Huichol in the United States



he Huichol are an indigenous people who live in the Sierra Madre Occidental Mountains of western Mexico about 200 miles southeast of the city of Mazatlán. The Huichol successfully resisted the Spanish conquerors for many years due to the rugged, remote land in which they lived. Unlike almost all Mexican tribal peoples, the Huichol clung to their folk religion and did not accept Roman Catholicism of the Spanish. Over 5,000 of them have migrated to the Chicago area of the United States, forcing them to change much of their traditional lifestyle.



In Mexico, the Huichol are animists and ancestor worshippers. Village shamans play a big role in their religious and physical lives. These shamans connect the Huichol to the spiritual world and act as medical doctors. Such beliefs become weaker for those in the urban United States.

Outreach Ideas

Believers can help meet the spiritual, social and physical need of newly arrived Huichol as they integrate into modern society.



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POPULATION: 6,300
LANGUAGE: Huichol

RELIGION: Ethnic Religions

BIBLE: Complete STATUS: Unreached

Prayer Focus

Pray for Mexican believers to reach out to the Huichol people. Pray that the leaders of the Huichol community in the United States would be open to the message of Jesus Christ. Pray for a disciple making movement to begin among the Huichol of Chicago and Mexico.

SCRIPTURE Righteousness and justice are the foundation of your throne; steadfast love and faithfulness go before you. Psa.89.14

PRAY that today's people group will seek and find His righteousness and justice. Pray that they will be thankful for His unfailing love.