

Tai Nua, Chinese Shan in Vietnam



This Tai Nua group is mostly found in southern China, but also in northern Vietnam and Myanmar. After a Tai Nua wedding ceremony the bridegroom goes to live with his bride's family. Traditionally he must take with him gifts of tea, rice, meat, bananas, four eggs, and two salted fish for his new in-laws. Upon arrival, the village elder takes the packets of tea and rice out to the road and calls on the spirits of heaven and earth to witness the marriage. He then ties a white thread seven times around the wrist of the bride and once around the wrist of the groom to indicate their unbreakable commitment to each other.

Ministry Obstacles

There are almost no believers among the Tai Nua people in Vietnam, and the region where they live is mainly animistic.

Outreach Ideas

There are Bible portions in this language. Believers can distribute them in Tai Nua villages.

Pray for the followers of Christ

Pray that the few Tai Nua people who call Jesus "Lord" will let the light of the Holy Spirit shine before their neighbors, friends and family members. Pray that they will have the gift of healing, so they can demonstrate the power and goodness of the Lord.

Pray for the Entire People Group



POPULATION: 108,000

LANGUAGE: Tai Nua

RELIGION: Buddhism

BIBLE: Portions

STATUS: Unreached

Pray for at least 12 pioneer workers to go to the Tai Nua people in Vietnam with the gospel. Pray for openness to the gospel among Tai Nua elders and commoners. Pray for the Lord to send dreams and visions of the Risen Christ to these people who have very little chance to hear His name. Pray for a disciple making movement to transform Tai Nua communities.

SCRIPTURE The heavens proclaim the glory of God. The skies display his craftsmanship. Ps 19:1, NLT

PRAY that many from today's people group will look to the sky, see God's artwork, and commit themselves to following this awesome savior!