so that I will fearlessly make known the mystery of the gospel . . . Pray that I may declare it fearlessly, as I should.” Eph. 6:19-20*

### 3. Pray that the message would be *clearly* presented.

*“Pray for us, too, that God would open a door for our message, so that we may proclaim the mystery of Christ, for which I am in chains. Pray that I may proclaim it clearly, as I should.” Col. 4:3-4*

**4. Pray for *unity* between the team members.**

*"I pray also for those who will believe in me through their message, that all of them may be one. . . . May they be brought to complete unity to let the world know..." John 17:20-23*

**5. Pray for *protection* from Satanic opposition.**

*"Take up the shield of faith, with which you can extinguish all the flaming arrows of the evil one. . . . With this in mind, be alert and always keep on praying..." Eph 6:16-18*

**6. Pray for *clear direction* from the Lord.**

*"When they came to the border of Mysia, they tried to enter Bithynia, but the Spirit of Jesus would not allow them to." Acts 16:7*

**III. Praying the Scriptures for the Emerging Church**

**1. Pray that they may be *active in sharing* their faith.**

*"I pray that you may be active in sharing your faith, so that you will have a full understanding of every good thing we have in Christ." Philemon 6*

**2. Pray that they *grow into maturity*, bearing much fruit.**

*"Since the day we heard about you, we have not stopped praying for you and asking God to fill you with the knowledge of his will through all spiritual wisdom and understanding. And we pray this in order that you may live a life worthy of the Lord and may please him in every way: bearing fruit in every good work, growing in the knowledge of God . . ." Colossians 1:9-10*

**3. Pray that their *love would abound* for each other.**

*"And this is my prayer: that your love may abound more and more in knowledge and depth of insight, so that you may be able to discern what is best and may be pure and blameless until the day of Christ . . ." Php. 1:9*

**4. Pray that they may be able to *boldly stand firm* in one spirit.**

*"Conduct yourselves in a manner worthy of the gospel of Christ. . . . stand firm in one spirit, contending as one man for the faith of the gospel without being frightened in any way by those who oppose you." Php. 1:27-28*

**5. Pray for God to *raise up leaders* among them.**

*"It was he who gave some to be apostles, some to be prophets, some to be evangelists, some to be pastors and teachers, to prepare God's people for works of service, so that the body of Christ may be built up until we all reach unity in the faith . . ." Eph. 4:11-12*

**6. Pray for protection from *false teaching*.**

*"Then we will no longer be infants, tossed back and forth by the waves, and blown here and there by every wind of teaching . . ." Eph. 4:14*

*"I know that after I leave, savage wolves will come in among you and will not spare the flock." Acts 20:29*

# January Central Asian Muslim Peoples



## Quick Facts

- About 300 People Groups
- 220 Million People
- 100% Muslim
- 13 Countries, including:
  - Iran*– 30 Million, 120 peoples
  - Afghanistan*– 25 Mill, 40 peoples
  - Uzbekistan*– 20 Mill, 8 peoples
  - Russia*– 30 Million, 12 peoples

## Who They Are:

Central Asia is home to two major affinity blocs of un-reached peoples: the Indo-Iranian cluster and the Turkic cluster. Related groups in the Indo-Iranian cluster are the Persians (30 million), Pashtun (25 million) and Kurds (25 million). The Turkic cluster includes groups like the Uzbeks (20 million), Azeris (22 million), and the Kazakhs (13 million). Most of these groups became Muslim between the 8th and 10th centuries.

Traditionally, many Central Asian peoples have been nomadic, and this is still the case for many of them, such as the Baloch and a few Pashtun tribes in Afghanistan. Most Central Asian peoples are pastoralists, raising sheep and goats, and living much like Abraham would have lived 4,000 years ago. Central Asians have unique and colorful clothing, and styles which have not changed for centuries! Iranian peoples are famous for the turbans men often wear, and women for their beautiful scarves. They are famous for their handmade carpets known as *Oriental Rugs* in the West.

## What God Is Doing

For many years, the Central Asian Muslim peoples of the Soviet Union remained isolated from the gospel. But in the last ten years, God has opened up the door to reach them and many have responded to His call. God has also opened the door to reach the Kurds of Iraq and the Pashtun of Afghanistan. All praise, honor and glory to the Lamb!

## How To Pray:

- Ask the Lord for continued open doors in Central Asia to preach the gospel.
- Pray for peace and stability in Afghanistan and Kurdistan.
- Pray for the protection of religious freedom in every country, especially in the former Soviet republic of Turkmenistan.
- Ask God to pour out his Spirit upon Iran, the largest Central Asian country and the most Islamic. Pray for spiritual breakthrough in this great nation.

For more information: [www.prayeralliance.org/cenasianmuslims.asp](http://www.prayeralliance.org/cenasianmuslims.asp)



### January Prayer Calendar for Central Asian Muslims

Day	People Focus	Hub Country	Population	% Chr
1	Persian	Iran	30,000,000	0.07%
2	Pashtun	Afghanistan	25,000,000	0.00%
3	Uzbek	Uzbekistan	20,000,000	0.01%
4	Iranian Azeri	Iran	15,000,000	0.00%
5	Kazakh	Kazakhstan	13,000,000	0.04%
6	Tajiki	Tajikistan	11,000,000	0.00%
7	Hui	China	11,000,000	0.00%
8	Turkish Kurds	Turkey	10,000,000	0.00%
9	Uyghur	China	9,600,000	0.00%
10	Baloch	Pakistan	7,300,000	0.00%
11	Turkmen	Turkmenistan	7,000,000	0.00%
12	Azerbaijani	Azerbaijan	6,850,000	0.00%
13	Tatar	Russia	6,200,000	0.00%
14	Iranian Kurd	Iran	6,000,000	0.00%
15	Luri	Iran	5,000,000	0.00%
16	Iraqi Kurd	Iraq	5,000,000	0.00%
17	Hazaragi	Iran	4,000,000	0.00%
18	Gilaki	Iran	3,800,000	0.00%
19	Kyrgyz	Kyrgyzstan	3,600,000	0.06%
20	Mazanderani	Iran	3,000,000	0.00%
21	Bashkir	Russia	1,700,000	0.00%
22	Chechen	Russia	1,200,000	0.00%
23	Circassian	Russia	1,200,000	0.00%
24	Nawar	Iran	1,200,000	0.00%
25	Bakhtiari	Iran	1,150,000	0.00%
26	Aimaq	Afghanistan	1,000,000	0.01%
27	Qashqai	Iran	1,000,000	0.00%
28	Quchani	Iran	775,000	0.00%
29	Avar	Russia	600,000	0.00%
30	Karakalpak	Uzbekistan	540,000	0.00%
31	Lezgi	Russia	450,000	0.01%

