

Central Kurd in Iraq



Mentioned in the book of Daniel, the Medes are the ancient ancestors of Iran's Sorani speaking Kurds, also called Central Kurds. Coupled with other Kurds in Turkey, Iran, Syria, Armenia and Azerbaijan, they are the world's largest stateless ethnic group, and are hated and undermined by the Arabs in Iraq. Their unwillingness to unite has worked against them time and again. They have two mutually hostile political-military factions which keep them weak and vulnerable.

Ministry Obstacles

Kurds usually associate the gospel with the West.

Outreach Ideas

Their biblical past is a bridge to open them to the gospel; it can be associated with Darius the Mede or perhaps the wise men. There are several gospel tools in Sorani: TV, radio, and portions of Scripture.

Prayer Focus

Pray that the Christians in Iraq would unite in the global mission of God to bring the Kurdish peoples unto himself. Pray for God's protection. Pray that the Kurdish church would be increasingly evangelistic in ways



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POPULATION: 5,146,000

LANGUAGE: Kurdish, Central

RELIGION: Islam

BIBLE: Complete

STATUS: Unreached

that are meaningful to Sorani speaking Kurds. Pray they would welcome missionaries. Pray that they would become increasingly dissatisfied with Islam and open up to the ways of Jesus Christ. Pray for a movement to Christ among Sorani speakers this decade.

SCRIPTURE I know your works. Behold, I have set before you an open door, which no one is able to shut. I know that you have but little power, and yet you have kept my word and have not denied my name. (Revelation 3:8)

PRAY *for a wide-open door for the gospel to penetrate the culture of this people group.*