Sudanese Arabs in Saudi Arabia



The Sudanese Arabs' form of language differs from other Arabic speakers, and they have a history that dates far back while other Arabs in Sudan have a history that can only be traced to 1860. Sudanese Arabs are Sunni Muslims whose faith focuses on pilgrimage to saints' tombs as well as the pilgrimage to Mecca. It is also tinged with mysticism, thanks to Sufism. Their unique music is rooted in their pre-Islamic past. Urban Sudanese Arabs have migrated to Saudi Arabia to work in oil fields.

Ministry Obstacles

The biggest obstacle to reaching them is where they live: Saudi Arabia. It is the custodian to Islam's holiest shrine, the Kaaba, and home to Mohammed, founder of Islam. The government of Saudi Arabia is heavily invested in Islam as a religious institution.

Outreach Ideas

It would be good to use satellite television and radio to reach them. This is possible thanks to SAT-7, Trans-World Radio, Far East Broadcasting and IBRA. Today, there are no known believers among the Sudanese in Saudi Arabia.

Prayer Focus

Pray that this would change as they are



SOO-dun-eez POPULATION: 171,000

LANGUAGE: Arabic, Sudanese

RELIGION: Islam

BIBLE: New Testament STATUS: Unreached

reached by modern media such as Facebook, YouTube and the Internet, in addition to television and radio, as God prepares them through dreams and visions. Pray for a strong underground movement to Christ among Sudanese Arabs that will spread far and wide.

SCRIPTURE The apostles left the high council rejoicing that God had counted them worthy to suffer disgrace for the name of Jesus. Acts 5:41

PRAY that believers in this people group are willing to endure persecution for the name of Christ.

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