

The Danu People of Myanmar



The Danu people speak a nonstandard variety of Burmese [mya]. They live within Shan State, Myanmar, in the townships of Taunggyi, Yak Sauk, Pindaya, Ywa Ngan, Ye Oo, Aung Ban, and Kalaw. They are fishermen and agriculturalists. Almost all of the Danu people are Buddhists. Some outreach is being done among them by local evangelists and missionaries from other people groups within Myanmar. Since the Danu people speak a nonstandard variety of Burmese, they would probably be able to adequately use the Burmese Bible. However, it would be beneficial to produce evangelistic materials (such as audio-visual materials, songs, tracts, etc.) in the Danu language.

Pray that God will send more Christians to the Danu and that the Holy Spirit will soften their hearts so they will want to know the truth.

Primary Religion:

Buddhism

Disciples (Matt 28:19):

0%

Churches:

0

Scripture Status (Matt 28:20):

None

Population (date):

100,000 (2011)



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Have They Heard the Gospel?

Number of Missionaries	3
Comment	Local evangelists from other people groups within Myanmar
Call Themselves Christians	0%
Believe in Jesus As Their Savior And Only God	0%
Attitude to Christianity	Very resistant
Attitude to Religion Change	Very resistant
Number of Churches	0%
History of Christianity	Local evangelists from other ethnic groups within Myanmar have done outreach and evangelistic activities among the Danu people
Is the Word of God Translated?	No, although they could use Burmese [mya] materials, since their Burmese bilingual ability is very high. However, it would be beneficial to produce evangelistic materials (audio-visual, songs, etc.) in the Danu language.
Other Forms of Gospel Presentations Available	Recordings: No Literature: No Radio: No Video/Films: No TV: No
Comment	There are a wide variety of materials available in Burmese [mya] that could be used among the Danu people

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Status of Christianity

Religion 1

Buddhism

Adherents

99%

Religion and Response

Resistance/receptivity

Very resistant

Scripture

Uncertain Need Explained

For written materials, the Danu people should be able to use Burmese [mya] materials adequately, since their Burmese bilingual ability is very high; in some communities, Danu language vitality is low and Danu people speak Burmese as their first and best language. However, for evangelistic and outreach purposes, it would be very beneficial to have materials (such as audio-visual materials, songs, etc.) produced in the Danu language.

Missions and Churches

Organization 1

Local Evangelists

Country of Origin

Myanmar

Ministry

Evangelism