● 300 Groups ● 13 Countries ● 220 Million People

## February Hindu Middle Caste Peoples



### Quick Facts

- About 700 People Groups
- 450 Million People
- 100% Hindu
- 4 Countries, including:
  - India*– 420 Million, 550 peoples
  - Nepal*– 15 Mill, 100 peoples
  - Bangladesh*– 14 Mill, 30 peoples
  - Pakistan*– 1 Million, 20 peoples

### Who They Are:

The Hindu Middle Caste Peoples are the largest bloc of unreached peoples in the world. The caste system in India was imposed thousands of years ago by foreign invaders from Central Asia. The caste system forms the essential basis of Hinduism, which was introduced by the conquerors (known today as the Forward Castes) to maintain separation between themselves and the peoples which they conquered. Beneath the Middle Castes are the Scheduled Castes, also known as the Untouchables.

There are 75 Middle Caste Peoples over one million in population and less than one percent evangelical. Many of these groups have only a handful of believers. The caste system in India rigidly prevents the gospel from spreading from one group to another. Most Christians in India come from Untouchable Castes and Tribal groups, and it is very difficult for them to reach those in the upper castes. The Middle Castes follow a popular form of Hinduism, with each group making devotion to a particular god or goddess, such as Ganesh or Kali. Celebrations and feasts devoted to a particular divinity are common and well-attended by young and old alike.

### What God Is Doing

Despite the difficulties, God is using many believers from lower castes to share the gospel with the Middle Caste Peoples. Although they are persecuted, imprisoned and even martyred, these brave missionaries are faithfully going where no other missionaries have been willing or able to go.

### How To Pray:

- Ask the Lord to open the hearts and minds of the Middle Caste Peoples.
- Pray for the protection and witness of indigenous missionaries in India.
- Pray for governments in South Asia that protect religious freedom.
- Pray for a disciple-making movement to be established in every unreached Middle Caste People.

For more information: [www.prayeralliance.org/mchindus.asp](http://www.prayeralliance.org/mchindus.asp)



## February Prayer Calendar for Hindu Middle Caste Peoples

Day	People Focus	Hub Country	Population	% Chr
1	Ahir	India	56,440,000	0.00%
2	Kurmi	India	25,750,000	0.00%
3	Kunbi	India	19,620,000	0.00%
4	Vanniyar	India	18,200,000	0.46%
5	Lingayat	India	17,900,000	0.00%
6	Nai	India	14,760,000	0.00%
7	Viswakarma	India	12,324,000	0.17%
8	Mahishya	India	11,500,000	0.01%
9	Koiri	India	10,700,000	0.00%
10	Vakkaliga	India	9,900,000	0.06%
11	Telaga	India	9,200,000	0.00%
12	Gujar	India	8,550,000	0.00%
13	Barhai	India	8,400,000	0.02%
14	Kamma	India	7,140,000	0.11%
15	Sonar	India	7,120,000	0.00%
16	Kapu	India	6,700,000	0.21%
17	Chotra Bansi	India	6,440,000	0.00%
18	Kalwar	India	6,000,000	0.00%
19	Kuruba	India	5,670,000	0.03%
20	Khandelwal	India	5,450,000	0.00%
21	Khandait	India	5,450,000	0.00%
22	Gola	India	4,900,000	0.04%
23	Bhuinhar	India	4,700,000	0.00%
24	Kachhi	India	3,900,000	0.00%
25	Mochi	Pakistan	3,400,000	0.42%
26	Lewa	India	2,750,000	0.00%
27	Kanet	India	1,730,000	0.00%
28	Kadwa Patidar	India	1,320,000	0.00%

● 700 Groups ● 4 Countries ● 450 Million People

## March Least Reached Peoples of East Asia



### Quick Facts

- About 250 People Groups
- 200 Million People
- 100% Ethnic Religion
- 8 Countries, including:
  - China*– 150 Million, 220 peoples
  - N. Korea*– 25 Mill, 1 people
  - Vietnam*– 7 Mill, 25 peoples
  - Indonesia*– 3 Million, 3 peoples

### Who They Are:

The Least Reached Peoples of East Asia are a complex bloc of peoples that follow their ethnic religions and have resisted the influences of Islam, Buddhism and Christianity. Most of these peoples are in China. Although the gospel is spreading rapidly in China, there are certain subgroups among the Chinese that are more resistant to the gospel. China is more like a continent than a country. In the past, there were over 2,000 mutually unintelligible Chinese languages! Some of these historic differences are still significant barriers to the spread of the gospel.

There are also many non-Chinese peoples in China and S.E. Asia that follow their traditional religion, honoring (and fearing) their ancestors and appeasing spirits to maintain harmony and good fortune. There are about 200 such related peoples in China and SE Asia. Also included with this bloc of Asian peoples are the three million Parsees of Iran, Afghanistan and India. These groups follow the ancient Persian religion of Zoroastrianism. There are no known believers among them.

### What God Is Doing

Though there are significant cultural differences between the Chinese believers and the minority peoples of China, many missionaries from the house-church movement are beginning to reach out to them. Among the North Korean refugees in China, a significant revival is beginning, resulting in thousands coming to Christ.

### How To Pray:

- Ask the Lord for many more Chinese house-church missionaries to be sent out to the unreached tribes in China and SE Asia.
- Pray for the governments of China, Vietnam, Laos, Myanmar and North Korea, which are opposed to Christianity.
- Pray for a missionary team to be sent to reach the Parsees of Iran.

