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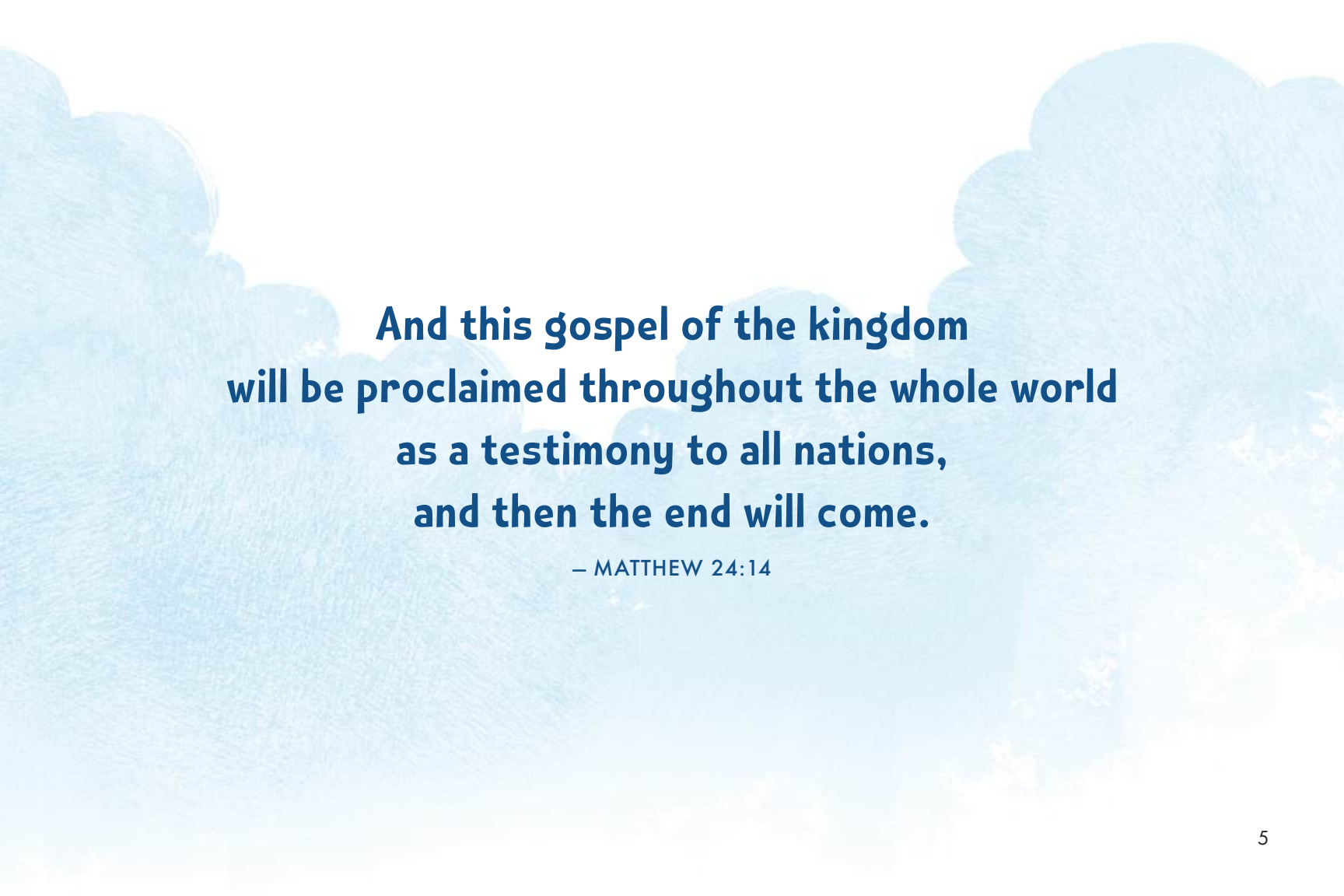
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**And this gospel of the kingdom  
will be proclaimed throughout the whole world  
as a testimony to all nations,  
and then the end will come.**

– MATTHEW 24:14

## What can a group of young artists in Los Angeles do to help send missionaries to where they are most needed?

What if we combine our love to draw with our faith in Jesus?

We did not know we could use our passion and work to share about missions! During the pandemic, being part of digital missions became our answered prayer. We could use our digital art to draw for God's kingdom.

Digital missions is sharing the gospel through digital tools, resources, and strategies. This is the time to use technology to reach those who do not know Jesus. Through this prayer guide, we want families to pray for unreached people.

We hope that you will dare to dream bolder by using your skills for global missions. He will take us further than we can imagine when we say "Yes" to Him.

We invite you to be part of our journey with this prayer guide!

— ANDREW FENG AND NICK WU, INDIGITOUS U.S.

# Who Are Frontier People Groups?

Frontier People Groups are people grouped by language and culture. They are “Frontier” because **fewer than 0.1% are Christian**. That means fewer than one person in 1,000 identifies with Jesus in any way!

There are about **5,000 Frontier People Groups**. This prayer guide shows **36 of the largest groups**. Your prayers will cover a total over **800 million people!** Many are Muslims or Hindus. Statistically, they won’t ever meet a Christian in their lifetime.

With so few Christians, **Frontier People Groups need missionaries**. Pray for Christians to go and help them become followers of Jesus!



# For Parents

We invite you and your family to pray for each Frontier People Group together.

Begin by telling the story from the perspective of the character. Follow along with the audio podcast: [ndgt.us/fpg-podcast](https://ndgt.us/fpg-podcast).

Learn fun facts about each people group and their country.

Then, pray together with the Bible verse and three prayer items.

Finally, scan the QR code to watch a prayer video from [prayercast.com](https://prayercast.com).

Your prayers make the biggest difference!



## More Activities

- 1** Travel the Globe - Use a world map or globe, and travel to the countries of different frontier people groups. Point out key locations and talk about what makes each place special.
- 2** Language Learning Challenge - Learn a few words or a simple greeting in the language of a frontier people group. Kids can practice saying "hello," "thank you," or "goodbye" in those languages.
- 3** Prayer Poster - Make a poster of each frontier people group you pray for, adding facts, drawings, or photos.



# PROGRESS SCALE

Take note of this Progress Scale in the following pages. The scale counts the percentage of evangelicals and professing Christians in people groups.



## **UNREACHED**

Few evangelicals and few who identify as Christians. Little, if any, history of Christianity. Frontier Peoples are a subset of unreached.

## **MINIMALLY REACHED**

Few evangelicals, but a significant number who identify as Christians.

## **SUPERFICIALLY REACHED**

Few evangelicals, but many who identify as Christians. In great need of spiritual renewal and commitment to biblical faith.

