EVERYDAY WE HEAR BAD NEWS about the world’s 1.4 billion Muslims, but we put our hope in God’s promise to reach all peoples (Revelations 7:9-10). In fact, more Muslims have begun following Jesus in the last 30 years than in the previous 1300 years! This is good news! God loves to hear and answer our prayers for Muslims. Each of the 24 cards introduces you to a different Muslim people group God deeply loves. Pray for them!

• Put one on the bathroom mirror, the refrigerator, and the dashboard of your car.
• Tack several on your wall at work.
• Slip some in your Bible.
• Carry a pack in your purse or backpack for when you get stuck in line. Use the time to pray.
• Read one each night to the family at dinner.
• Pray through the pack each month.
• Pass them out to students and tell them to go learn more and report.
• Use them the next time you lead prayer in Sunday School.

Whatever you do, pray! Pray for the people on God’s heart. Pray for them to follow Jesus.

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Most Muslims belong to one of these cultural groups.

Ninety-seven percent of the world’s 1.6 billion Muslims live in Asia and Africa and are broadly described by these seven cultural groups:

**ARABIC-SPEAKING MUSLIMS**
- Across North Africa, Arabian Peninsula, and Southwest Asia
- 20% of Muslims globally (340 million)

**PERSIAN-MEDIAN MUSLIMS**
- Iran and parts of Central, South, and Southwest Asia
- 11% of Muslims globally (190 million)

**MALAY MUSLIMS**
- Southeast Asia - Philippines, Indonesia, Malaysia
- 13% of Muslims globally (220 million)

**SOUTH ASIAN MUSLIMS**
- Bangladesh, India, Pakistan
- 32% of Muslims globally (540 million)

**SUB-SAHARAN AFRICAN MUSLIMS**
- In a band across Africa, just south of the Sahara desert
- 12% of Muslims globally (200 million)

**TURKIC MUSLIMS**
- Turkey and across Central Asia and western China
- 10% of Muslims globally (160 million)

**OTHER MUSLIMS**
- Eurasian and Chinese Muslims are small in number but distinctly European and Chinese.
- 2% of Muslims globally (30 million)

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PRAY FOR THE
ALBANIANS
(al-bayn ee-ehnz)

Population: 5 million
Where they are: Albania, Kosovo, Macedonia
Language: Albanian
Cultural group: Eurasian Muslims

PRAYER POINTS:

• Restrictions on religious expression have recently been relaxed in Albania. Pray that Albanians would investigate Jesus Christ and that God would reveal himself to them as their loving, heavenly Father (Psalm 68:5).

• Pray that ethnic Albanians from the war-torn areas of Kosovo would find hope and security in the Prince of Peace (Isaiah 9:6).

• In the face of economic difficulties, pray that Albanians will seek God’s kingdom and his righteousness and that he will provide for their needs (Matthew 6:31-33).
PRAY FOR THE BEDOUINS
(beh-doo-ehnz)

Population: 22 million
Where they are: Arabian Peninsula, North Africa
Language: Arabic
Cultural group: Arabic-speaking Muslims

PRAYER POINTS:
• Pray that the Bible would be accessible to all among this traditionally oral culture through biblical storytelling (Matthew 13:34-5).
• Praise God for the Bedouin values of loyalty and hospitality, and pray that God would affirm these values through stories from the life of Jesus and his followers.
• As Bedouins move from their traditional tents to a more urban, settled lifestyle, pray that God would reveal and answer their longing for heaven (2 Corinthians 5:1-5).

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PRAY FOR THE BENGALIS
(behn-gah-leez)

Population: 95 million
Where they are: Bangladesh
Language: Bengali
Cultural group: South Asian Muslims

PRAYER POINTS:
• Pray that Bengalis who have lost homes, possessions and loved ones in annual monsoons would find God’s loving-kindness and provision (Psalm 69:14-17).
• Pray that Bengalis living abroad would be welcomed by followers of Jesus who will share his good news with them.
• Pray that Bengali women would see themselves as God’s handiwork, an important thread in the tapestry of his kingdom (Ephesians 2:10).

