

Northern Kurds in Armenia



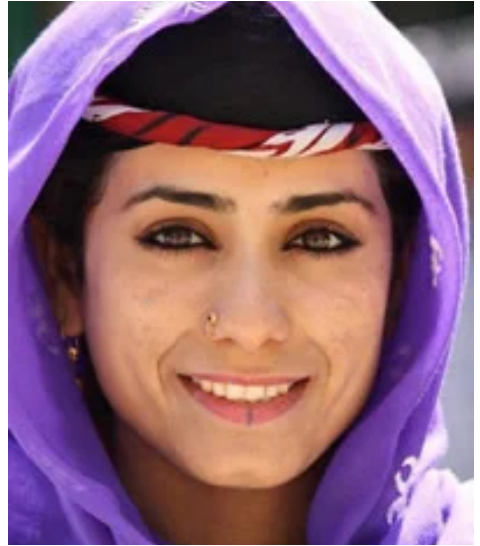
The Kurds are the largest people group without their own homeland. They are spread across Turkey, Iran, Iraq, Lebanon, Armenia and Georgia. This oil-rich area is known as Kurdistan. Most Kurds are either Sunni or Shia Muslim, but a significant number of them are Yazidis, whose beliefs draw heavily on the ancient monotheistic Persian religion of Zoroastrianism. The Kurds of Armenia enjoy a relatively high standard of living which is often evidence in the quality of their homes. There is no illiteracy.

Ministry Obstacles

Although the Kurds of Armenia are financially prosperous, they are spiritually paupers. Their strong ethnic identity is closely associated with their Muslim or Zoroastrian identity. To give up their religious identity is like denying their ethnicity.

Outreach Ideas

Relational evangelism is the best way to win the hearts of unbelievers to Jesus Christ. Living out a Christian lifestyle among friends goes further than many other ways of reaching others with the good news. The most authentic outreach is a Christ obeying Kurd reaching out to a Muslim Kurd.



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POPULATION: 2,200

LANGUAGE: Kurdish, Northern

RELIGION: Islam

BIBLE: Complete

STATUS: Unreached

Prayer Focus

Pray for the Holy Spirit to soften the hearts of Muslim Kurds toward Jesus as Lord. Pray for God to strengthen, encourage and protect the few known Kurdish believers. Pray for a strong church planting movement to be raised up among the Kurds of Armenia.

SCRIPTURE Show me the right path, O Lord; point out the road for me to follow. Ps 25:5, NLT

PRAY that this very year many from this people group will seek the Lord for the right path to true righteousness and guidance.