For more information: [www.prayeralliance.org/eastasia.asp](http://www.prayeralliance.org/eastasia.asp)



### March Prayer Calendar for Least Reached Peoples of East Asia

Day	People Focus	Hub Country	Population	% Chr
1	Xiang Chinese	China	36,064,000	0.22%
2	Hakka	China	31,309,000	0.48%
3	North Korean	N. Korea	25,000,000	1.40%
4	Zhuang	China	15,800,000	0.29%
5	Manchu	China	12,666,000	0.00%
6	Tujia	China	7,353,000	0.41%
7	Yi Tribes	China	5,000,000	0.20%
8	Dan Chinese	China	4,296,000	0.35%
9	Bouyei	China	3,176,000	0.16%
10	Dong	China	3,000,000	0.05%
11	Bali Hindus	Indonesia	3,000,000	0.00%
12	Parsees	Iran	3,000,000	0.00%
13	Hmu	China	2,800,000	0.12%
14	Nosu	China	2,500,000	0.80%
15	Pinghu Chinese	China	2,338,000	0.34%
16	Miao	China	2,130,000	0.23%
17	Tay	Vietnam	1,500,000	0.00%
18	Li	China	1,500,000	0.07%
19	Hani	China	1,500,000	0.13%
20	Yao Tribes	Vietnam	1,500,000	0.33%
21	Iu Mien	China	1,230,000	0.12%
22	Ghao-Xong	China	1,200,000	0.42%
23	Muong	Vietnam	1,200,000	0.25%
24	Pingdi	China	1,100,000	0.04%
25	Mon Khmer Tribes	Vietnam	1,000,000	0.10%
26	Tai Tribes	Thailand	1,000,000	0.10%
27	Tibeto-Burman Tribes	Myanmar	1,000,000	0.10%
28	Nung	Vietnam	1,000,000	0.10%
29	She	China	820,000	0.12%
30	Nisu	China	780,000	0.18%
31	Gelao	China	670,000	0.11%

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## *April* Buddhist Peoples of Asia



### Quick Facts

- About 150 People Groups
- 500 Million People
- 100% Buddhist
- 15 Countries, including:
  - China*– 160 Million, 40 peoples
  - Japan*– 124 Mill, 5 peoples
  - Vietnam*– 65 Mill, 7 peoples
  - Thailand*– 57 Million, 50 peoples

### Who They Are:

Buddhist Peoples are spread out across much of Asia, from Northern India to Sri Lanka, to China, Korea, Japan, and much of South East Asia. Buddhism is the oldest known organized missionary religion. Wherever Buddhism transplanted itself through the preaching of itinerant monks, it blended in with the local traditions and customs. As a result, Buddhism today is as diverse as the peoples it represents. Even so, many of the core tenants of Buddhism are practiced in almost every culture.

Buddhism among the Chinese is strongest among the overseas Chinese Diaspora, found in almost every country in South East Asia. Taiwan, Singapore and Hong Kong have become strong centers of Chinese Buddhism. Singapore, especially, has become a center for aggressive Buddhist evangelism. The Dalai Lama, leader of Tibetan Buddhists, has become somewhat of a spokesperson for Buddhism in the West and an effective evangelist for Buddhist teaching.

### What God Is Doing

Significant turnings to Christ among South Korean Buddhists is a cause for great rejoicing! Among the Khmer in Cambodia, a movement to Christ is underway with many churches being planted. For the first time in history, a Tibetan church in the forbidden city of Lhasa is becoming a reality.

### How To Pray:

- Ask the Lord for breakthroughs among the totally unreached Isan of Thailand and Shan of Myanmar.
- Pray for spiritual breakthrough among the Japanese and the birth of a truly indigenous Japanese church.
- Pray for God's blessing on Korean missionaries reaching Buddhists.
- Pray that many Buddhist monks (including the Dalai Lama!) would come to know Jesus Christ as their Lord and Savior.

For more information: [www.prayeralliance.org/buddhists.asp](http://www.prayeralliance.org/buddhists.asp)

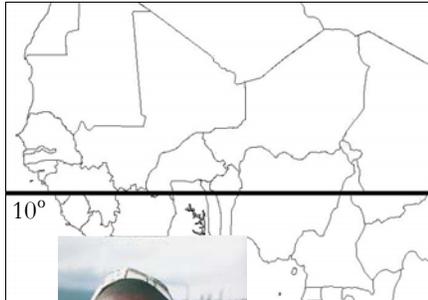


### April Prayer Calendar for Buddhist Peoples of Asia

Day	People Focus	Hub Country	Population	% Chr
1	Chinese Buddhist	China	150,000,000	0.67%
2	Japanese	Japan	124,000,000	0.40%
3	Vietnamese	Viet Nam	65,000,000	0.77%
4	Thai	Thailand	32,000,000	0.78%
5	Burmese	Myanmar	27,000,000	0.11%
6	Isan	Thailand	16,300,000	0.00%
7	Sinhala	Sri Lanka	14,500,000	0.07%
8	Khmer	Cambodia	10,400,000	0.48%
9	Indian Buddhists	India	8,000,000	0.00%
10	Chinese Mongol	China	5,800,000	0.09%
11	Tibetan	China	4,500,000	0.00%
12	Lao	Laos	3,300,000	0.61%
13	Shan	Myanmar	3,200,000	0.00%
14	Mongolian	Mongolia	2,200,000	0.45%
15	Bai	China	2,000,000	0.00%
16	Drukpa	Bhutan	1,500,000	0.00%
17	Khampa	China	1,500,000	0.03%
18	Mon	Myanmar	1,300,000	0.00%
19	Thai Khmer	Thailand	1,200,000	0.00%
20	Arakanese	Myanmar	1,200,000	0.08%
21	Vietnamese Khmer	Vietnam	1,100,000	0.18%
22	Dai	China	1,000,000	0.00%
23	Amdo	China	1,000,000	0.00%
24	Newari	Nepal	900,000	0.00%
25	Parauk	Myanmar	730,000	0.00%
26	Taungyo	Myanmar	620,000	0.00%
27	Palaung	Myanmar	600,000	0.00%
28	Kalmyk-Oirat	Mongolia	560,000	0.00%
29	Chakma	Bangladesh	500,000	0.20%
30	Buriat	Russia	500,000	0.00%

● 150 Groups ● 15 Countries ● 500 Million People

# May West African Muslim Peoples



## Quick Facts

- About 300 People Groups
- 120 Million People
- 100% Muslim
- 15 Countries, including:
  - Nigeria*– 46 Million, 30 peoples
  - Niger*– 10.5 Million, 25 peoples
  - Mali*– 9.8 Million, 20 peoples
  - Senegal*– 8.8 Million, 20 peoples

## Who They Are:

Many of the West African Muslim Peoples are part of three major clusters: The Fulani (20 million), the Mande (17 million), and the Hausa (30 million). Most of these groups became Muslims in the last five hundred years due to extensive evangelistic efforts by Arab missionaries. Many West African Muslims follow a more mystical branch of Islam known as Sufism. Sufis stress the importance of emotional experience in religious expression, and involve themselves in many rituals that are frowned upon by orthodox Muslims. Many view the Sufis as a syncretism between animism and Islam.

