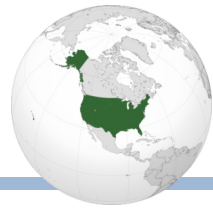
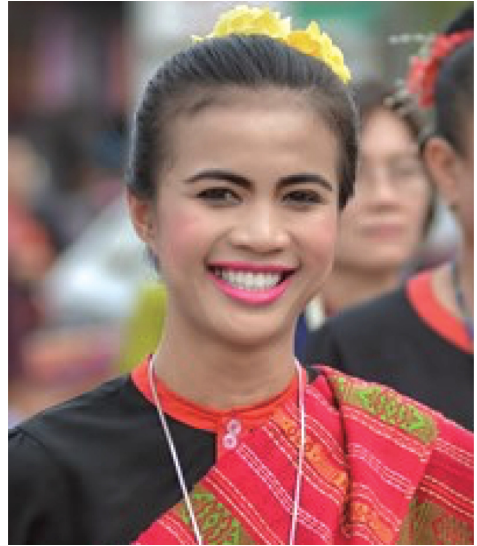


Phu Thai in the United States



The Phu Tai are mostly distributed between Thailand, Vietnam and Laos; but a sizable group are in the United States. There is a Phu Tai community in the Los Angeles area. Unlike most Tai-speaking groups, the Phu Tai remain animists, with little Buddhist influence. Every year the Phu Tai gather for the Pi Tian Festival. The high point of the festival is when they perform a ritual involving sacrifices and prayers to the spirit they believe resides in paradise above. They believe there is a moment when the spirit comes down from heaven. The normally-reserved Phu Tai dance and jump for joy at that time.



Ministry Obstacles

Lack of outreach and concern by nearby Christians keeps the Phu Tai from hearing about Jesus as savior.

Outreach Ideas

Perhaps Christians in the Los Angeles area will take the initiative to reach out to the Phu Tai people. They need a vision for doing this.

Prayer Focus

Pray the handful of Phu Tai Christians will understand they have been saved through faith, not by works,



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POPULATION: 57,000

LANGUAGE: Phu Thai

RELIGION: Buddhism

BIBLE: Translation Started

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and that they have been created in Christ to do good works, prepared in advance for them to do, especially to witness to their fellow Phu Tai. Pray for Phu Tai Buddhists in the United States to come into contact with Spirit-filled believers who will share Christ with them.

SCRIPTURE By this it is evident who are the children of God, and who are the children of the devil: whoever does not practice righteousness is not of God, nor is the one who does not love his brother. (1 John 3:10)

PRAY for the believers in today's people group to live righteously for the Lord and to love their brothers and sisters.

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