Acehnese in Indonesia



The Acehnese are a blend of many peoples, which explains why they are fairer skinned and taller than most other Indonesians, Traditionally, most Aceh, both men and women, wore a sarong, a modest and colorful skirt. In recent years there has been a move towards Islamic dress and now the majority of women wear a head covering. Most men have no say in matters that deal with the home or even child rearing. The Aceh people are strict Sunni Muslims and have been very instrumental in spreading Islam throughout Indonesia and other parts of Southeast Asia.

Ministry Obstacles

The Aceh people are one of the most strongly resistant people groups anywhere to the gospel.

Outreach Ideas

There is a need for much focused, sustained prayer for the Aceh people. The Lord's Spirit can work in Aceh hearts to hunger to know Jesus, the only Savior.

Prayer Focus

There are very few followers of Jesus among the Aceh people. They need prayer support. Pray for their physical and spiritual protection. Pray they will



■ AH-chay-NEEZ
POPULATION: 3,995,000
LANGUAGE: Aceh
RELIGION: Islam
BIBLE: Complete
STATUS: Unreached

be tactful yet forthright in their quiet testimony for Christ. Pray they will consistently know the joy and love of Christ. Pray for the fervency of the Aceh people toward Islam to be redirected toward faith in the only one who is worthy of praise and worship. Pray for them to become a mission-sending base.

SCRIPTURE Beloved, do not imitate evil but imitate good. Whoever does good is from God; whoever does evil has not seen God. (3 John 1:11)

PRAY that the Lord raises up pastors and teachers in this people group who set good examples and are able to teach the Bible.