

Crimean Tatar in Ukraine



Today, Crimean Tatars are a minority group in Ukraine and continue to face discrimination. The mass deportation of 1944 immobilized their culture; nearly half of their population died en route, and those who survived were forced to grow up among foreigners, far from home and often uneducated. Their dress and language make it difficult to distinguish Crimean Tatars from Russians or Ukrainians. Many of their traditions are falling away, especially among the younger generation.

Ministry Obstacles

The majority are nominal Muslims though the number of those practicing Islam has increased since Ukraine's independence in 1991. Islam is an important part of their identity as a people. Challenging Islam is viewed as a challenge to their identity.

Outreach Ideas

Someone with a good music background and the love of Christ can go to the Crimean Tatars as Christ's ambassadors, using music as a culturally relevant way to teach biblical truths.

Prayer Focus

Pray for Crimean Tatar believers to



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POPULATION: 265,000

LANGUAGE: Crimean Tatar

RELIGION: Islam

BIBLE: Complete

STATUS: Unreached

be ready and willing to win, equip, and disciple those from a Muslim background. Pray for the Holy Spirit to move through Ukraine and the Crimean Peninsula during times of trouble and war. May Christ's light dispel the darkness in Ukraine and bring beauty from ashes.

SCRIPTURE But I will declare it forever; I will sing praises to the God of Jacob. Psalm 75:9

PRAY for many from today's people group to tell of God's wondrous deeds to their families.