

# Burmese in Myanmar



**T**he Burmese are the political, economic and religious leaders of Myanmar, formerly known as Burma. The Burmese have mixed Buddhist beliefs with animistic beliefs. Their animistic beliefs center around inherently evil spirits called nats. The Burmese spend their lives trying to appease the nats. Burmese homes often have altars for the spirits, as well as a statue of Buddha. Farmers may spend more in a year on their religion than on education, health and clothing for their families.

## Ministry Obstacles

Following Christ for the Burmese may be threatening, risking attacks from evil spirits. They need spiritual protection and discernment.

## Outreach Ideas

Pray for God's blessing on the leaders in the Burmese people group, along with their families, and for their communities to welcome and enjoy God's provision.

## Prayer Focus

Pray for the few followers of Christ among the Burmese, that they would live holy lives, being zealous to grow into the image of Christ. Pray they would be kind and compassionate to



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**POPULATION:** 31,383,000

**LANGUAGE:** Burmese

**RELIGION:** Buddhism

**BIBLE:** Complete

**STATUS:** Unreached

one another and to their neighbors, drawing them to the Savior. Pray for peace tempered by justice and for the Burmese people to hunger to know forgiveness of sin and power for living, found only in the person and work of Christ. Pray for a Disciple Making Movement among the Burmese this decade.

**SCRIPTURE** “I will make you into a great nation. I will bless you and make you famous, and you will be a blessing to others. I will bless those who bless you and curse those who treat you with contempt. All the families on earth will be blessed through you.” Gen 12:2-3

**PRAY** for many leaders in today's people group to seek and find God's blessings, which He intended to give to them since the beginning of time.

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