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Bugis
(boo-geez)

Population: 5 million
Where they are: Sulawesi (Indonesia)
Language: Buginese
Cultural group: Malay Muslims

PRAY FOR THE
BUGIS

PRAYER POINTS:

• Pray for the Holy Spirit to move among the Bugis, opening Bugis hearts to the good news about Jesus and giving boldness to believers among them (2 Corinthians 3:12).

• Pray for the completion of an up-to-date Buginese translation of the Bible and that Bugis would find God’s word to be alive, powerful and active (Hebrews 4:12).

• Pray that Bugis radicals would come face to face with the power of Jesus Christ and become equally zealous for his name (Numbers 25:11-13).
PRAY FOR THE
CHECHENS
(cheh-chehnz)

Population: 900,000
Where they are: Caucasus Mountains (Russia)
Language: Chechen
Cultural group: Eurasian Muslims

PRAYER POINTS:
• Pray that Chechens would embrace their historical roots as believers in Christ and that a new fellowship of Chechen believers would be established.
• In light of the Chechens’ continued striving for independence, pray that the Chechens would find freedom in Christ and recognition as citizens of his kingdom (Ephesians 2:17-20).
• As Chechens follow Christ, pray that the Chechens’ independent spirit would inspire them to stand firm in their faith even in the face of difficulty.

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PRAY FOR THE
HAUSA
(hahw-sah)

Population: 32 million
Where they are: Nigeria, Niger
Language: Hausa
Cultural group: Sub-Saharan African Muslims

PRAYER POINTS:
• Pray that the Hausa proverb, “Give a stranger water and listen to the news”, would take on new meaning as they receive living water and good news about Jesus (John 4:14).

• Legendary traders, pray that the Hausa will find the pearl of great price and be willing to give up all to own it (Matthew 13:46).

• Since polygamy and divorce are common among the Hausa, pray that Hausa women will find security in being God’s beloved (Deuteronomy 33:12).
PRAY FOR THE
HUI
(hway)

Population: 11 million
Where they are: China
Language: Mandarin
Cultural group: Chinese Muslims

PRAYER POINTS:
• As Hui perform Muslim rituals, pray that God would use these rituals as a tutor to show them their need for forgiveness through Jesus’ blood (Galatians 3:24).
• Pray that Muslim leaders among the Hui will have supernatural encounters with Jesus Christ and go on to influence other Chinese Muslims to follow him.
• As China’s largest minority group, pray that the Hui would come to find a new identity as members of God’s household and fellow citizens with the saints (Ephesians 2:19).
PRAY FOR THE KASHMIRIS
(kahsh·mee·reez)

Population: 6.4 million
Where they are: Northern India
Language: Kashmiri
Cultural group: South Asian Muslims

PRAYER POINTS:
• Pray that Kashmiris suffering the long-term aftermath of 2005’s devastating earthquake would find hope and help through ministries bringing relief and development to their region.
• Pray that Kashmiris would have visions and dreams of Jesus and be healed in his name.
• Pray that Kashmiris would find God to be their righteous judge, that the mountains and hills of Kashmir might bring prosperity in him (Psalm 72:2-3).

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PRAY FOR THE
KYRGYZ
(keer geez)

Population: 4 million
Where they are: Kyrgyzstan, Uzbekistan, China
Language: Kyrgyz
Cultural group: Turkic Muslims

PRAYER POINTS:
• Pray that Kyrgyz young people in urban areas will turn to Jesus rather than crime, drugs, or consumerism.
• Pray that Kyrgyz who live in fear of the destructive spiritual power of curses and jealousy will find freedom and protection in the full armor of God (Ephesians 6:11-12).
• Pray that God would inspire storytellers, artists and musicians to tell the stories of the Bible in a distinctly Kyrgyz way (Psalm 78:2-4).

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PRAY FOR THE LAMPUNGESE
(lahm-poong·eez)

Population: 2 million  
Where they are: Sumatra (Indonesia)  
Language: Lampung, Api  
Cultural group: Malay Muslims

PRAYER POINTS:

• Pray that the fluctuating Sumatran economy would cause the Lampungese to seek peace and stability in Jesus (Matthew 6:33).

• Pray that Chinese, Javanese and Batak believers in southern Sumatra would overcome their fears and cross cultural boundaries to befriend their Lampungese neighbors.