Much of West Africa has fallen into anarchy and civil chaos, resulting in mass migrations, famines and numerous wars. The Fulani and Tuareg are nomadic groups which have proved difficult to reach with the gospel. They are spread out over much of the Sahel and can be found in every country in West Africa.

## What God Is Doing

Despite the turmoil in this area of the world, missionaries have faithfully labored for many years. The harvest is beginning to come in, albeit still very small, among the major peoples of West Africa. In the midst of the chaos, God is using his people to be a source of peace and goodwill.

## How To Pray:

- Ask God for open doors to preach the gospel in Northern Nigeria where several states have begun to implement a strict Sharia law to forbid conversion.
- Pray for the protection of missionaries working in dangerous and politically unstable areas of West Africa, especially Sierra Leone and Guinea.
- Pray for special strategies to reach nomadic peoples like the Fulani.
- Pray that the African Church would be an effective witness to the Muslim peoples of West Africa, demonstrating the love of Christ.

For more information: [www.prayeralliance.org/wafrica.asp](http://www.prayeralliance.org/wafrica.asp)



### May Prayer Calendar for West African Muslim Peoples

Day	People Focus	Hub Country	Population	% Chr
1	Hausa	Nigeria	23,000,000	0.04%
2	Nigerian Fulani	Nigeria	12,000,000	0.02%
3	Yoruba Muslims	Nigeria	4,000,000	0.05%
4	Bambara	Mali	3,700,000	0.27%
5	Yerwa Kanuri	Nigeria	3,700,000	0.03%
6	Wolof	Senegal	3,700,000	0.00%
7	Malinke	Mali	3,500,000	0.09%
8	Futa Jalon	Guinea	3,000,000	0.00%
9	Pulaar	Senegal	3,000,000	0.03%
10	Songai	Mali	2,500,000	0.02%
11	Adamawa	Cameroon	2,300,000	0.00%
12	Tazarawa	Niger	2,250,000	0.00%
13	Sokoto Fulani	Niger	2,000,000	0.00%
14	Tuareg	Niger	1,677,000	0.00%
15	Dyerma	Niger	1,650,000	0.00%
16	Maninka	Guinea	1,500,000	0.07%
17	Jula	Cote d'Ivoire	1,500,000	0.00%
18	Soninke	Mali	1,250,000	0.00%
19	Susu	Guinea	1,100,000	0.00%
20	Nupe	Nigeria	1,100,000	0.18%
21	Bidan	Mauritania	1,100,000	0.00%
22	Manga Kanuri	Nigeria	1,000,000	0.00%
23	Maasina Fulbe	Mali	1,000,000	0.00%
24	Adarawa	Niger	1,000,000	0.00%
25	Tukulor	Senegal	1,000,000	0.00%
26	Arewa	Niger	950,000	0.00%
27	Fulacunda	Senegal	950,000	0.00%
28	Bauchi Fulani	Nigeria	800,000	0.00%
29	Dagomba	Ghana	766,000	0.52%
30	Haratine	Mauritania	700,000	0.00%
31	Tem	Togo	350,000	0.00%

● 300 Groups ● 15 Countries ● 120 Million People

## June Hindu Lower Caste Peoples



### Quick Facts

- About 300 People Groups
- 200 Million People
- 100% Hindu
- 4 Countries, including:
  - India*– 194 Million, 250 peoples
  - Nepal*– 2.5 Million, 25 peoples
  - Bangladesh*– 2.5 Mill, 15 peoples
  - Pakistan*– 1 Mill, 10 peoples



### Who They Are:

The Lower Caste Peoples of South Asia, also known as Dalits or Untouchables, are perhaps the most mistreated group of peoples in history. For thousands of years they have been virtual slaves to the High Caste landowners which they are perpetually indebted to, one generation after the next. Although the Indian constitution now forbids the caste system, it goes on just the same, much as it has for millennia. What's even worse, Hinduism teaches the Dalits to worship the very people which have enslaved them!

Even so, as a result of several decades of democracy, the Dalits in India now have more freedom than ever before in history, and they are gaining a political voice. They have proven, to the astonishment of the high castes, that they are capable in every capacity of business, administration, engineering, computer science and the arts.

### What God Is Doing

There have been movements among the Dalit peoples to abandon Hinduism, and leaders from among their communities have had discussions with evangelicals about converting to Christianity. There has never been a time when the Dalits have had so much freedom to pursue their own destiny. Whether it will be in Christ is up to the Church and how we respond.

### How To Pray:

- Ask God that every Dalit people will glorify his Son and exalt his name!
- Pray that many Indian missionaries would be sent to every unevangelized Dalit village, of which there are tens of thousands without a church.
- Pray for wisdom in coordinating mass-movements to Christ among every Dalit people desiring to live for Jesus.
- Pray against radical Hindu sects and secret societies which seek to keep the gospel from spreading among the Dalit peoples.

For more information: [www.prayeralliance.org/dalits.asp](http://www.prayeralliance.org/dalits.asp)

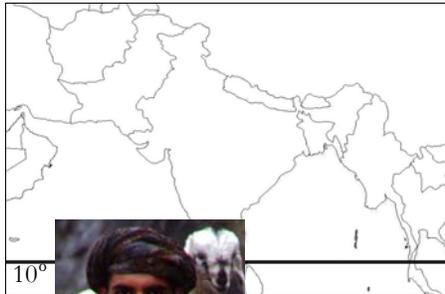


## June Prayer Calendar for Hindu Lower Caste Peoples

Day	People Focus	Hub Country	Population	% Chr
1	Chamar	India	47,300,000	1.09%
2	Pasi	India	7,290,000	0.13%
3	Dhobi	India	5,320,000	0.13%
4	Dusadh	India	5,190,000	0.81%
5	Namasudra	India	4,150,000	0.53%
6	Rajbanshi	India	4,130,000	0.04%
7	Bhambi	India	3,450,000	1.86%
8	Bagdi	India	3,350,000	0.20%
9	Pod	India	2,810,000	0.04%
10	Musahar	India	2,810,000	0.50%
11	Bauri	India	2,140,000	0.93%
12	Kaibarta	India	2,000,000	0.24%
13	Khatik	India	1,750,000	0.43%
14	Dhanak	India	1,520,000	1.78%
15	Ganda	India	1,140,000	1.66%
16	Bhovi	India	1,100,000	0.16%
17	Shilpkar	India	940,000	0.13%
18	Arunthathiyar	India	925,000	0.16%
19	Holiya	India	865,000	0.42%
20	Bairwa	India	785,000	0.32%
21	Hari	India	778,000	0.19%
22	Kondara	India	700,000	0.21%
23	Madari	India	665,000	0.50%
24	Thori	India	641,000	0.42%
25	Rajwar	India	590,000	0.28%
26	Kuravan	India	530,000	1.08%
27	Doom	India	528,000	0.54%
28	Basor	India	516,000	1.45%
29	Lohar	India	482,000	0.37%
30	Sunri	India	461,000	0.33%

