Azeri in Belarus



the Azerbaijani (also known as the Azeris) homeland has been the target of numerous invasions throughout history. It was first conquered by the Persians in the sixth century B.C. During the seventh century, Islam was introduced, and they have been Muslim since. Their culture is a blend of Turkic and Persian influences. A small number live in Belarus.

Ministry Obstacles

Because of their historical ties with Iran, they predominantly follow the Ithna Ashari (Twelver) Shia tradition. They are unwilling to heed the words of Jesus Christ regarding salvation by faith alone.

Outreach Ideas

Many Azeris identify as cultural Muslims. Islam is their heritage, but it does not offer hope, peace, or the promise of eternal life. They need to be introduced to the God who loves them and who sent to his only son to save them.

Prayer Focus

As far as we know, there are no Christian believers among this people in Belarus. Pray that this will change. Pray for dedicated, Holy Spirit-



■ uh-ZARE-ee POPULATION: 6,100

LANGUAGE: Azerbaijani, North

RELIGION: Islam
BIBLE: Complete
STATUS: Unreached

anointed workers to go to the Azeris in Belarus. Pray for spiritual discernment and hunger among these Shia Muslims. Pray for the Holy Spirit to move among Azeri family heads, so they will be willing to listen to the gospel. Pray for a disciple making movement among Azeris.

SCRIPTURE Pray this blessing on today's people group. Nehemiah 9:6

PRAY May the hearing of God's word lead to this people group understanding who God is and the fact that he gave them life.