• Pray that the Lampungese would lift their hands to the Lord and allow him to be their family banner (Exodus 17:15-16).
PRAY FOR THE LIBYAN ARABS

(lijh-bee-yahn-ar-ahbz)

Population: 4 million
Where they are: Libya
Language: Arabic
Cultural group: Arabic-speaking Muslims

PRAYER POINTS:
• Pray that Libyan Arabs would open their hearts to the gospel as their nation opens its doors to trade and tourism.

• Pray that Libyans would hunger for God and have more access to Bibles and to biblical truths broadcast via satellite (Matthew 5:6).

• Pray that God will bring a future and a hope to Libyan young people who face conflicting messages about culture, faith, politics, and the economy (Jeremiah 29:11).
PRAY FOR THE
MAGUINDANAO
(mah-gihn-dahn-ahw)

Population: 2 million
Where they are: Southern Philippines
Language: Maguindanao
Cultural group: Malay Muslims

PRAYER POINTS:
• Pray that God would work supernaturally through dreams, visions, and miracles to break down barriers of suspicion between the Maguindanao and Filipino Christians.

• As a proud people who never submitted to outside dominance, pray that the Maguindanao would identify with Jesus who can make them more than conquerors through his love (Romans 8:37).

• Pray that Maguindanao who fear evil spirits would find freedom in Jesus to whose name even demons submit (Luke 10:17).

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PRAY FOR THE
MALINKE
(mah-leeng kay)

Population: 2.4 million
Where they are: Guinea, Mali, Senegal, Burkina Faso
Language: Mandinka
Cultural group: Sub-Saharan African Muslims

PRAYER POINTS:
• Pray that God will inspire traditional singer-storytellers to tell the stories of Jesus to the Malinke people.
• Pray that Malinke would experience healings and miracles done in Jesus’ name and that, as a result, many would place their faith in him (Acts 8:5-6).
• Pray that Malinke who have left Africa because of drought and hardship would receive blessings through Jesus’ followers in their new lands (Revelation 7:16-17).
PRAY FOR THE
MINANGKABAU
(mee-nahng kah-bahw)

Population: 9 million
Where they are: Sumatra (Indonesia)
Language: Minangkabau
Cultural group: Malay Muslims

PRAYER POINTS:
• As God touched Lydia, pray that he would open the hearts of women in this female-led society and that they would influence whole families for Christ (Acts 16:14-15).

• As Minang men travel to work in cities far from home, pray that they would come into contact with followers of Jesus who would share God’s blessings with them (Matthew 25:37-40).

• Pray that God would respond when the Minangkabau experience natural disasters and family crises and give them a future and a hope (Jeremiah 29:11).
PRAY FOR THE
OGAN
(oh-gahn)

Population: 500,000
Where they are: Sumatra (Indonesia)
Language: Ogan
Cultural group: Malay Muslims

PRAYER POINTS:
• Pray for influential Ogan leaders to follow Jesus and be examples of faith in their communities.
• Pray that the Ogan would see believers who live free from the fear of spirits and men and that they would seek Christ, the source of that freedom.
• Pray that the good news about Christ would be carried from house to house along the rivers where the Ogan live (Acts 5:42).
PRAY FOR THE

OROMO

(oh-roh-moh)

Population: 20 million
Where they are: Ethiopia
Language: Oromo, Oromifa
Cultural group: Sub-Saharan African Muslims

PRAYER POINTS:
• As Oromo consider their history and current circumstances, pray that they will know that God sees their difficulties and that Jesus offers them identity and freedom.
• Pray that this traditionally pastoral people will give their hearts to the God who owns the cattle on a thousand hills (Psalm 50:10).
• Praise God that the Oromo have never had a tradition of idol worship, and pray that they will worship the Father in spirit and in truth (John 4:23).
PRAY FOR THE
PALESTINIAN REFUGEES
(pal-eh-stihn-ee-ehn)

Population: 4 million (registered with UN as of 2000)
Where they are: Jordan, Gaza Strip, West Bank, Syria, Lebanon
Language: Arabic
Cultural group: Arabic-speaking Muslims

PRAYER POINTS:
• Pray that God would bring adequate healthcare, clean water, better education and economic opportunity to the refugee camps where many Palestinians live.
• Pray that Israel and the other nations who have influence in the Palestinian region would work to bring peace and justice to Palestinians (1 Kings 10:9).
• Pray for Palestinian Christians to boldly proclaim the reconciliation that is only available through Christ (Romans 5:10-11).