## **PARTIALLY REACHED**

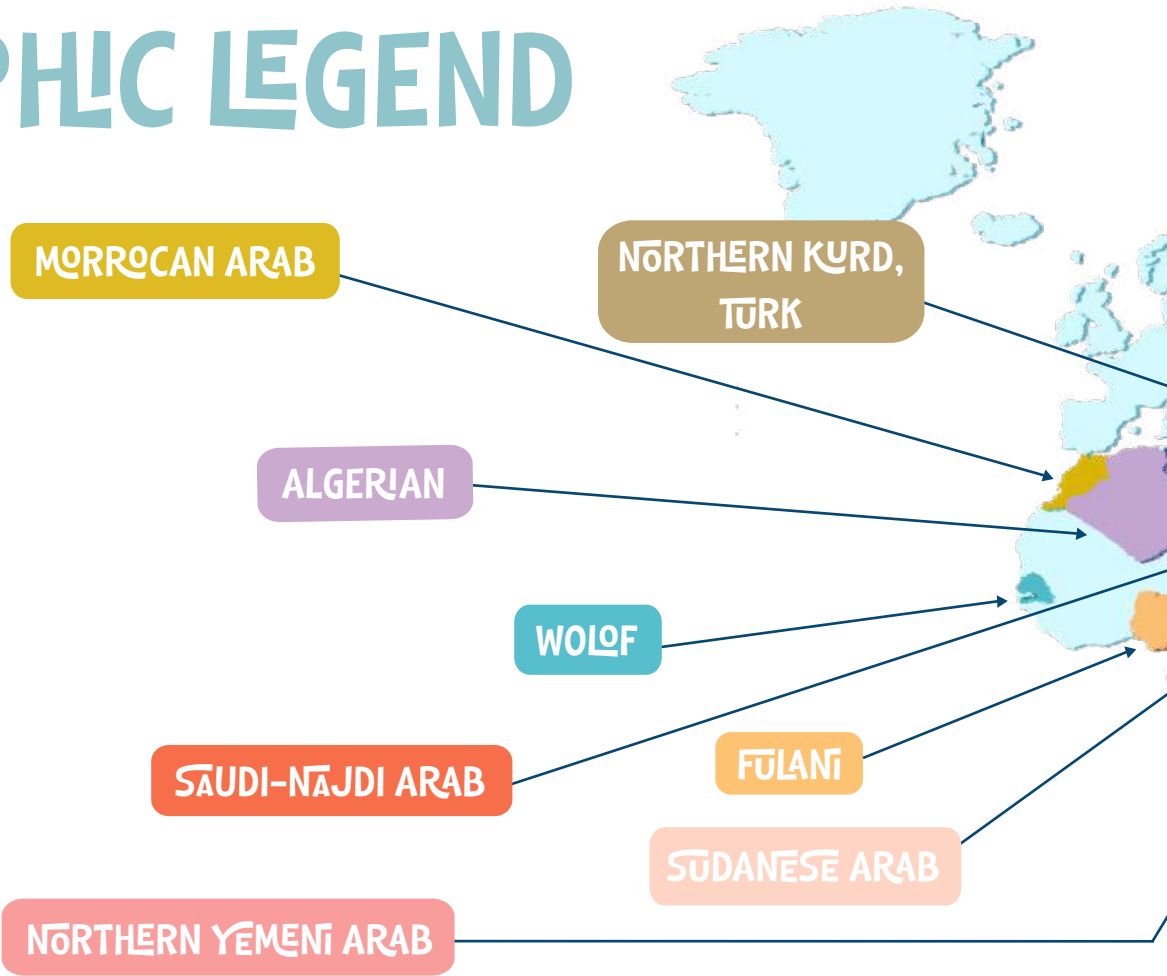
Evangelicals have a modest presence.

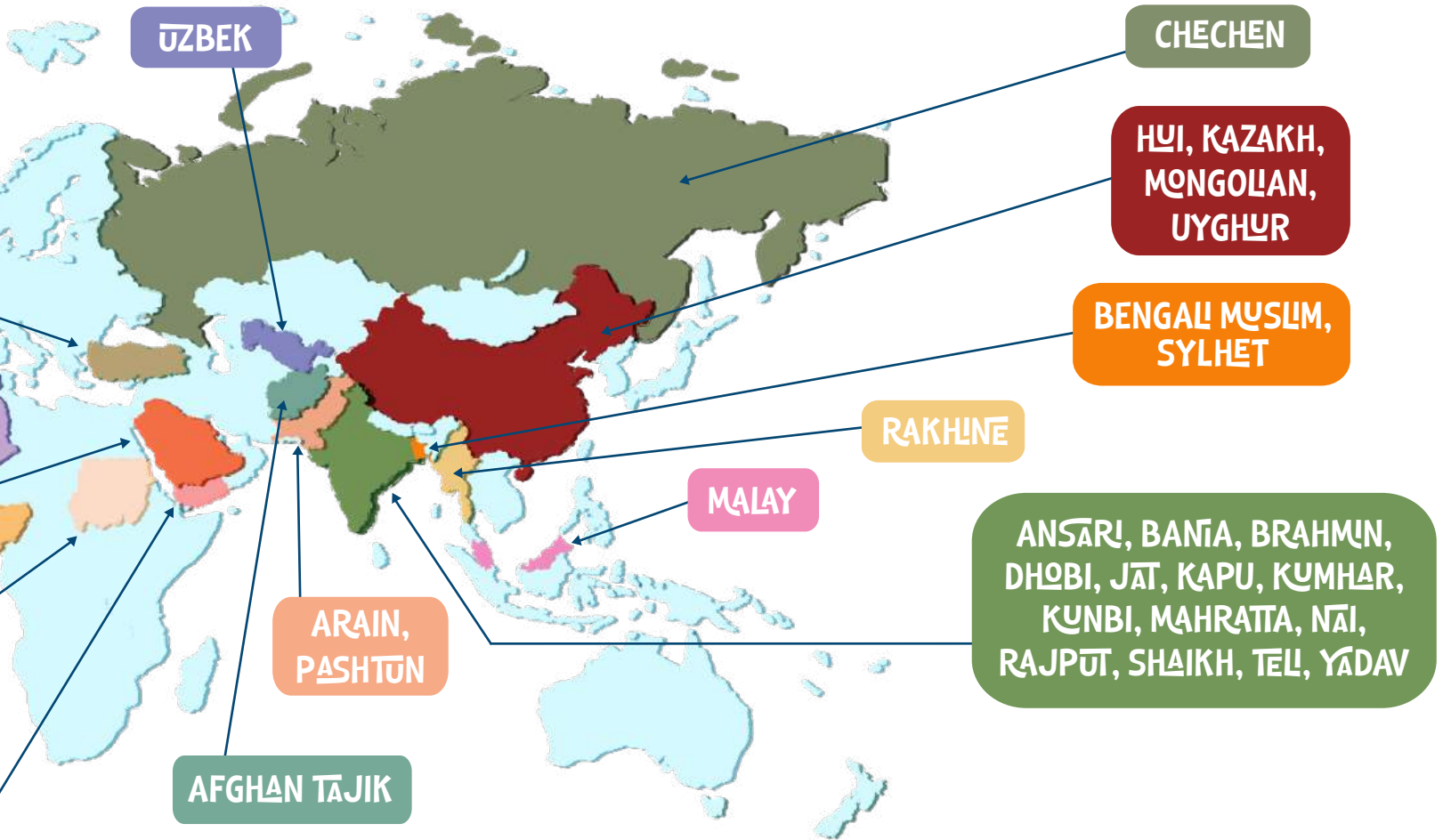
## **SIGNIFICANTLY REACHED**

Evangelicals have a significant presence.

*Progress scale and prayer items are referenced from [joshuaproject.net](http://joshuaproject.net)*

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# AFGHAN TAJIK

سلام عليكم  
Salaam Alaikum



I belong to the Afghan Tajik people in Afghanistan.

