

Gilaki in Iran



The Gilaki are one of the Caspian peoples, inhabiting the southern coastal region of the Caspian Sea. The inhabitants of Gilan Province have often been the source of resistance and reform movements within Iran. After World War I, the Gilaki demanded national reform and independence for their region. The Apostle Bartholomew may have spent time evangelizing in this area of the world around 50 A.D. Although Christianity was once a powerful presence here, now it is extremely weak. Today, the Gilaki are virtually all Muslim.



Ministry Obstacles

Iran is hostile to any kind of overt Christian evangelistic effort.

Outreach Ideas

Scripture portions are available in the Gilaki language, as are other resources, including the JESUS Film. They can download these on the internet, or Iranian believers can take them to Gilaki communities.

Prayer Focus

We know of no Christ followers among the Gilaki people, so pray for a movement to Christ in the years to come. Pray that the Gilaki people

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POPULATION: 2,949,000

LANGUAGE: Gilaki

RELIGION: Islam

BIBLE: Unspecified

STATUS: Unreached

would increasingly hunger to receive forgiveness for their sin, forgiveness that only Jesus Christ can offer. May they be dissatisfied with a religion that offers no pardon and no power for living. Pray for them to be sensitized to their need for a sin-free savior.

SCRIPTURE Declaring the end from the beginning and from ancient times things not yet done, saying, 'My counsel shall stand, and I will accomplish all my purpose.' Isaiah 46:10, ESV

PRAY Thank the Lord that He alone can tell the future, and his plans for today's people group can never be stopped.