● 300 Groups ● 4 Countries ● 200 Million People

## July South Asian Muslim Peoples



### Quick Facts

- About 350 People Groups
- 400 Million People
- 100% Muslim
- 4 Countries, including:
  - Pakistan*– 150 Mill, 100 peoples
  - India*– 140 Million, 225 peoples
  - Bangladesh*– 112 Mill, 20 peoples
  - Nepal*– 1.2 Mill, 5 peoples



### Who They Are:

The South Asian Muslim Peoples are the largest bloc of Muslims in the world. There are more Muslims in South Asia than in the entire Middle East and North Africa combined. The most accessible and reachable Muslim population in the world is in India, and yet it is perhaps the least reached and most neglected.

When South Asia was divided after the end of British rule, the Muslims demanded a separate state, resulting in the creation of Pakistan and later Bangladesh. The chaos that proceeded from this, with mass migrations of Muslims and Hindus in and out of these areas, resulted in tens of thousands of deaths. Even to this day, the tension is high between Muslim and Hindu communities. Pakistan and India, both nuclear powers now, have created the world's most dangerous region and are essentially at a state of war with each other over the disputed region of Jammu and Kashmir.

### What God Is Doing

The most significant breakthrough today among Muslims is happening in Bangladesh. Although persecution is beginning to increase, and many leaders have been martyred, the gospel continues to advance. Leaders from this Bengali movement have been sent to India and a similar movement among Urdu speaking peoples has been birthed.

### How To Pray:

- Ask God for the protection of emerging leaders and for the rapid multiplication of disciple-making fellowships.
- Pray for more organized effort and concern by India's Christians to reach the Muslims in their country.
- Pray against fundamentalist Muslims in Pakistan that want to create an Islamic state and enforce Sharia law, which makes conversion a capital offense.
- Pray for more missionaries to be sent from Bangladesh into India.

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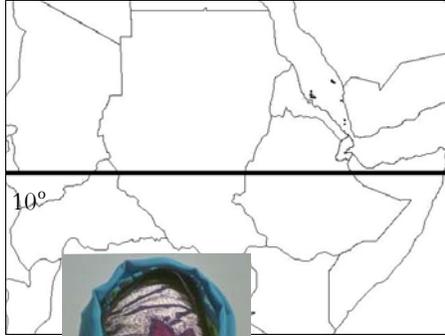


### July Prayer Calendar for South Asian Muslim Peoples

Day	People Focus	Hub Country	Population	% Chr
1	Bengali Muslims	Bangladesh	120,000,000	0.04%
2	Punjabi Muslims	Pakistan	75,000,000	0.00%
3	Urdu Shaikh	India	24,400,000	0.00%
4	Jat Muslims	Pakistan	22,000,000	0.00%
5	Sindhi Muslims	Pakistan	18,500,000	0.00%
6	Bihari Muslims	India	17,700,000	0.00%
7	Siraiki	Pakistan	15,000,000	0.00%
8	Ansari	India	13,000,000	0.00%
9	Urdu Pathan	India	12,400,000	0.00%
10	Deccani Muslims	India	11,000,000	0.00%
11	Mappila	India	8,900,000	0.00%
12	Rajput Muslims	India	8,000,000	0.00%
13	Tamil Muslims	India	6,000,000	0.00%
14	Sylhetti	Bangladesh	5,000,000	0.00%
15	Urdu Sayyid	India	4,560,000	0.00%
16	Arain	Pakistan	4,500,000	0.00%
17	Gujarati Muslims	India	4,500,000	0.00%
18	Kashmiri	India	4,050,000	0.00%
19	Marwadi Muslims	India	4,000,000	0.00%
20	Nai Muslims	India	4,000,000	0.00%
21	Bahna	India	3,000,000	0.00%
22	Telugu Muslims	India	3,000,000	0.00%
23	Hindko	Pakistan	2,800,000	0.00%
24	Garia	India	2,700,000	0.00%
25	Labbai	India	2,540,000	0.00%
26	Teli	India	2,000,000	0.00%
27	Brahui	Pakistan	1,720,000	0.00%
28	Moors of Sri Lanka	Sri Lanka	1,500,000	0.00%
29	Nepalese Muslims	Nepal	1,200,000	0.00%
30	Oriya Muslims	India	820,000	0.00%
31	Maldivian Muslims	Maldives	300,000	0.00%

● 350 Groups ● 4 Countries ● 400 Million People

## August East African Muslim Peoples



### Quick Facts

- About 400 People Groups
- 100 Million People
- 100% Muslim
- 14 Countries, including:
  - Sudan*– 20 Mill, 100 peoples
  - Ethiopia*– 20 Mill, 70 peoples
  - Tanzania*– 11 Mill, 30 peoples
  - Somalia*– 10 Mill, 20 peoples

### Who They Are:

The East African Muslim Peoples have experienced more hardship and natural disasters than any other Muslim bloc. Decades of civil war, famine and political turmoil have reduced East African Muslims to some of the poorest people on earth. Close to four million people have died in East Africa in the last decade due to these calamities.

In Sudan, the government has initiated a vigorous program to Islamicize the entire country. Christian children from the south are abducted and forced to enter Islamic schools where they are made to memorize the Quran and even trained to fight against their own people. Even minority Muslim peoples such as the Nuba have been persecuted in a program of mass ethnic-cleansing. Across the border, Somalia has yet to recover from its civil war, and warring clans still clash with one another. Famine in Ethiopia continues to be a problem among Muslim peoples in the North.

### What God Is Doing

Despite the difficulties of working in these areas, God has used these calamities to open the door to humanitarian assistance and gospel witness. Somali refugees in Kenya and Ethiopia are now being reached by several organizations. Persecution in Sudan has resulted in a Church that is no longer afraid to boldly proclaim the gospel.