I made two delicious dishes, flatbread and a rice dish called osh. Osh has lamb, different spices, and vegetables like pepper and garlic. In my tradition, showing hospitality and having guests come over to my house is a great honor. I hope that my friends who are coming over will enjoy them!



I live here in Afghanistan and I believe in Islam.

I speak Dari Persian!



I am 1 person amongst 11,983,000 others! I enjoy eating Manti, steamed meat dumplings.



What does Jesus say about me?

### MATTHEW 25:35

For I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me drink, I was a stranger and you welcomed me.

### WILL YOU PRAY FOR ME?

- Ask God to restore political peace and stability to Afghanistan.
- Ask God to call Christian workers trained in the Dari language to take the gospel to the Tajiks and plant strong local churches.
- Pray that relief funds will be available for those living in famine-stricken areas.



Afghanistan



0.01% Christian

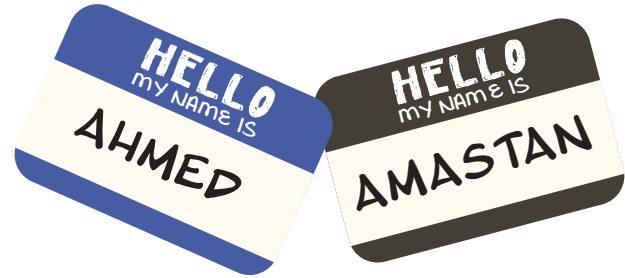


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# ALGERIAN

أهلاً

'Ahlan



I'm Amastan. I'm nine years old and Algerian.

My father and I are traveling to the well with our

donkey to bring water to our family. My friends and

I will play a game called Melghas. First, we hide.

Then, another tries to find and tag them before they

reach the well for a drink. The last time we played,

I got caught before touching the well. This time, I'll

reach the well first!



We live here in Algeria and we believe in Islam.



We speak Arabic & Algerian!

We are among 33,607,000 others! I enjoy eating Chakchouka, poached eggs on flat bread.



### ROMANS 1:5

Through whom we have received grace and apostleship to bring about the obedience of faith for the sake of his name among all the nations.

What does Jesus say about us?

### WILL YOU PRAY FOR ME?

- Pray for the small number of Algerian Christians.
- Ask God to give missions agencies improved strategies for reaching these tribes with the Gospel.
- Ask the Holy Spirit to soften the hearts of these Muslim tribes towards Christians.



Algeria



0.01% Christian



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# BENGALI MUSLIM



আসসালামু আলাইকুম  
*Āsasālāmu Ālā'ikuma*



I am a Bengali Muslim school teacher. We have diverse jobs. Many of my cousins are farmers in the country. A few of my friends are artisans and vendors. Today, many Bengali Muslim follow the pace of the modern world, and we are quite good businessmen as well. Although we are widespread and occupy many jobs, we are all united and blessed by Allah!



I live here in Bangladesh and I believe in Islam.

I speak Bengali!



I am 1 person amongst 134,989,000 others! I enjoy eating Pitha, a deep fried sweet with filling.



What does Jesus say about me?

### 1 KING 8:60

That all the peoples of the earth may know that the Lord is God; there is no other.

### WILL YOU PRAY FOR ME?

- Pray for sustainable economic development and provision for those in need.
- Pray for improved access to quality education and healthcare services.
- Pray for peace and stability in Bangladesh, especially in regions prone to natural disasters and communal tensions.



Bangladesh



0.00% Christian



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# SYLHET



আসসালামু জালাইকুম  
Assalamu Alaikum

HELLO  
my NAME IS

ABIR

HELLO  
my NAME IS

DHIYA



My name is Abir. This is my little brother Dhiya. We are Sylhet. One of my favorite activities is fishing! The Surma River is a major source of commerce for our village. My community will often come to fish together. My basket can carry a lot of fish, so I am praying it becomes full today. Dhiya has started to learn to fish, but he still has a long way to go!



We live here in Bangladesh and we believe in Islam.

We speak Sylheti!



We are among 11,634,000 others! I enjoy eating Beef Shatkora. Shatkora is a local citrus fruit.



### PSALM 96:2-3

Sing to the Lord, bless his name; tell of his salvation from day to day. Declare his glory among the nations, his marvelous works among all the peoples.

What does Jesus say about us?

### WILL YOU PRAY FOR ME?

- Pray that there will soon be a community of believers that will multiply into a movement to Christ.
- Pray for a Christ-ward movement to thrive among the Sylhet Muslim people in Bangladesh.
- Pray for this people group to recognize their own spiritual bankruptcy and come to Christ for the riches of his forgiveness.



Bangladesh



0.00% Christian



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你好  
Ni Hao



My name is Ma, and this is my beloved grandson Bai. He is growing up so fast! We are Hui people in China. As Sunni Muslims, we show our devotion to Allah. Now that Bai is 10, our family has decided to take him along on our annual pilgrimage to Mecca. Bai is very excited! We're looking forward to the memories we'll make together on this journey!



We live here in China and we believe in Islam.

We speak Mandarin!



We are among 13,733,000 others!  
We enjoy eating Lamb Skewers.

### PSALM 145:18

The Lord is near to all who call on him, to all who call on him in truth.

What does Jesus say about us?

### WILL YOU PRAY FOR ME?

- Pray for the Lord to give the Hui in China such spiritual hunger that they will seek, find and proclaim Christ no matter what the cost.
- Pray for Chinese believers to lovingly take Christ to the Hui.
- Pray for Hui disciples to make more disciples.



China



0.01% Christian



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# KAZAKH

Сәлеметсіз бе  
Salemetsiz Be



My name is Inzhu, and I belong to the Kazakh people in China. We are horsemen and nomads, meaning that we travel from place to place in search of pasture for our livestock. For generations, my family and I have cared for horses in the grasslands. This horse's name is Inju. She is very special to me. Since birth, she never leaves my side. Inu and I love to go riding together.



I live here in China and I believe in Islam.

I speak Kazakh!



I am 1 person amongst 1,887,000 others! I enjoy eating Laghman, hand cut noodles with lamb and vegetables.

What does Jesus say about me?

### EPHESIANS 3:20

Now to him who is able to do far more abundantly than all that we ask or think, according to the power at work within us.

### WILL YOU PRAY FOR ME?

- Pray for the spiritual bondage to be removed so they can understand and respond to Christ.
- Pray for the Lord to provide for their physical and spiritual needs as a testimony of his power and love.
- Pray that the Kazakh people will have a spiritual hunger that will open their hearts to the King of kings.



China



0.01% Christian



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# MONGOLIAN

Сайн байна уу  
*San Ban Oh*



I am nine-years-old and Mongolian. We are celebrating the Nadaam Festival this summer. It has three main events: wrestling, horse racing, and archery. These are also called the "three games of men." This year, my friends and I are competing in archery as a team. Even though I am a boy, I will do my best to hit as many targets as I can!



I live here in China and I believe in Islam.

I speak Mongolian!



I am 1 person amongst 5,581,000 others! I enjoy eating Buuz, steamed meat dumplings.



What does Jesus say about me?

### DEUTERONOMY 31:6

Be strong and courageous. Do not fear or be in dread of them, for it is the Lord your God who goes with you. He will not leave you or forsake you.

### WILL YOU PRAY FOR ME?

- Pray for the unconfirmed number of Christian Mongolians to share the gospel.
- Pray that Mongolians can experience spiritual warmth from God's love and grace.
- Many Mongolians worship forces of nature (such as the moon, stars, sun, and rivers). Pray that God reveal Himself to Mongolians as the one true God.



