Emirati Arabs in the United Arab Emirates



The Arabian Peninsula is the home of the Emirati Arabs. Traditionally they were nomads and villagers who lived in the harsh desert environment in Saudi Arabia and the United Arab Emirates (UAE). Their main diet consisted of goat's milk or yogurt, or rice covered with ghee. When in desert oases, they add dates as a dessert, and they only eat meat on special occasions. Their housing was usually a portable goat hair tent. Some Emiratis still live like this, but most are urban. The oil industry has enriched their nation.

Ministry Obstacles

Emirate Muslims have a strong bias against the validity of Christianity.

Outreach Ideas

Many foreigners live and work in the UAE. They can take Christ to those facing a Christ-less eternity.

Prayer Focus

Pray for the few Emirati believers to shine their Holy Spirit lights among the Muslims. Pray for Christ followers in the Arabian Peninsula to adopt and pray for the Gulf Arab nomads. Pray for the Holy Spirit to send dreams



◀ ← em-ee-RAH-tee POPULATION: 1,090,000

LANGUAGE: Arabic, Gulf Spoken

RELIGION: Islam
BIBLE: Portions
STATUS: Unreached

and visions to the Gulf Arabs that will awaken a hunger and thirst for the real truth when they hear about Jesus Christ. Pray for a people movement to Christ this decade.

SCRIPTURE Likewise, you who are younger, be subject to the elders. Clothe yourselves, all of you, with humility toward one another, for God opposes the proud but gives grace to the humble. (1 Peter 5:5)

PRAY that the believers in this people group are clothed with humility and grace.

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