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The Western Punjabis

Population: 68 million
Where they are: Pakistan
Language: Punjabi
Cultural group: South Asian Muslims

Prayer Points:
- Pray that Punjabi youth would turn away from drugs and other addictions and that they would find freedom and hope in Christ.
- Punjab means “five rivers.” Pray that the Punjabi people will believe in Jesus and that rivers of life will flow from them (John 7:38).
- Praise God for the strong family life of the Punjabis, and pray that whole Punjabi families will come to Jesus together (Acts 16:31).
PRAY FOR THE

SHAikh

(shaykh)

Population: 75 million
Where they are: India
Language: Urdu
Cultural group: South Asian Muslims

PRAYER POINTS:

• Pray that Urdu speakers who live and work in various parts of the world would be befriended by believers and hear the good news of Jesus (Leviticus 19:34).

• Pray that whole extended family networks will believe in Jesus together so that new Shaikh believers will not have to leave their lifelong communities to find fellowship (Joshua 24:14-15).

• Pray that Shaikh women who lived concealed lives would know that God sees and knows them intimately (Psalm 33:13-15) and accepts them into his presence through Jesus’ blood.
PRAY FOR THE SINDHIS
(sihn-deez)

Population: 20 million
Where they are: Pakistan
Language: Sindhi
Cultural group: South Asian Muslims

PRAYER POINTS:
• Pray that the hearts of Sindhi farmers will be fertile soil where the seeds of the gospel can grow and multiply (Luke 8:8).
• Pray that Sindhi children will hear the name of Jesus at a young age and grow up believing in him.
• Pray that Sindhi women will hear of how Jesus loves women and will share this good news with others in their homes.
PRAY FOR THE
SOMALIS
(soh-mah-leez)

Population: 13 million
Where they are: Somalia
Language: Somali
Cultural group: Sub-Saharan African Muslims

PRAYER POINTS:
• Pray that God would show his care for Somalis who have been affected by war and that he would bring peace and healing to their broken hearts.
• Pray that Somalis will hear the poems of David and parables of Jesus and turn their hearts toward Isa al-Masih (Jesus the Messiah).
• Pray that Somalis caught in clan rivalries would “kneel before the Father from whom every family on earth derives its name” (Ephesians 3:14-15).
PRAY FOR THE
TAJIKS
(tah-jeeks)

Population: 11 million
Where they are: Afghanistan, Tajikistan, Uzbekistan
Language: Tajik
Cultural group: Indo-Iranian Muslims

PRAYER POINTS:
• Pray that Tajiks would seek Jesus because of the frequent references to him in the Qur’an.
• Pray that the Tajiks would be touched by the God who speaks to and hears them in their own language and who sent his son to redeem them and their families.
• Pray that God would inspire new Tajik-style songs, dances, stories and artwork to powerfully tell the story of Jesus to the Tajik people (Psalm 96:1-3).
PRAY FOR THE
TATARS
(tah-tahrz)

Population: 2 million
Where they are: Russia, Turkey, Central Asia
Language: Tatar
Cultural group: Turkic Muslims

PRAYER POINTS:
• Pray that Jesus will reveal himself as a savior for the Tatars, and not as a Russian or foreign god.
• Pray that God would confirm truths about Jesus through signs and miracles, and that, as a result, Tatars would place their faith in him (Hebrews 2:3-4).
• Praise God for the strong family networks of the Tatar people, and ask him to bring these families and their patriarchs to himself.

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PRAY FOR THE
TUAREGS
(twahr-ehgz)

Population: 2.4 million
Where they are: Niger, Mali
Language: Tamajaq, Tamasheq
Cultural group: Saharan African Muslims

PRAYER POINTS:
• As Tuaregs abandon their nomadic traditions because of drought and social change, pray that they will call on Jesus to meet their spiritual and physical needs.