China



0.04% Christian



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# UYGHUR



نەگتەئى كىلر يەخ  
Yakhshimusiz



I am Uyghur and I live in Xinjiang, in the western part of China. My family harvests cotton, grapes, melons, and other fruit. We live near an irrigation system that makes our crops flourish. Our agriculture industry is very successful. I just finished collecting grapes from a vineyard. I am bringing this back home to my parents and help them sell it or turn it into wine!



I live here in China and I believe in Islam.

I speak Uyghur!



I am 1 person amongst 11,764,000 others! I enjoy eating Pilaf, which has lamb, carrots, and rice.

What does Jesus say about me?

### PSALM 105:1

Oh give thanks to the Lord; call upon his name; make known his deeds among the peoples!

### WILL YOU PRAY FOR ME?

- Pray for Han Chinese believers to lead the way and show the compassion of Christ to the Uyghurs.
- Pray that the millions of Uyghurs who have been detained and placed in internment camps would be treated as ones made in God's image.
- Pray for Uyghurs to find Jesus in their pain and that God would use this very suffering to lead them to the kingdom.



China



0.01% Christian



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# ANSARI



وليه  
Halloo



I'm Nasirah, an Ansari woman living in Uttar Pradesh, India. I'm a seamstress in a large textile industry within my community. It's the same job that my mother did before me. Every day, I work on my hand-loom to make silk dresses. Today, I'm going to the village with my family to help the less fortunate farmers. I have a tight-knit family and we love to help out in our community whenever we can!



I live here in India and I believe in Sunni Islam.

I speak Urdu!



I am 1 person amongst 12,058,000 others! I enjoy eating Dal, a lentil stew.



What does Jesus say about me?

### 1 JOHN 1:7

But if we walk in the light, as he is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus his Son cleanses us from all sin.

### WILL YOU PRAY FOR ME?

- Pray that God would send Indian followers of Jesus to their Ansari neighbors to share with them the good news.
- Pray for a disciple-making movement among them this decade.
- Pray for good schools so that Ansari children can get an education that helps to lift them out of poverty.



India



0.00% Christian



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# BANIYA



नमस्ते  
Namaste



I am a Baniyan spice merchant in India. All of my  
spices are homemade. Do you want herbs to make  
your tea sweet or spice to make your soup spicy?  
We have it all! I sell my spices to local villagers,  
neighbors, and merchants. The ingredients that are  
local there are different from the ones we find at  
home. You never know what kind of spices you'll find!



I live here in India and I believe in Sunni Islam.



I speak Hindi!



I am 1 person amongst 19,328,000 others! I enjoy eating Bedmi, a flatbread.



### ROMANS 9:25

Those who were not my people I will call 'my people,' and her who was not beloved I will call 'beloved.'

What does Jesus say about me?

### WILL YOU PRAY FOR ME?

- Pray for the salvation of these people and that God may send several Christian workers among them and meet their spiritual and physical needs.
- Pray for developmental and literacy programs.
- Pray for a spiritual hunger in the Baniyan and Vanian community that will lead them to Christ.



India



0.00% Christian



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# BRAHMIN

शुभ प्रभात  
Shubh Prabhaat



Hi, I am Ayansh, and this is my little brother Sai. Our family are Brahmin. Our ancestors are a caste of priests. We are excited to go to the temple to learn about our tradition. Our grandparents asked if we would like to take part in Upanayana, an initiation ceremony to train and become a Brahmin priest. However, we are not sure if we want to be priests when we grow up.



We live here in India and we believe in Hinduism.

I speak Hindi!



We live among 39,339,000 others! We enjoy eating tomato sweet pachadi, a chutney condiment.



### MATTHEW 25:40

And the King will answer them, "Truly, I say to you, as you did it to one of the least of these my brothers, you did it to me."

What does Jesus say about me?

### WILL YOU PRAY FOR ME?

- Brahmins are seen as knowledgeable and enlightened; pray for the light of the gospel to bring the knowledge of Christ to them in India.
- Pray for wisdom for disciples of Jesus who befriend and share their faith with Brahmins.
- Pray that the true God will reveal Himself to this community and use Brahmins to preach and teach about Jesus Christ.



India



0.00% Christian



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# DHOBBI



नमस्ते  
Namaste



I am Bhavna, from the Dhobi people of India. When I was a child, I would run around the washing pools and play in the water. My mother would teach me to dry and iron the clothes that my father had washed. Now that I'm older, I help my parents wash and dry. Lately, there have been fewer customers due to the popularity of washing machines. I hope that I can support my parents for as long as I can.



I live here in India and I believe in Hinduism.

I speak Hindi!



I am 1 person amongst 13,770,000 others! I enjoy eating Jalebi, a sweet snack.



What does Jesus say about me?

### PSALM 67:3

Let the peoples praise you, O God; let all the peoples praise you!

### WILL YOU PRAY FOR ME?

- Since many of their professions are going out of business, pray for the Dhobi people to gain access to better education and new skills in the modern world.
- Pray that the Dhobi people will hear the gospel and that only Jesus Christ can wash away their sins.
- Pray that the Holy Spirit will give the Dhobi people spiritual hunger that they will not be satisfied until they taste and see that the Lord is good.



India



0.02% Christian



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# JAT

ਸਤਾ ਸ੍ਰੀ ਅਕਾਲ!

*Sata Srī Akāla*

HELLO  
my NAME IS

JUMARI



I'm Jumari, a Jat woman from Punjab. I'm working on this phulkari, or embroidery. My favorite part is these little flowers. I learned to embroider from my mother, and I'm making 100 pieces for my sister's wedding this year! I had my own wedding last year, which is why I wear this nathli, or nose ring. All married women in my community wear rings like this, and some have decorative beads on them.



I live here in India and I believe in Hinduism.

I speak Hindi and Punjabi!



I am 1 person amongst 18,264,000 others! I enjoy eating Kheer, a rice pudding.



### ACTS 11:18

When they heard these things they fell silent. And they glorified God, saying, "Then to the Gentiles also God has granted repentance that leads to life."

What does Jesus say about me?

### WILL YOU PRAY FOR ME?

- Pray that Christian doctors, nurses, and humanitarian aid workers will have opportunities to share the love of Jesus.
- Ask the Lord to bring forth growing churches among the Jats for the glory of His name.
- Pray that churches and missions organizations will accept the challenge of adopting and reaching the Jats.



India



0.03% Christian



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# KAPU



నమస్కారం  
Namaskārām



My name is Karan and this is my daughter Annya.  
We belong to the Kapu people group in India. Kapu means farmer or protector. Many Kapu were once part of the military, but now we are mostly farmers. I am on my way to the farm while walking Annya to school. She will be entering middle school this year! She has to carry a lot of books with her, so I hope she didn't forget anything!



We live here in India and we believe in Hinduism.

We speak Telugu!



We are among 15,824,000 others! We enjoy eating Panasa Puttu Kooru, a jackfruit dish.



What does Jesus say about us?

### REVELATION 11:15

The kingdom of the world has become the kingdom of our Lord and of his Christ, and he shall reign forever and ever.

