Fezzan Bedouin in Libya



The Bedouin are descendants of Arab invaders and the native North African Berber population. The first Arab invasion of North Africa was in 643, but complete Arabization did not occur until much later. There are very few true nomads among the Bedouin, while seminomads are quite numerous. The true nomads herd only camels, and they wander freely. The semi-nomads cultivate crops, primarily barley and wheat. Nomadic Bedouin live in portable black tents made from woven goat hair. Half of the tent is for the women, children, cooking utensils and storage. The other half contains a fireplace and is used for entertaining. Bedouin have been Muslim for many generations.

Ministry Obstacles

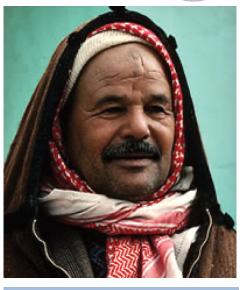
Resources are available in the languages of most Bedouin, but how can resources be made available to these people living largely in remote portions of Libya?

Outreach Ideas

Gospel radio can be effective in reaching people in remote areas, and is especially needed for nomadic groups. Pray for good quality programs.

Prayer Focus

There are no known followers of Jesus among the Fezzan Bedouin. However,



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POPULATION: 220,000

LANGUAGE: Arabic, Libyan

RELIGION: Islam

BIBLE: Portions

STATUS: Unreached

please pray for those the Lord is preparing for himself. They will need prayer support and they will need teachers to help them. Pray for the Bedouin to have adequate rainfall for their crops and herds. Pray also they would see the importance of educating their children well for a rapidly changing world.

SCRIPTURE So now we can tell who are children of God and who are children of the devil. Anyone who does not live righteously and does not love other believers does not belong to God. 1 Jn 3:10

PRAY for the believers in today's people group to live righteously for the Lord and to love their brothers and sisters.