

# Malay in United Kingdom



"The sun never sets on the British Empire," used to be a true saying until the late 1950s. By that time, many lands controlled by the UK were independent, including Malaysia, which was established as a nation in 1957. Colonized people were allowed to migrate to Great Britain, and the Malays were no exception. As a result, there are a small number of Malay people in that country. Many of these are college students.

## Ministry Obstacles

The strongest characteristic of Malay identity that remains consistent regardless of their location is their adherence to the Islamic faith. Though they mix ancient beliefs with their form of Islam, being a Muslim is a central part of the Malay identity. It is very difficult for them to allow Christ to penetrate this mindset.

## Outreach Ideas

The Malay can be reached in Great Britain, where there is freedom of religion. The Malay are often gregarious and friendly. Believers can make friends with them through social networks preferred by Malay Muslims.



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POPULATION: 36,000

LANGUAGE: Malay

RELIGION: Islam

BIBLE: Complete

STATUS: Unreached

## Prayer Focus

Pray for the Holy Spirit to penetrate the wall of religion that keeps them from accepting the Savior and give them a desire for Jesus Christ. Pray for loving and persevering workers to go to them. It is often very difficult to be allowed into their social networks.

**SCRIPTURE** Instead, I (God) want to see a mighty flood of justice, an endless river of righteous living. Amos 5:24

**PRAY** that God's justice and righteousness prevail in the society of this people group.