### How To Pray:

- Ask God to open the door for further missionary outreach in difficult areas of Sudan, Somalia, Ethiopia and Eritrea.
- Pray that those being reached in Somali refugee camps would take the gospel back to their people in Somalia.
- Pray that Christians in Sudan would be able to forgive their Muslim persecutors and win many Muslim peoples to Christ.
- Pray for the protection of missionaries working in this dangerous region.

For more information: [www.prayeralliance.org/eastafrica.asp](http://www.prayeralliance.org/eastafrica.asp)



### August Prayer Calendar for East African Muslim Peoples

Day	People Focus	Hub Country	Population	% Chr
1	Somali	Somalia	12,000,000	0.00%
2	Badawi	Sudan	11,700,000	0.00%
3	Muslim Oromo	Ethiopia	4,200,000	0.00%
4	Baggara	Sudan	4,000,000	0.00%
5	Sudanese Arab	Sudan	3,700,000	0.00%
6	Ethiopian Somali	Ethiopia	2,800,000	0.00%
7	Makhuwa Muslims	Mozambique	2,500,000	0.00%
8	Kababish	Sudan	2,100,000	0.00%
9	Yao	Malawi	2,000,000	0.00%
10	Swahili Muslims	Congo	2,000,000	0.00%
11	Sidamo	Ethiopia	1,850,000	0.00%
12	Shuwa Arab	Chad	1,820,000	0.00%
13	Egyptian Nubian	Egypt	1,700,000	0.00%
14	Beja	Sudan	1,600,000	0.00%
15	Maay	Somalia	1,500,000	0.00%
16	Makonde	Tanzania	1,500,000	0.00%
17	Afar	Ethiopia	1,200,000	0.00%
18	Tigre	Eritrea	1,200,000	0.00%
19	Fur	Sudan	750,000	0.00%
20	Nubians	Sudan	700,000	0.00%
21	Hadiyya Muslims	Ethiopia	700,000	0.00%
22	Shirazi	Tanzania	670,000	0.00%
23	Zaramo	Tanzania	650,000	0.00%
24	Comorian	Comoro Is.	600,000	0.00%
25	Kenyan Somali	Kenya	520,000	0.00%
26	Mwera	Tanzania	470,000	0.00%
27	Zigula	Tanzania	460,000	0.00%
28	Kanembu	Chad	445,000	0.00%
29	Masalit	Sudan	440,000	0.00%
30	Fulani Hausa	Sudan	420,000	0.00%
31	Maba	Chad	360,000	0.00%

● 400 Groups ● 14 Countries ● 100 Million People

## *September* N. African and Mid. East Peoples



### **Quick Facts**

- About 250 People Groups
- 320 Million People
- 98% Muslim, 2% Jewish
- 19 Countries, including:
  - Egypt*– 65 Mill, 40 peoples
  - Turkey*– 60 Mill, 60 peoples
  - Algeria*– 32 Mill, 80 peoples
  - Morocco*– 30 Mill, 80 peoples

### **Who They Are:**

The peoples of North Africa and the Middle East have influenced the entire world for centuries. They are divided into four main clusters: Arabs, Turks, Berbers and Jews. Islam was birthed here in the 7th century, unifying the Arab tribes of the Arabian peninsula. Within a few decades, this Arab coalition had created the greatest empire the world has ever known. As a result, Arabic culture has been spread from Spain all the way to the Southern Philippines.

The emergence of Israel as a state has significantly shaped the entire direction of the Middle East and North Africa. The humiliating defeat of the Arab countries by Israel in 1967 gave rise to an Islamic fundamentalism which blamed the defeat on the lack of commitment to Islam. Although governments across this region have suppressed fundamentalist groups, they are growing in power and may one day change the course of history.

### **What God Is Doing**

All across the Arab world, Muslims have been receiving dreams and visions of Jesus. As a result, many hundreds of bold evangelists have been raised up to preach the gospel, and an underground church is emerging. The repression of totalitarian governments and the extremism of fundamentalists have caused many to question the validity of Islam.

### **How To Pray:**

- Ask God to send many more dreams and visions of his Son Jesus to tens of thousands in the Middle East and North Africa.
- Pray for the peace of Jerusalem and for the salvation of the Jewish people, who night and day are reminded of biblical prophecy.
- Pray for the protection of the emerging underground church in places like Saudi Arabia and Egypt.
- Pray for stability in Iraq and for the birth of a disciple-making movement.

For more information: [www.prayeralliance.org/nafrmid east.asp](http://www.prayeralliance.org/nafrmid east.asp)

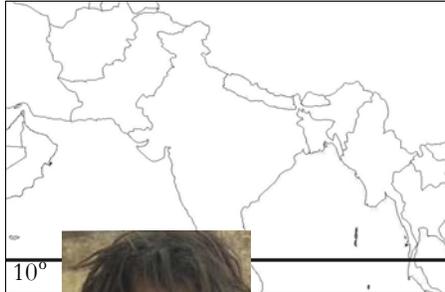


### September Prayer Calendar for N. African and Mid. East Peoples

Day	People Focus	Hub Country	Population	% Chr
1	Egyptian Arab	Egypt	62,000,000	0.00%
2	Turks	Turkey	57,000,000	0.00%
3	Algerian Arab	Algeria	27,000,000	0.00%
4	Yemeni Arab	Yemen	21,000,000	0.00%
5	Saudi Arab	Saudi Arabia	18,000,000	0.03%
6	Moroccan Arab	Morocco	16,000,000	0.00%
7	Syrian Muslims	Syria	14,000,000	0.00%
8	Iraqi Shiite Arab	Iraq	11,000,000	0.00%
9	Tunisian Arab	Tunisia	10,000,000	0.00%
10	Jordanian Muslims	Jordan	8,000,000	0.00%
11	Iraqi Sunni Arab	Iraq	5,000,000	0.00%
12	Israeli Jew	Israel	5,000,000	0.00%
13	Albanian Muslims	Albania	5,000,000	0.00%
14	Shilha	Morocco	4,500,000	0.02%
15	Palestinian Muslims	Palestine	4,000,000	0.00%
16	Kabyle	Algeria	3,500,000	0.00%
17	Libyan Arab	Libya	3,500,000	0.00%
18	Algerian Bedouin	Algeria	3,000,000	0.03%
19	Bosnian Muslims	Bosnia	2,500,000	0.00%
20	Omani Arab	Oman	2,000,000	0.00%
21	Egyptian Gypsies	Egypt	2,000,000	0.00%
22	Lebanese Muslims	Lebanon	2,000,000	0.00%
23	Riffi Berber	Morocco	1,800,000	0.06%
24	Jebala	Morocco	1,800,000	0.06%
25	Shawiya	Algeria	1,600,000	0.00%
26	Egyptian Bedouin	Egypt	1,300,000	0.00%
27	Turkish Arab	Turkey	1,200,000	0.00%
28	Kuwaiti Arab	Kuwait	1,000,000	0.00%
29	Emirati Arab	UAE	650,000	0.00%
30	Bahraini Arab	Bahrain	400,000	0.00%

