

Chaungtha in Myanmar



The Chaungtha people inhabit central parts of Myanmar. Their name means “people of the valley.” The Chaungtha are ethnolinguistically related to the Burmese. In recent decades many have chosen to identify themselves as Burmese, hoping to benefit from being aligned with the majority ruling people. The principal occupation is rice cultivation along with maize, cotton, tobacco and opium poppies.

Ministry Obstacles

The Chaungtha embrace Buddhism and a belief in evil spirits. Bible resources are not available in their language, probably because it and Burmese are similar, so a separate translation seems unwarranted.

Outreach Ideas

Rural Chaungtha lack access to modern medicine. Teams of believers can demonstrate the love of God by providing medical care and by installing solar panels for their energy needs.

Prayer Focus

Pray for Chaungtha Christian believers to be fervent in prayer and ready to disciple others. Pray for dedicated intercessors who will



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POPULATION: 183,000

LANGUAGE: Rakhine

RELIGION: Buddhism

BIBLE: Portions

STATUS: Unreached

commit to sustained prayer. Pray for the Chaungtha to hear the good news about Christ. Ask the Lord to send workers to disciple them and teach them to disciple others. Pray that Christian resources would become available in Rakhine, the heart language of most Chaungtha.

SCRIPTURE For you, O Lord, are good and forgiving, abounding in steadfast love to all who call upon you. *Psa.86.5*

PRAY *Thank the Lord that He is eager to offer love and forgiveness to peoples who turn to Him for help!*