Saharawi in France



Originally, the Saharawi were desert nomads who traveled from place to place with their camels. A sub-group of the Moors, the Saharawi are a mix of Berber Arab and Black African descent.

Ministry Obstacles

All speak an Arabic dialect called Hassaniya. In addition, their religion, way of life and dress are Arabic style. By the 1300s, the Arabs ruled the region, causing conflict with the Berbers until the end of the 1600s. The Saharawi are descendants of these two groups. The Saharawi who immigrated to France mostly live in Paris and Marseilles.

Outreach Ideas

The Saharawi people are Muslims who believe our spiritual needs are found in Islam. Muslims are not often open to hearing about the One who is the Way, the Truth and the Life.

Prayer Focus

There are not many resources available in their Hassaniya language except the JESUS Film. Believers can go to places where they expect to find Saharawis and share the film with them. Since there are almost no



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POPULATION: 15,000

LANGUAGE: Hassaniyya
RELIGION: Islam

BIBLE: Portions

STATUS: Unreached

believers among the Saharawi people in France, pray that God will save key leaders among them who will boldly declare the lordship of Jesus. Ask the Lord to soften the hearts of the Saharawi towards the gospel message. Pray for a movement to Christ among the Saharawi people.

SCRIPTURE Blessed is everyone who fears the LORD, who walks in his ways! Psalm 128:1, ESV

PRAY that many from this people group will have the joy that comes from fearing and following the Lord.

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