### WILL YOU PRAY FOR ME?

- Ask the Lord to send Indian believers to the Kapu to tell them about Jesus Christ. Kapu live in villages that often lack access to modern medicine, electricity, and clean water.
- Pray that the spiritual and physical needs of the Kapu are met by Jesus Christ. Hinduism is widely practiced among the Kapu people.
- Pray that God will open the minds and hearts of the Kapu to the truth of the Bible and reveal Himself as the one true God.



India



0.02% Christian



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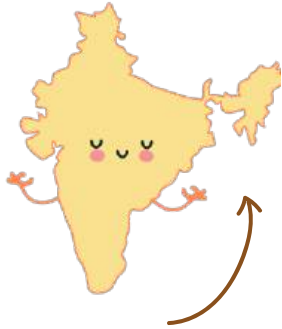
# KUMHAR



नमस्ते  
Namaste



My name is Mishika, and I belong to the Kumhar people in India. We make pots of all kinds, big and small! My favorite part is adding colors and painting patterns onto the pots we make. First, I let the fresh clay dry. Then, I add a thin base color, and once that dries, I get to add circles, lines, and swirls as decoration! This bowl's going to be part of a matching set I created!



I live here in India and I believe in Hinduism.

I am 1 person amongst 18,002,000 others! I enjoy eating Rajbhog, a dessert made from cheese.

I speak Hindi!



### JEREMIAH 18:6

“O house of Israel, can I not do with you as this potter has done?” declares the Lord. Behold, like the clay in the potter’s hand, so are you in my hand, O house of Israel.

What does Jesus say about me?

### WILL YOU PRAY FOR ME?

- Pray for a spiritual hunger in the Kumhar community that will lead them to Christ.
- Pray for a disciple-making movement that will bless the Kumhar this decade.
- Pray for the Lord to send out teams of workers to help the Kumhar people with their spiritual and physical needs.



India



0.01% Christian



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# KUNBI



नमसे  
Namaste



I'm Kunbi man from Gujarat. My village is preparing our traditional Goa Dance! In a few moments, the women will start dancing while the men will play these ghumots, or drums. We perform this dance as a prayer for protection over our homes and community. Both men and women wear a traditional clothing that is pink color. The pink dye comes from the manjistha plant. The dance is starting!



I live here in India and I believe in Hinduism.

I speak Gujarati!



I am 1 person amongst 1,775,800 others! I enjoy eating Xitt Codi, a fish curry with rice.



What does Jesus say about me?

### HABAKKUK 1:5

Look among the nations, and see; wonder and be astounded. For I am doing a work in your days that you would not believe if told.

### WILL YOU PRAY FOR ME?

- Pray for the salvation of the Kunbi people and that God may send Christian workers to work among them and meet their spiritual and physical needs.
- Pray for the Kunbi Christians to reach out to their own people.
- Pray that their men and women may give up smoking.



India



0.05% Christian



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# MAHRATTA



नमस्ते  
Namaste



I am a Mahratta woman from India. I work at home while my husband takes care of our cows. He uses livestock to help till the soil and harvest crops. Earlier, I washed our clothes by hand using soap and a piece of concrete. Right now, I am cooking porridge over an open fire so that my husband can eat when he comes home. I can't wait for this busy day to be over!



I live here in India and I believe in Hinduism.

I am 1 person amongst 35,656,000 others! I enjoy eating Bombay duck fry, a fried fish.

I speak Marathi!



### PSALM 12:5

“Because the poor are plundered, because the needy groan, I will now arise,” says the Lord; “I will place him in the safety for which he longs.”

What does Jesus say about me?

### WILL YOU PRAY FOR ME?

- Pray that the Mahratta people can find hope and receive the free gift of the gospel.
- Pray for God to turn the Mahratta people away from worshipping false idols.
- Mahrattas are part of the upper rural class; the majority of families own land and raise farm crops. As a result, they look down upon people they consider as not their equal. Pray that Mahrattas can experience God’s love and grace.



India



0.00% Christian



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# Nai



नमस्ते  
Namaste



I am part of the Nai people group in India. Nai means barber, and that is what many of us do for a living. My job includes giving haircuts, shaving beards, and occasional wedding preparations. It is meaningful because I get to give people a new appearance. When I see smiles on people's faces, I feel happy and proud of my work. I hope this boy will like his new haircut!



I live here in India and I believe in Hinduism.

I speak Hindi!



I am 1 person amongst 13,626,000 others! I enjoy eating Dosa, a crepe like bread street food.



What does Jesus say about me?

### LUKE 12:7

Why, even the hairs of your head are all numbered. Fear not; you are of more value than many sparrows.

### WILL YOU PRAY FOR ME?

- Pray for Indian believers to build friendships with the Nai and tell them about the Savior.
- Pray for a disciple-making movement that will bless the Nai people this decade.
- Many Nai do not know how to read. Pray for access to biblical audio materials and for God to lead the Nai to listen to Christian radio programs in their languages.



India



0.00% Christian



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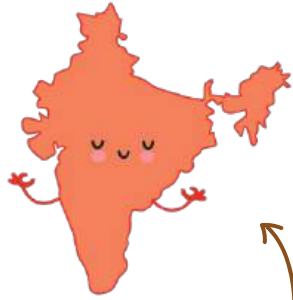
# RAJPUT



नमस्ते  
Namaste



I'm a Rajput man from Uttar Pradesh. We Rajputs descended from royal lineage, and we continue these traditions of honor today. This is a ceremonial sword, which is used for weddings. This traditional clothing is for the annual Camel Festival. Another important tradition for men is to groom our mustache and beard. This is just one of the many ways we preserve and express our culture!



I live here in India and I believe in Hinduism.

I speak Hindi!



I am 1 person amongst 31,412,000 others! I enjoy eating Dal Baati Churma, a lentils and bread dish.



What does Jesus say about me?

### EPHESIANS 3:8

To me, though I am the very least of all the saints, this grace was given, to preach to the Gentiles the unsearchable riches of Christ.

### WILL YOU PRAY FOR ME?

- Pray for the Rajput community to increase awareness of Jesus and their need for Him.
- Pray that the Lord will give Rajputs a spiritual hunger and satisfy that hunger.
- Pray that Rajputs will understand the value of becoming a part of God's royal family.



India



0.01% Christian



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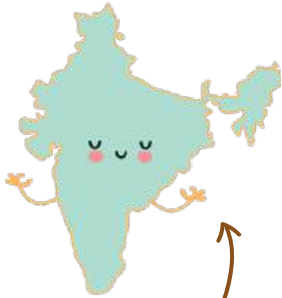
# SHAIKH



नमस्ते  
Namaste



We are Aisha and Alina, best friends. We are \_\_\_\_\_  
Shaikh girls and we love going to school together. \_\_\_\_\_  
Our school teaches us about Islam and we have \_\_\_\_\_  
started reading the Qur'an. We like to study \_\_\_\_\_  
together and talk about our favorite games, foods, \_\_\_\_\_  
and fashion. \_\_\_\_\_



We live here in India and we believe in Islam.

We are among 87,933,000 others! We enjoy eating Sheikh Al Mahshi, stuffed eggplant.

We speak Urdu!



### MATTHEW 25:35

For God, who said, 'Let light shine out of darkness,' has shone in our hearts to give the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ.

What does Jesus say about us?

### WILL YOU PRAY FOR ME?

- Pray that this largest Muslim group will find the truth of the Prophet Isa, the One who is the savior of all mankind.
- Pray for the Lord to thrust out loving and steadfast workers for this neglected harvest.
- Pray for Muslim background Bengali disciples to make more disciples.