• Pray that the Holy Spirit would inspire new Tuareg music and poetry to tell the story of Jesus, that the Taureg would “lift up a song for him who rides through the deserts, whose name is the LORD.” (Psalm 68:4)

• Pray that the crosses depicted in Tuareg jewelry and artwork would be filled with new meaning as Tuaregs take up their crosses and follow Christ (Matthew 16:24).
PRAY FOR THE
KURDS

(Kuhrds)

Population: Estimated 25 million
Where they are: The region of Kurdistan straddles Iran, Iraq, Turkey, Syria, and Armenia
Language: Three separate dialects: Kurmanji, Sorani, and Dimili

PRAYER POINTS:
• Judaism and Christianity once existed among the Kurds. As Islam gained control in the Middle East, the number of synagogues and churches dwindled. The spiritual famine of the Kurds has continued for a millennium as political overlords keep out the good news. Pray the Lord would bring peace to the area so the Kurds might know and follow Jesus as Lord.
• Kurds are the largest people without a country. They have been used as pawns in war and have suffered genocide multiple times. Pray for workers to go to the Kurds, learn their language, and show them the love of God.
• Thousands of refugee Kurds now live in North America and Europe. Pray Christians would show them the way to a relationship with Jesus Christ.
PRAY FOR THE
DUNGAN
(doon-gahn)

Population: Estimated 90 to 130 thousand
Where they are: Mostly in Kyrgyzstan, southern Kazakhstan, and eastern Uzbekistan
Languages: Dungan, which evolved from Mandarin Chinese and Russian

PRAYER POINTS:
• The Dungan are ethnically Chinese people who migrated in the mid-nineteenth century. They diligently guard their cultural heritage, of which being Muslim is a strong part. Pray that they will see how being a follower of Christ is the best thing for their families and society.
• Most Dungan can recite the Arabic words of the Qur’an but never know their meaning. Some are attracted to the understandable poetry in the Bible. Pray more Dungan will hunger for truth and receive a Bible to read.
• Pray that God would be a hope and a help to the Dungan as they struggle through economic hardships in the wake of the fall of the Soviet government.

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PRAY FOR THE
WOLOF
(woh-lahf)

Population: 3.7 million
Where they are: West African countries of Senegal, Gambia, and Mauritania
Language: Wolof

PRAYER POINTS:
• In Wolof culture much time is given to hosting neighbors and new comers in one’s courtyard around a giant common bowl of rice and fish. Pray that those pioneering among the Wolof would find those softened hearts with whom they can share the gospel.
• There are fewer than 50 known believers. Pray that these will grow in understanding and application of the pure gospel, so they will be able to lead a movement of the Wolof to Christ.
• A spirit of fear and superstition enslaves the Wolof. Pray that they would be presented the revelation of a loving God, whether by missionaries or via dreams and visions, and so be set free.
PRAY FOR THE
TURKS
(tuhrks)

Population: Estimated 53 million
Where they are: Turkey, another 3 million in Europe
Language: Turkish

PRAYER POINTS:
• Though Turkey modernized and prospered economically, Turks are hungry for something they cannot find in secularism or Islam. Pray for a move of God in Turkey and a Turkish church movement to result.
• Pray that the true character of Jesus would shine through his people in Turkey and that misconceptions about Christianity (equaling western culture) would be dispelled.
• Pray that Turkish Muslims would seriously study the Bible, compare it to the Qur’an, and embrace the truth of God’s word.

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PRAY FOR THE
MADURESE
(mahd-ah-reez)

Population: 13 million
Where they are: Madura and East Java, Indonesia
Language: Madura and Indonesian

PRAYER POINTS:
• This rural people face prejudice from other
Indonesians who say they are violent and uneducated.
Madurese in the cities are relegated to menial jobs of
physical labor. Pray that this tired and hopeless people
would be introduced to a God who values them and a
Savior who gives hope.

• The goal of a Madurese is “to be a good Muslim.” Many
young children attend religious schools and study
the Qur’an in Arabic. Pray that one day the Madurese
would be free from Islamic law and enjoy life in Christ.
PRAY FOR THE MALAY
(mah-lay)

Population: 23 million
Where they are: Malaysia, Indonesia, and surrounding countries
Language: Malay

PRAYER POINTS:
- Pray that Chinese and Indian Christians would rise above prejudice and their fear of Malaysian law to reach out to their Malay neighbors.
- Pray for the Malay as they struggle to maintain family ties and Malay customs in the midst of the fastest growing economy in Southeast Asia.
- Even young children commit the entire Qur’an to memory. Pray that they would be introduced to the Bible and embrace the truth and hope it reveals.

