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Southern Pashtun in Afghanistan



Since the 1970s, the country of Afghanistan has been in a state of constant conflict. Right in the middle of it are the Southern Pashtun people. They are said to love and hate with equal intensity, displaying fierce loyalty to friends, yet defending the right of badal -- revenge or blood feuds -- where enemies are concerned.

Ministry Obstacles

Tribal traditions, state and social opposition, conservative Islam and the hostility of family all combine to stunt any growth of the Christian faith among the Pashtun people.

Outreach Ideas

Most likely, believers will need to address the physical and material needs of these suffering people, so they can see Christ's compassion displayed in a practical way.

Pray For the Church

Pray for the few followers of Jesus among the Pashtun to lead by example in their faith. Pray for them to grow in Christ themselves and to stay safe while doing so. Pray for them to be both courageous and loving as they reach out to their Muslim community.



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POPULATION: 9,881,000

LANGUAGE: Pashto, Southern

RELIGION: Islam

BIBLE: Portions

STATUS: Unreached

Prayer Focus

Pray for spiritual and physical peace in Afghanistan. Pray for the government to create an environment in which the people are safe. Pray for every tribe of Pashtun to accept Jesus' love into their hearts and begin living to serve Him. Pray for a full Disciple Making Movement to take root and spread.

SCRIPTURE Then He opened their minds so they could understand the Scriptures. Luke 24:45

PRAY *that the minds of this people group will be opened to understand God's word by the Spirit Himself.*