

Uzbek of Afghanistan (Central Asia)

Adopted in the 14th century, the Uzbek name is said to mean “independent” or “self-ruling,” from “uz,” meaning self and “bek,” meaning master. The name seems fitting since the Uzbek in northern Afghanistan have remained a cohesive group, where distance from the capital city, Kabul, has allowed them some autonomy. Political interests are represented by a single party, even when the 2001 Allied invasion increased political opportunities for them. Uzbeks continue to champion a central government with representation for all Afghan ethnic groups, but granting broad control over local issues to the provinces. With senior representatives in the present, as well as past governments, Uzbek influence can be expected to help shape an emerging Afghanistan. Ask God to call forth prayer teams who will begin breaking down the strongholds through worship and intercession. Pray that the Holy Spirit will soften the hearts of the Uzbek Muslims towards Christians so that a church planting movement will begin.

MORE INFORMATION: <http://www.joshuaproject.net/peopctry.php?rop3=110472&rog3=AF>



Mahratta of India (South Asia)

The Mahratta are located in the state of Maharashtra and in some parts of the Karnatak border and other parts of India as well. The main hero is Shivaji. Marathi is their mother tongue. Their life is simple. However it also depends on the family income. The father is the decision maker of the family. The main belief is in God rather than themselves. The Mahratta also believe in spirituality and life after death. Some are also involved in black magic as well. The cow is considered a sacred animal and is believed that it has 33 crore (1 crore = 10 million) gods inside her stomach. The main praying point is a temple. There are many gods. It is believed that there are in all 33 crore gods in the Hindu religion. Pray for the effectiveness of the Jesus film and Christian radio broadcasts that are being aired among the Mahratta. Ask the Lord Jesus to reveal Himself to the Mahratta. Pray for God to raise up strong local churches among the Mahratta so that their people group could be reached with the Gospel.

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Jat Muslim of Pakistan (Central Asia)

The Jat have a long history connected with the Central Asian region. They are of Indo-Aryan stock. The Jat are located primarily in both Pakistan and Kashmir. ‘Jat’ is a term used in Pakistan and Kashmir for landlords this is an occupational name, so all landlords in Pakistan and Kashmir were called ‘Jat’ therefore this means that Jats from Sind and Punjab look different from Kashmiri Jats (who look like other Kashmiris), Punjabi and Sindhi Jats look similar to other people of the same region. Because Jats were landlords they are thus primarily farmers. The vast majority (99.9%) of Jats are Muslim. There are a few Sikh Jats, who used to live in Pakistan but immigrated to India during the partition in 1947. Pray that a church planting movement would begin among the Jat Muslim of Pakistan. Pray that they would be receptive to the Gospel and that the Holy Spirit would be preparing their hearts to accept Christ.

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