● 250 Groups ● 19 Countries ● 320 Million People

## October Tribal Peoples of South Asia



### Quick Facts

- About 200 People Groups
- 100 Million People
- 99% Hindu-Animist, 1% Chr
- 4 Countries, including:
  - India*– 100 Mill, 180 peoples
  - Nepal*– 200,000, 4 peoples
  - Bangladesh*– 200,000, 10 peoples
  - Pakistan*– 50,000, 6 peoples



### Who They Are:

The Tribal Peoples of South Asia are the largest bloc of unreached tribes in the world. Living primarily in India, they were driven into the forests and mountains by the invading Aryans which came from the Northern Afghanistan region thousands of years ago. Regarded as less than human, they were never incorporated into the caste system in India.

One of the most famous tribes of India is the Banjara, also known as the Gypsies in the West. Like the Banjara, many tribal peoples of South Asia live a nomadic lifestyle and thus are very difficult to reach with the gospel. They are isolated from the mainstream of society and prefer to govern themselves by their own traditions and laws. About 540 groups have been classified by the Indian government as tribes. Some of these tribes have been influenced by Hinduism, some by Buddhism, and some by Christianity. But mostly they are influenced by their traditional beliefs.

### What God Is Doing

About half the tribes in India have been reached with the gospel, but much work remains among more difficult and inaccessible groups. Over thirty percent of Christians in India come from tribal backgrounds, and they have sent out many hundreds of missionaries. The tribal states of Nagaland, Mizoram and Meghalaya are now a majority Christian.

### How To Pray:

- Ask God to raise up Indian missionaries to reach every tribe in South Asia.
- Pray for the right strategies to reach nomadic groups and river communities which live in swamps and malaria-infested areas.
- Pray for the protection of South Asia's tribes from aggressive Hindu and Buddhist missionary efforts.
- Pray for the development of mature and godly, tribal Christian leaders.

For more information: [www.prayeralliance.org/satribal.asp](http://www.prayeralliance.org/satribal.asp)



## October Prayer Calendar for Tribal Peoples of South Asia

Day	People Focus	Hub Country	Population	% Chr
1	Gond	India	10,600,000	2.12%
2	Bhil	India	10,150,000	1.78%
3	Kori	India	3,500,000	0.64%
4	Banjara	India	3,100,000	1.23%
5	Bhil Mina	India	2,910,000	0.34%
6	Naikda	India	2,180,000	0.06%
7	Bhuiya	India	1,595,000	0.19%
8	Koli Mahadev	India	1,090,000	1.73%
9	Tipera	India	990,000	0.49%
10	Rabari	India	920,000	0.22%
11	Kawar	India	800,000	0.21%
12	Ho	India	800,000	2.72%
13	Varli	India	778,000	0.39%
14	Bhilala	India	760,000	0.27%
15	Bhumij	India	730,000	0.59%
16	Dubla	India	680,000	0.26%
17	Halba	India	658,000	0.68%
18	Dhodia	India	653,000	0.23%
19	Koya	India	653,000	0.90%
20	Kol	India	453,000	0.26%
21	Miri	India	448,000	1.47%
22	Thakur	India	444,000	0.07%
23	Yenadi	India	440,000	0.37%
24	Kolha	India	433,000	1.16%
25	Saharia	India	416,000	0.00%
26	Yerukula	India	413,000	1.51%
27	Paroja	India	393,000	0.76%
28	Baiga	India	369,000	1.02%
29	Dhanka	India	350,000	0.91%
30	Charan	India	340,000	0.00%
31	Bhottada	India	340,000	0.33%

● 200 Groups ● 4 Countries ● 100 Million People

## *November* S.E. Asian Muslim Peoples



### **Quick Facts**

- About 300 People Groups
- 200 Million People
- 100% Muslim
- 7 Countries, including:
  - Indonesia*– 172 Mill, 220 peoples
  - Malaysia*– 13 Mill, 20 peoples
  - Philippines*– 4 Million, 15 peoples
  - Thailand*– 3.3 Million, 4 peoples

### **Who They Are:**

The S.E. Asian Muslim Peoples are almost entirely from the Malay family of languages and ethnicity. Concentrated in Indonesia, the largest Muslim country in the world, they were at one time the fastest growing area of Muslim evangelism and expansion. Decades ago the government mandated that every citizen choose one of five religions. The result has been an aggressive Islamization, including the building of thousands of mosques and Muslim schools, mostly financed by Middle East oil profits.

In the Philippines, Muslims have been given autonomy in certain areas after decades of terrorism and civil conflict. Unfortunately, this has not brought any improvement to their lives. Disgruntled militants have strengthened ties to radical Muslim groups operating in Indonesia and Malaysia, bringing further disintegration. After a series of inter-religious conflicts in Malaysia, the government there has made it illegal to convert Muslims to any religion and has banned the use of Malay in churches.

### **What God Is Doing**

An underground church is emerging in Malaysia after decades of repression by secret police and intolerant judges. Research on all the Muslim peoples in Indonesia has for the first time brought to light the tremendous need in this country. A network of churches and mission agencies is being formed to facilitate disciple-making movements in each group.

### **How To Pray:**

- Ask God to empower his Church in SE Asia to reach every unreached Muslim tribe and to boldly proclaim the gospel.
- Pray for the leadership of the underground church in Malaysia.
- Pray for peace and order in the Southern Philippines and for the protection of missionaries working in these hostile areas.
- Pray for reconciliation between Muslims and Christians in Indonesia.

