

### Arab Iraqi of Turkey

The word "Arab" usually brings to mind images of white-robed Bedouins riding across the desert on their camels; however, this is not the total picture. There are more than 200 million Arabs who make up the majority populations of 22 nations. They represent the largest, most diverse, and most politically influential Muslim ethnic group in the world. It was early in the seventh century that Mohammed first preached the tenets of Islam to the Arabs. His successors quickly spread the word of Allah far and wide. Wherever Muslims went, they left elements of their Arab culture, including their religion. Fundamental Muslims are very outspoken against Christianity. Much prayer is needed to break down the barriers that separate them from the Truth. Fortunately, the weakening condition of their traditional Muslim culture will undoubtedly present opportunities for the presentation of the Gospel. Ask God to strengthen, encourage, and protect the small number of Muslim Arabs who have converted to Christianity. Pray that the softening of their traditional Muslim culture will create open doors for the Gospel to be preached among them. Ask the Lord to call people who are willing to reach out and share the love of Christ with them. Pray that God will raise up faithful intercessors who will stand in the gap for the Arabs.

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### Kashmiri Muslim of Pakistan

The Kashmiri live in Kashmir, a breathtaking region that is located in the western Himalayan Mountains of northwestern India and northeastern Pakistan. Unfortunately, this is a highly disputed area. It has been a battleground between India, Pakistan, and China since the partition of India and Pakistan in 1947. The Kashmiri primarily live in rural regions; only 20% live in cities. They are descendants of Indo-Aryan immigrants and are generally tall, fair skinned, and have features like the people of Central Asia. Most of the Kashmiri are devout Sunni Muslims, who follow a strict code of conduct. They are convinced that the Bible is wrong because it contradicts the Koran. Those who convert to Christianity are viewed as immoral, degenerate people; Christians in this region are often persecuted. Many Kashmiri have heard of Jesus Christ, but view him merely as a prophet and teacher. Today, there are only a relative few known Kashmiri believers in this region. The Islamic stronghold over them will only be broken down through prayer. Pray that the God will give the Kashmiri believers boldness to share the Gospel with their own people. Ask God to deliver the Christians in the Kashmir region from persecution.

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### Tibetan Bhotia of Nepal

In March of 1959, 100,000 Tibetans fled from Tibet into Nepal, Bhutan, and India as a result of the Communist Chinese occupation. Today, thirty-five years later, many Tibetan refugees still live in these countries. Tibetan Buddhism dominates the culture of the Tibetans who live in Nepal. They worship their king, the Dalai Lama, considering him a god. He serves as both their spiritual and political leader. Tibetans are very dedicated to their religious beliefs. Prayer flags, stupas (dome-shaped monuments used to house Buddhist relics), prayer beads, and prayer wheels are a common sight all over their region. The government of Nepal fiercely opposes any form of evangelism, and persecution against Christians is common. Many believers have spent long periods of time in prison for sharing their faith. Although many of the Nepali Tibetans have heard the name of Jesus and have some awareness of Christianity, they still do not have a clear concept of the Gospel. As a whole, they remain antagonistic and resistant to any type of Christian witness. The demonic side of Tibetan Buddhism is very real and can only be battled through prayer. Pray against the spirit of Buddhism that is keeping the Tibetan people bound. Ask God to raise up prayer teams who will begin breaking up the soil through intercession.

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