Khmer in Cambodia



When you think of the Khmer you think of Cambodia, the country where they are in the majority. The Khmer civilization once ruled much of Southeast Asia. In the 1200s, the Thais and Vietnamese defeated the Khmer and pushed them into Cambodia, where most live today. The huge Angkor Wat temple complex in Cambodia gives evidence of past glories. They have been primarily Buddhist since the 13th century, but elements of Hinduism and animism are mingled with Buddhist beliefs.

Ministry Obstacles

Centuries of devotion to their past belief system are not quickly overcome, but there is much progress.

Outreach Ideas

Discovery Bible studies can spread rapidly and bless Khmer families and communities.

Pray for the followers of Christ

Pray for the steady growth of the church among the Khmer, that they will continue to have a heart of fire for God and a passion for the souls of their countrymen.



POPULATION: 14,045,000 LANGUAGE: Khmer RELIGION: Buddhism BIBLE: Complete STATUS: Unreached

Pray for the Entire People Group

Pray the Khmer will heal from the tragedies brought by the Khmer Rouge, and that this past suffering will prepare them for the love and forgiveness found only in Jesus Christ.

SCRIPTURE You spoke sharp words to them to turn them back to Your Law. Yet they acted in pride and did not listen to Your Words, but sinned against Your Laws, by which if a man obeys them he will live. They were strong-willed and made their hearts hard against You, and would not listen. Neh 9:29, NLT

PRAY that when this people group hears the word that they will respond with heart-felt obedience.

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