India



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# TELI



नमस  
Namaste



I'm a Teli farmer from Uttar Pradesh, and right now I'm on my family farm. Here, we grow large fields of mustard and other plants, which we use to extract oil. My family has been in the oil business for generations, as well as many of the members of my community. Right now we're saving up money for a mechanical oil press, which will make work much easier.



I live here in India and I believe in Hinduism.

I speak Hindi!



I am 1 person amongst 21,520,000 others! I enjoy eating Aloo Gobi, a cauliflower potato curry.



What does Jesus say about me?

### 1 JOHN 4:16

So we have come to know and to believe the love that God has for us. God is love, and whoever abides in love abides in God, and God abides in him.

### WILL YOU PRAY FOR ME?

- Pray that the Holy Spirit would anoint Teli community leaders and lead them to open the doors for their people to follow Jesus.
- Pray that believers will reach out to this people group with the blessings of Christ.
- Pray for the Lord to raise up Teli believers who will disciple others and begin the process of starting a disciple-making movement among this people group.



India



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नमस  
Namaste



My name is Daivi and this is my big brother Dhiman. We take care of the cattle from early morning to night. We love to sing and dance. We like listening to the stories about the gods like Vishnu and Krishna. We also pray to Singaji to protect our cattle and present offerings like butter, unripe mangoes, and sugar. Life is not too bad, but sometimes I wish I could go to school like other children.



We live here in India and we believe in Hinduism.

We are among 48,502,000 others! I enjoy eating Kuzhambu, tamarind based curry.

We speak Hindi!



What does Jesus say about us?

### MATTHEW 9:37-38

Then he said to his disciples, "The harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few; therefore pray earnestly to the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into his harvest."

### WILL YOU PRAY FOR ME?

- Pray for the salvation of the Yadav people and for missionaries to pioneer new ministries among them.
- Pray for literacy and community development work.
- Pray for the practice of child labor to end and for education to be made available to all children, especially girls.



India



0.01% Christian



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# MALAY



Hai!

HELLO  
my NAME IS  
AZURA

HELLO  
my NAME IS  
NURIN

HELLO  
my NAME IS  
JAYA



My name is Azura (blue), and these are my friends, Jaya (green) and Nurin (pink). We are the Malay people in Malaysia. On our way back from school, we found some flowers, roots, and fern plants! Agriculture is big in the countryside, and the weather is humid, so we're able to grow lots of fruits and vegetables. Some of my favorites are durian, jambu merah, mangosteen, and rambutan!



We live here in Malaysia and we believe in Islam.



We speak Malay!



We are among 14,098,000 others! I enjoy eating Mee Goreng Mamak, fried noodles.



What does Jesus say about us?

### PSALM 96:7

Ascribe to the Lord, O families of the peoples, ascribe to the Lord glory and strength!

### WILL YOU PRAY FOR ME?

- Ask the Lord of the harvest to send forth laborers to work among each Malay group.
- Ask the Holy Spirit to grant wisdom and favor to missions agencies focusing on the Malay.
- Pray that God will give the small number of Malay believers boldness to share Christ with their own people.



Malaysia



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# MOROCCAN ARAB

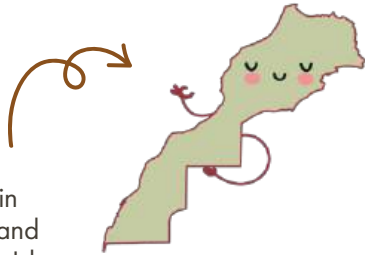


سلام  
Salam



I'm from Morocco. I work at my family's farm with my parents and sister. I'm in charge of milking the goats every morning! I also watch over the chickens and sheep. I love taking care of them! I'm wearing a hat called a taqiyah and many of the boys from Morocco wear them. Usually, I'm not dressed this fancy, but this robe is special for holidays.

I live here in Morocco and I believe in Islam.



I speak Arabic & Moroccan!



I am 1 person amongst 25,445,000 others! I enjoy eating Tagine, a slow cooked stew.



What does Jesus say about me?

### LUKE 24:47

And that repentance and the forgiveness for sins should be proclaimed in his name to all nations, beginning from Jerusalem.

## WILL YOU PRAY FOR ME?

- Ask the Holy Spirit to soften the hearts of Moroccan Arabs toward Christians so that they will be receptive to the gospel.
- Pray that God will call forth teams of intercessors who will faithfully stand in the gap for Moroccan Arabs.
- Ask God to give Moroccan Arab believers boldness to share the love of Christ with their friends and families.



Morocco



0.09% Christian



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# RAKHINE



ဟယ်လို  
Haallo



We are Rakhine people in Myanmar. We are going to the Thingyan Water Festival to celebrate the first day of the new year! We hold sprigs of thabyay (leaves of tropical plants) in silver bowls. It is our tradition to sprinkle thabyay-scented water on our friends and family. We also enjoy Burmese street foods, where everything is free during the festival!



We live here in Myanmar, also known as Burma and we believe in Buddhism.



We speak Rakhine & Burmese!



We are among 2,598,000 others! I enjoy eating Moti, a rice noodles, fish soup.

What does Jesus say about us?

**1 CHRONICLES 16:24**  
Declare his glory among the nations, his marvelous works among all the peoples!

### WILL YOU PRAY FOR ME?

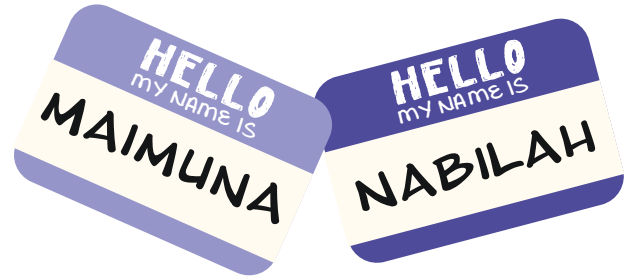
- Pray that the Rakhine people will be able to adequately use the Burmese Bible for written literature.
- Pray that evangelistic materials (such as audio-visual materials, songs, tracts, etc.) in the Rakhine language will be produced.
- Pray for a spiritual hunger in the Rakhine community that will lead them to Christ.

Myanmar 0.10% Christian Prayercast

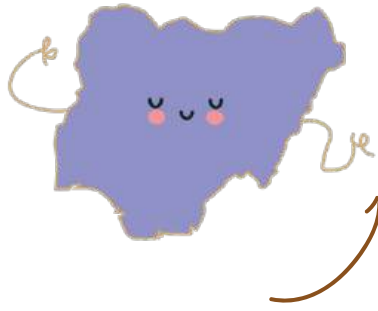
# FULANI



Sannu



I'm Maimuna (left), and this is my mother Nabilah, (right). We are Fulani in Nigeria. We just got back from a short journey delivering milk to our tribe's children. When we travel, my mother and I wear face markings and carry special milk bowls. We are semi-nomadic, which means we travel great distances to find supplies and shelter with our cattle and animals. I can't wait to see where we go next!



We live here in Nigeria and we believe in Islam.

We speak Fulfulde & Adamawa!



We are among 1,723,000 others! We enjoy eating Fura, millet dough balls with milk.



What does Jesus say about us?

### HABAKKUK 2:14

For the earth will be filled with the knowledge of the glory of the Lord as the waters cover the sea.