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PRAY FOR THE
TUNISIAN ARABS
(too-nee-zahn ayr-ahbs)

Population: 9.5 million
Where they are: Tunisia, many are also in Europe
Language: Tunisian Arabic and French

PRAYER POINTS:

• A beach resort destination for Europeans, Tunisia is rather prosperous and modern for North Africa. Pray that the emptiness of Islam and materialism would be replaced with spiritual hunger for Jesus.

• During the first centuries A.D. there was a strong church in Tunisia. Church divisions, heresy, and shallow roots eventually toppled it, and Islam took over. A recent resurgence in the national church brings the number of believers to around 300. Pray these believers would be unified, steadfast, and eager to witness of Christ.
PRAY FOR THE UYGHURS (wee-guhrs)

Population: 8 to 10 million in China and 500,000 in Central Asia
Where they are: The Xinjiang Province of Northwest China
Language: Uyghur, a Turkic language

PRAYER POINTS:
- Most Uyghurs live in areas cut off from gospel witness. Pray that radio and cassette Bible programs will be developed and made available to those with no other opportunity to hear.
- “To be Uyghur is to be Muslim.” Pray that Uyghurs would be drawn from a fear-based religion into a love-based relationship with the living God.
- Once prosperous merchants along the Silk Road trade route linking East and West (8th-11th c. AD), Uyghurs have never enjoyed self-rule, a situation that has occasionally spawned violent nationalism. Pray that wounds from the past would be healed and Jesus would free them from their current cycle of poverty.

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PRAY FOR THE
YEMENI ARABS
(yeh-meh-ee ayr-ahbs)

Population: 18 million
Where they are: Yemen on the Arabian Peninsula
Language: Arabic

PRAYER POINTS:
• Pray for the few underground believers to be faithful and courageous in a country notorious for persecuting converts, and pray that a Yemeni church would emerge.
• Pray for God’s grace in this the poorest of Arab nations devastated by civil wars, poverty, corruption, and drugs.
• Ask the Lord to send more Christian workers, to grant them perseverance to stay in a difficult environment, and wisdom to sow God’s word effectively.
PRAY FOR THE
TURKMEN
(tuhrk-mehn)

Population: 5.5 to 8.5 million
Where they are: Afghanistan, Iran, Iraq, Pakistan, Syria, Turkey, Turkmenistan, and other former Soviet Republics
Language: Turkmen with regional dialects

PRAYER POINTS:
• The national sentiment is, “to be Turkmen is to be Muslim.” Pray that those seeking the truth would be free to be Christ followers without betraying their ethnic heritage.
• Many Turkmen living in Turkmenistan have relatives living in neighboring Iran or Afghanistan. Pray that these relationships would be the natural bridges for the gospel to cross these borders.
• The government of Turkmenistan is actively persecuting the few Turkmen believers. Pray that Christian leaders would be able to stand firm and self-controlled in the midst of persecution and that their persecutors would come to faith through the believers’ testimony.
PRAY FOR THE
BERBERS
(buhr-buhrs)

Population: 20 million
Where they are: Morocco
Language: Each of three major Berber groups speaks its own language: Ishilhayn (Tashilhayt language), Central Atlas Berbers (Tamazight language), and Rifii Berbers (Tariffit language)

PRAYER POINTS:
• Pray that God would glorify himself by healing the wounds of growing ethnic strife between the dominating Arabs in Morocco and the Berbers through the power of the gospel.
• Pray that God would raise up workers who will communicate the gospel in the Berber heart languages and also reach rural Berbers by providing their first literacy programs.
• Pray that the few existing Berber Christians would take the gospel to their families and friends and would establish Berber house churches that will multiply throughout the region.

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PRAY FOR THE
AZERBAIJANIS
(az-uhb-jehn-eez)

Population: 6.5 million
Where they are: Azerbaijan, between Russia and Iran, and in surrounding countries
Language: Azeri and some Russian

PRAYER POINTS:
• Neighbors play a significant role in the life of Azerbaijanis and people usually have the same ones their entire lives. Pray that the gospel would spread naturally through shared lives instead of hinder because of fear of what neighbors might say.
• Azerbaijan is a nation of poets and musicians. Pray that the few Azerbaijani believers will write their own worship music and use the music parables to introduce others to the love of Christ.
• The national sentiment is, “to be Azerbaijani is to be Muslim.” Pray that those seeking the truth would be free to be a Christ follower and yet remain culturally Azerbaijani.

