## Belitung in Indonesia



■he Belitung live on the Indonesian island of Belitung. This island is located in the South China Sea, on the east of Sumatra. Many farm corn, cassava, sweet potatoes and bananas. The handicraft industries developed by the Belitung involve porcelain, ceramic and rattan goods. Their traditional houses are built on wooden supports with bark walls and roofs of sago palm leaves. Groups of Belitung families form villages they call keleka. The keleka is led by a traditional chief and his assistants and has its own regulations. The religious leader is a shaman who leads religious ceremonies. The Belitung largely adhere to Islam, but they also follow beliefs outside of Islam.



The traditional beliefs of the Belitung have separated them from Jesus Christ. They are not open to hearing about the one who is the truth.

## **Outreach Ideas**

Christians can encourage and disciple the Christian believers among them, praying for them and providing discipleship materials.



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POPULATION: 116,000

LANGUAGE: Malay

**RELIGION: Islam** 

BIBLE: Complete

STATUS: Unreached

## **Prayer Focus**

Pray for the followers of Jesus among the Belitung community to fellowship together and grow strong in the nurture and admonition of the Lord. Pray they would be able to provide good schooling for their children.

**SCRIPTURE** And now, Lord, look upon their threats and grant to your servants to continue to speak your word with all boldness, while you stretch out your hand to heal, and signs and wonders are performed through the name of your holy servant Jesus. Acts 4:29-30

**PRAY** for boldness and love among the workers who go to today's people group.

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