### WILL YOU PRAY FOR ME?

- Pray that the few Christian believers among the Fulani people would be sent teachers to help them become well established in their faith.
- Pray they would find each other in order to fellowship together, and that they would learn to live in the power of Christ's Spirit, experiencing His fruit consistently.
- Pray that the Fulani will be able to care adequately for their families and that they will be better prepared for the rapidly changing conditions of the 21st century.



Nigeria



0.05% Christian



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# ARAIN



اَسَلَامُ اَلَايْكُم  
*Asalāmū Ālaikuma*



I am Arain in Pakistan. We come from a humble agricultural caste, but over many years we have been able to rise up and become lawmakers and politicians. My father was a lawyer, and I followed to become a lawyer, too. One day, I'll teach my son to work hard during his education as we Arains are diligent in our work. Right now, I have to call one of my clients. Talk to you soon!



I live here in Pakistan and I believe in Islam.

I speak Punjabi!



I am 1 person amongst 11,668,000 others! I enjoy eating yogurt.

### ISAIAH 9:2

The people who walked in darkness have seen a great light; those who dwelt in a land of deep darkness, on them has light shone.

What does Jesus say about me?

### WILL YOU PRAY FOR ME?

- Pray that the Almighty God will lead faithful workers to take the message of salvation to the Arain people in Pakistan.
- Pray that the Arain people in Pakistan will soon be disciplined in the ways of Jesus.
- Pray for a spiritual dissatisfaction with Islam and a willingness to investigate the claims of Jesus Christ.



Pakistan



0.01% Christian



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# PASHTUN



سalam علیکم  
Salaam Alaikum



I'm a Pashtun woman from Pakistan. I am wearing this bright and colorful dress because I am practicing for the Attan dance. This is a folk dance that Pashtuns performed in times of war or weddings, and it is now the national dance. The dancers, men and women, move in a circle while clapping and turning along to the rhythm of drums. I hope everyone will enjoy this dance!



I live here in Pakistan and I believe in Islam.

I speak Pashto!



I am 1 person amongst 32,704,000 others! I enjoy eating Seekh Kebab.



### DANIEL 12:3

And those who are wise shall shine like the brightness of the sky above; and those who turn many to righteousness, like the stars forever and ever.

What does Jesus say about me?

### WILL YOU PRAY FOR ME?

- The greatest barriers to faith are social and cultural barriers. Pashtuns in Pakistan have been called the largest Muslim tribal society in the world. Pray for Pashtuns to find true hope and salvation through Jesus Christ.
- No one knows how many Pashtuns are following Jesus. Seeds of the gospel have been sown widely. Pray for the Holy Spirit to strengthen and protect new believers against any persecution so their lives can be a witness for God.
- Pray for the Bible translations in progress.



Pakistan



0.00% Christian



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# SAUDI-NAJDI ARAB



مرحبا، كيف حالك؟  
*Marḥaba, kayf ḥālak?*



My name is Nima and this is older brother Khalil.  
We are Sunni Muslim and live in Saudi Arabia.  
Khalil is a very nice older brother. I love spending  
time with him! Today, our family is celebrating  
Founding Day, the day the first Saudi state was  
established. It is one of my favorite holidays  
because all the children receive candy!



We live here in Saudi Arabia and we believe in Islam.



We speak Arabic & Najdi!



We are among 14,877,000 others!  
We enjoy eating dates.

### ROMANS 8:1-2

There is therefore now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus. For the law of the Spirit of life has set you free in Christ Jesus from the law of sin and death.

What does Jesus say about us?

### WILL YOU PRAY FOR ME?

- Pray for their protection and they would learn to live in the power of Christ's Spirit, demonstrating the fruit of his Spirit.
- Pray the Najdi Arabs would hunger to know forgiveness of sin, found only through faith in the work of Christ on the cross.
- Pray they would hunger to know God's love, found through faith in Christ's work and life.



Saudi Arabia



0.09% Christian



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# SUDANESE ARAB



سلام عليكم  
Salām 'alaykum



I am Zahra, from Sudan. One of my favorite celebrations is the end of Ramadan, the Festival of Breaking the Fast. Our whole family gets together to eat a delicious feast prepared by my grandmother and parents. We love to eat traditional Sudanese food. Today, we have Dem'a stew, Mullah Tagaliya and Asida, lentil soup, Gurasa, Ta'ameya, okra stew, and Baklava.



I live here in Sudan and I believe in Islam.



I speak Arabic & Sudanese!



I am 1 person amongst 15,087,000 others! I enjoy eating Mullah robe, lamb yogurt stew.

### ACTS 1:8

But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you, and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the end of the earth.

What does Jesus say about me?

### WILL YOU PRAY FOR ME?

- Pray for additional Bibles and Christian literature to be provided and placed.
- Ask God to bring natural and spiritual peace to this needy country.
- Pray that the Holy Spirit will anoint Christian broadcasts as they are aired among the Sudanese Arabs.



Sudan



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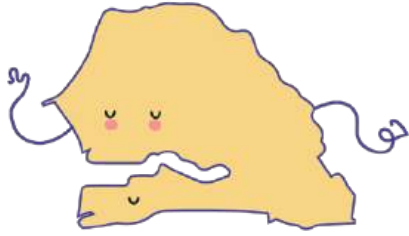
# WOLOF



Salaam Aleekum



I'm a Wolof woman in Senegal, Africa. All community events take place in the village square, such as dancing and wrestling matches! Fashion is important for both women and men in my community. I love to wear fancy dresses and headdresses. Later, I'll be going to the market to buy grain for my family. Many people will be dressed in formal clothing because it is important to our culture!



I live here in Senegal and I believe in Islam.

I speak Wolof!



I am 1 person amongst 6,116,000 others! I enjoy eating Thieboudienne, a fish and rice stew.



What does Jesus say about me?

### PSALM 86:9

All the nations you have made shall come and worship before you, O Lord, and shall glorify your name.

### WILL YOU PRAY FOR ME?

- Pray for the small number of Wolof believers to have the courage to share the love of Christ with their own people and be strong through persecution.
- Ask the Lord to give the Wolof believers opportunities to share the love of Christ with their own people.
- Ask the Lord to raise up strong local churches among the Wolof.



Senegal



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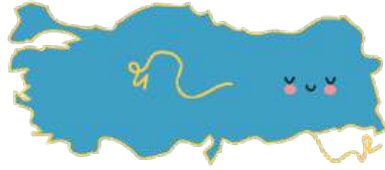
# KURD, KURMANJI



سلاق  
slav



My name is Ezma, and this is my best friend Khani. I am a Kurd and we live in Turkey. Khani is a Kurdish mastiff shepherd dog. He is the guardian of hundreds of our sheeps, goats, and horses. He protects them from predators. Khani loves to give me a ride and show me the field that he guards.



I live here in Turkey and I believe in Islam.



I speak Northern Kurdish!



I am 1 person amongst 9,299,000 others! I enjoy eating Dolma, vegetables wrapped in leaves.



### MATTHEW 5:16

In the same way, let your light shine before others, so that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father who is in heaven.

What does Jesus say about me?



### WILL YOU PRAY FOR ME?

- Pray for qualified Christian doctors to go to Turkey (as this may be allowed) and share their medical expertise as well as Jesus Christ with Kurds.
- Ask God to strengthen, encourage, and protect the small number of Kurds who are Christians.
- Ask the Lord to raise up a strong local church among the Kurds of Turkey.