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PRAY FOR THE
FULANI
(foo-lah-nee)

Population: 20 to 24 million
Where they are: Across the Sahel region of Northern Africa, a minority in 19 countries
Language: One of many dialects of Fulfulde

PRAYER POINTS:
- Recurring droughts are threatening the herding lifestyle of this the largest nomadic people in the world. Pray for their physical needs to be met.
- The Fulani behavioral code allows no affection and no emotion to be shown. Pray they would be released to relish in the eternal joy that comes from following the way of Jesus Christ.
- Pray that God would use radio programs and the work of the many missionaries working among them to spread the gospel and to sustain the few Fulani believers in the face of family rejection. Missionaries among the Fulani are few. Ask God to encourage their hearts.

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PRAY FOR THE
ACEHNESNE
(ah-chah-neez)

Population: 3 million
Where they are: Island of Sumatra, Indonesia
Language: Aceh

PRAYER POINTS:
• Sumatra is the largest unevangelized island on earth with 52 unreached peoples. The Acehnese have been influential in spreading Islam throughout Indonesia. Pray for the Acehnese to see that Islam is a false way to God, who cannot be reached through mere human effort. Pray that God would bind the spiritual forces keeping Aceh from the truth.
• The New Testament was published in Aceh in 1992. Pray that copies would get into the right hands and that the Old Testament will be completed soon.
• Pray that hostility towards Christians will cease and that they will be allowed to freely preach the gospel.

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PRAY FOR THE
UZBEKS
(ooz behks)

Population: 21 million
Where they are: Uzbekistan, Afghanistan, Russia,
   Turkmenistan, and Kyrgyzstan
Language: Uzbek

PRAYER POINTS:
• Pray that God would strengthen the small, struggling
  church in Uzbekistan, bring unity, and raise up
  nationals to be servant leaders and strong witnesses of
  Jesus to other Uzbeks and Central Asians.
• Pray for favorable relationships between government
  officials and Christian leaders so that the gospel can
  spread without political interference.
• Pray that disillusionment with Islam would continue to
  grow among Uzbeks, leading them to believe the truth
  found only in Jesus Christ.

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PRAY FOR THE
KAZAKS
(kah zahks)

Population: 1.3 million
Where they are: In the mountains of Northwest China
Language: Kazak, Mandarin Chinese, Uyghur

PRAYER POINTS:
• Rapid development is forcing Kazaks to abandon the migratory shepherd lifestyle that defines them. Many are leaving the mountains they love and struggle to find jobs in cities. Pray they will accept Jesus as the Good Shepherd who can be a source of encouragement in this identity crisis.
• Merely a handful of believers minister to China’s spiritually hungry Kazaks. Pray for more workers for this plentiful harvest and that the newly translated Bible would get into the right hands.
• Kazaks in China live in fear of evil spirits and look to shamanistic practices for help. Pray that God will free them from this bondage.

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PRAY FOR THE
ANSARI
(ahl-sahr ee)

Population: 16 million
Where they are: Most in North India, also Bangladesh, Pakistan, and Nepal
Language: Urdu

PRAYER POINTS:
• Ansari practice Folk Islam, observing the rituals of their religion as a way to ward off evil. As Muslims they rely on their performance of good works in hopes of entering paradise. Few Ansari feel certain about ever seeing heaven. Pray that the good news of a personal Savior would reach them.

• Eighty percent of Ansari live a simple life in remote villages. Their community is tight-knit and long-lasting. Pray that the patriarch in the family would be receptive to the gospel, opening the way for entire families and villages to hear and believe.

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TIPS FOR SHARING WITH MUSLIMS:

- Take time to build a lasting friendship.
- Practice hospitality. Invite them over.
- Ask lots of questions and be a good listener.
- Pray with them and for them.
- Always be patient, gentle, and respectful.
- Sidestep debate or argument.
- Avoid insulting the Qur’an, Muhammad, or Islam.
- Be aware of their customs and beliefs.
- Meet men with men and women with women.
- Maintain a lifestyle consistent with the gospel.
- Love them unconditionally.
- Pray for God to change your heart and theirs.

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