For more information: [www.prayeralliance.org/seasia.asp](http://www.prayeralliance.org/seasia.asp)



### November Prayer Calendar for S.E. Asian Muslim Peoples

Day	People Focus	Hub Country	Population	% Chr
1	Sunda	Indonesia	32,000,000	0.07%
2	Malay	Malaysia	20,000,000	0.00%
3	Jawa Pesisir	Indonesia	18,600,000	0.02%
4	Madura	Indonesia	13,500,000	0.00%
5	Indonesian	Indonesia	10,000,000	0.01%
6	Minangkabau	Indonesia	8,100,000	0.00%
7	Pendalungan	Indonesia	6,500,000	0.00%
8	Bugis	Indonesia	3,800,000	0.08%
9	Aceh	Indonesia	3,500,000	0.00%
10	Banjar	Indonesia	3,000,000	0.00%
11	Thai Malay	Thailand	2,500,000	0.00%
12	Sasak	Indonesia	2,345,000	0.02%
13	Makassar	Indonesia	2,240,000	0.02%
14	Melayu Riau	Indonesia	2,000,000	0.00%
15	Lampung	Indonesia	1,500,000	0.00%
16	Rohingya	Myanmar	1,400,000	0.00%
17	Tausug	Philippines	1,000,000	0.00%
18	Maranao	Philippines	1,000,000	0.01%
19	Magindanaon	Philippines	1,000,000	0.01%
20	Gorontalo	Indonesia	900,000	0.03%
21	Jambi	Indonesia	800,000	0.00%
22	Komering	Indonesia	800,000	0.00%
23	Sama	Philippines	700,000	0.01%
24	Pasemah	Indonesia	650,000	0.00%
25	Palembang	Indonesia	625,000	0.00%
26	Mandailing	Indonesia	400,000	0.08%
27	Cham	Cambodia	350,000	0.00%
28	Brunei Malay	Brunei	300,000	0.00%
29	Ogan	Indonesia	300,000	0.00%
30	Muna	Indonesia	230,000	0.00%

● 300 Groups ● 7 Countries ● 200 Million People

## December Upper Caste Peoples of South Asia



### Quick Facts

- About 400 People Groups
- 200 Million People
- 85% Hindu, 10% Sikh
- 4 Countries, including:
  - India*– 190 Mill, 360 peoples
  - Nepal*– 8 Mill, 20 peoples
  - Bangladesh*– 2 Mill, 15 peoples
  - Pakistan*– 200,000, 5 peoples



### Who They Are:

The Upper Caste Peoples of South Asia are the least reached bloc in the 10/40 Window. The reasons are cultural and historical. When Aryan invaders conquered South Asia, they imposed a caste system to maintain separation between themselves and those they conquered. The descendants of these Aryan invaders are the Upper Castes. They divided themselves into three groups: the Brahmins (priestly caste), the Kshatriyas (military caste), and the Vaisyas (merchant caste).

Hinduism developed around this caste system into a religion that taught and practiced racial superiority. While Christianity began to spread among the Untouchables and tribal peoples, this only further alienated the Upper Castes from the gospel. Today, the Upper Castes in India constitute one of the world's largest middle class populations (larger even than Germany or England). They are struggling to hold on to power as India's political system becomes increasingly democratic and secular.

### What God Is Doing

The once privileged position of the Upper Castes in India is being challenged by the increasingly vocal majority of the suppressed peoples. This uncertainty has led many Upper Caste people to leave India for the West, where some have heard the gospel and responded. A few of these have returned to be a witness to their relatives, and a church may soon be born.

### How To Pray:

- Ask God to raise up more missionaries to work among the Upper Castes.
- Pray for the birth of a truly indigenous disciple-making movement, sensitive to the cultural situation of India.
- Pray for the protection of Upper Caste believers, who literally risk their lives to identify themselves as Christians.
- Pray for reconciliation between believers from every caste in India.

For more information: [www.prayeralliance.org/uppercaste.asp](http://www.prayeralliance.org/uppercaste.asp)



## December Prayer Calendar for Upper Caste Peoples of South Asia

Day	People Focus	Hub Country	Population	% Chr
1	Mahratta	India	28,540,000	0.00%
2	Sikhs	India	24,000,000	0.00%
3	Bhojpuri Rajput	India	16,700,000	0.00%
4	Kayastha	India	12,000,000	0.00%
5	Hindi Brahmin	India	10,700,000	0.00%
6	Marwadi Bania	India	8,800,000	0.00%
7	Bhojpuri Brahmin	India	7,100,000	0.00%
8	Punjabi Jat	India	7,000,000	0.00%
9	Bengali Brahmin	India	6,600,000	0.00%
10	Nayar	India	6,300,000	0.11%
11	Hindi Rajput	India	6,300,000	0.00%
12	Hindi Bania	India	5,500,000	0.00%
13	Marwadi Brahmin	India	4,600,000	0.00%
14	Bhumihar Brahmin	India	4,100,000	0.00%
15	Marathi Brahmin	India	4,100,000	0.00%
16	Arora	India	3,800,000	0.00%
17	Telugu Bania	India	3,600,000	0.00%
18	Telugu Brahmin	India	3,500,000	0.00%
19	Chhetri	Nepal	3,500,000	0.00%
20	Jains	India	3,500,000	0.00%
21	Gujarati Bania	India	3,400,000	0.00%
22	Marwadi Rajput	India	3,300,000	0.00%
23	Haryanvi Jat	India	3,300,000	0.00%
24	Awadhi Brahmin	India	3,000,000	0.00%
25	Sindhi Hindus	India	3,000,000	0.00%
26	Gujarati Brahmin	India	2,700,000	0.00%
27	Nepali Brahmin	Nepal	2,500,000	0.00%
28	Kannada Brahmin	India	2,300,000	0.00%
29	Tamil Brahmin	India	2,200,000	0.00%
30	Gujarati Rajput	India	2,100,000	0.00%
31	Oriya Brahmin	India	2,100,000	0.00%

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## Frontier Mission Fund

The purpose of the Frontier Mission Fund is to accelerate what is being done to reach all remaining unreached peoples with the gospel. The goal is to ensure that every unreached group has a disciple making movement in the next ten to fifteen years. Most of the funds will be focused on the least reached mega-peoples of the 10/40 Window. The remaining funds will be used to reach the smaller unreached tribal and minority people groups in every country. Centers of research, training, publishing, community development and inter-agency partnership are being established for every unreached group, or cluster of related groups, throughout the world. About 500 centers are being established in strategic locations. Indigenous leaders are being trained and equipped to operate these centers and continue the development of evangelistic and discipleship resources and the multiplication of disciple-making fellowships among their group.

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