Turkey



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# TURK

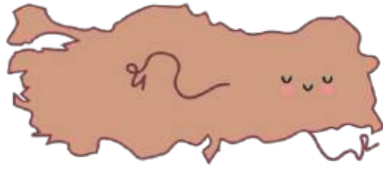


Merhaba!

HELLO  
my NAME IS

SILAAH

I'm Silaah. I belong to the Turk people in Turkey. I am a carpet-maker. I turn colorful knots into rugs and embroider handmade carpets. We have made carpets for many generations. We like to use colors of the earth, such as dark green and brown, with bits of richer colors like royal purple and red. This cloth can be made into many different things, like rugs or carpets, or perhaps a scarf!



I live here in Turkey and I believe in Islam.



I speak Turkish!



I am 1 person amongst 61,800,000 others! I enjoy eating Baklava, a flaky, layered pastry.

### ISAIAH 66:18

For I know their works and their thoughts, and the time is coming to gather all nations and tongues. And they shall come and shall see my glory.

What does Jesus say about me?

### WILL YOU PRAY FOR ME?

- Pray that churches and mission organizations will accept the challenge of reaching the Turks.
- Ask God to give Turkish believers and key leaders among the Turks boldness to share the gospel with their own people.
- Pray that Turkey will avoid both ethnic strife (especially with the Kurds) and resurgent Muslim fundamentalism.



Turkey



0.02% Christian



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# UZBEK

Salom!



I am Anora, and this is my friend Tahmina. We're Uzbek women in Uzbekistan. I come from a family of shepherds, a common profession in my city. Today, my children and grandchildren work on the same farm that I worked on when I was a young girl. Nowadays, I spend most of my time with the older women in my community, where we like to sit and chat, and watch the younger children play in the streets.



We live here in Uzbekistan and we believe in Islam.

We speak Uzbek!



We are among 28,930,000 others! We enjoy eating Halva, a dessert.



What does Jesus say about us?

## 2 PETER 3:9

The Lord is not slow to fulfill his promise as some count slowness, but is patient toward you, not wishing that any should perish, but that all should reach repentance.

## WILL YOU PRAY FOR ME?

- Pray that new Uzbek Christians would understand God's Word quickly and commit themselves to a local fellowship where they will find strength.
- Pray for God to raise up strong local churches in all these countries among the Uzbeks.
- Ask the Lord to send additional long-term laborers to live among the Uzbeks and share the love of Christ with them.



Uzbekistan



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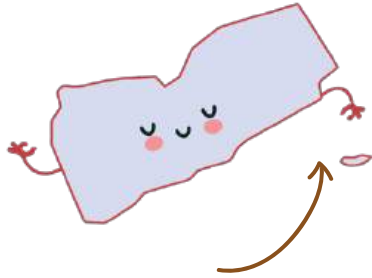


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# NORTHERN YEMENI ARAB



I am Makin, and this is my wife, Rima. We are Northern Arab in Yemen. We got married a few months ago and have been living happily together. We are also the only Christians in our families. Worshipping God is not allowed in Yemen. We had to be careful going to a secret gathering where we sang praise to God. I hope to one day be able to worship God freely with our families and community.



We live here in Yemen and we believe in Islam.

We speak Arabic and Sanaani!



We are among 15,339,000 others! We enjoy eating Saltah, a stew.



What does Jesus say about us?

### ISAIAH 57:14

Build up, build up, prepare the way, remove every obstruction from my people's way.

## WILL YOU PRAY FOR ME?

- Pray for a written Bible translation in Sanaani Arabic. There are a few audio resources, but the Saudi government severely restricts the Internet.
- Pray for a move of the Holy Spirit that will give Northern Yemenis a willingness to embrace Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior so that they depend on Him alone for salvation.
- Pray for a disciple-making movement among Northern Yemenis in Saudi Arabia that will spread to their homeland in Yemen.



Yemen



0.00% Christian



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# CHECHEN

Салам  
*Salam*



I am Salamu, a soldier of the Chechen army. Even during war, there's time to dance! We dance because we are an independent country! Even when Russian troops invade, Allah will grant us freedom! I am Chovka, wife of Salamu. It is a great day because I can dance with my husband. He fights in many battles. When I go to work in the fields each morning, I worry and pray to Allah to bring him home.



We live here in Russia and we believe in Islam.

We speak Chechen!



We are among 1,669,000 others! We enjoy eating Chudu, a flatbread pie.

### REVELATION 22:2

Through the middle of the street of the city; also, on either side of the river, the tree of life with its twelve kinds of fruit, yielding its fruit each month. The leaves of the tree were for the healing of the nations.

What does Jesus say about us?

### WILL YOU PRAY FOR ME?

- Pray for the endurance and protection of the few known Chechen believers.
- Pray for political stability in the area where the Chechens and Ingush live.
- Ask the Lord to tear down barriers to the gospel so that Christian workers who live and work among the Chechens will see fruit.



Russia



0.01% Christian



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# About the Character Design Cohort

## 2024 Team

### Claire Li

Illustrator

Claire Li is a student at ArtCenter studying Concept Design. She fell in love with Jesus at the beginning of college and wants to use her skills to bring God's glory to all the nations.

### Kia Harlan

Graphic Designer

Kia Harlan completed her bachelors in graphic design and art therapy at California Baptist University. She is passionate about creating compelling visuals that expand people's worldviews and bring connection through culture.

### Allyssa Acevedo

Graphic Designer

Allyssa Acevedo is a graphic designer studying at ArtCenter College of Design. She loves the power of storytelling and how it can be used to bring others closer to Jesus.

### Yoojin Seol

Associate Creative Director & Mentor

Yoojin is a creative who designed for brands like Meta, Messenger Kids, and Google. She loves creating experiences that foster creative expression, wonder, and well-being, especially for kids. Her favorite place to draw from is prayer and imagining with Jesus.

### Nick Wu

Indigitous US Producer

Nick loves media and production and is a seminary student at Dallas Theological Seminary. He is invigorated to mobilize young adults to missions using their God-given gifts and talents.

### Andrew Feng

Indigitous US Founder

Andrew loves to imagine new ways to empower people towards the Great Commission beyond the four church walls.

## 2021 Team

### Jessica Tse

Art Student

Jessica completed her master's in education at Azusa Pacific University. She began exploring digital art during the pandemic and is excited to use her art to glorify God.

### Whitney Hii

Art Student

Whitney studied animation and visual effects at Azusa Pacific University. She loves to work alongside fellow Christian artists who are using their talents for the kingdom.

### Becky Seo

Art Student

Becky studied illustration at ArtCenter. She was new to character design and enjoys the challenge. She hopes to use her gifts and passions to make a positive impact in the world.

### Samuel Chiu

Art Student

Samuel studied animation at Loyola Marymount University. He loves to serve the church and further his design knowledge. He is eager to see God shape his artwork and future plans.

### Ben Tong

Art Director and Mentor

Ben is a professional character designer with previous experience at DreamWorks TV. As the instructor and art director for this prayer booklet, he has guided the students in growing artistically and spiritually.

### Amanda Zuniga

Advisor

Amanda is a wife and mother and a design manager at Panda Express. She sees God use art through this project to bring glory to Himself and is looking forward to the church being mobilized for missions.



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