Karmali in Bangladesh



angladesh is an independent Muslim-majority state. However, not all Bangladeshis are Muslim. Today's people are Hindus, who raise and eat pigs, which gives them low status. Muslims abhor pork and Hindus normally do not eat meat. As Hindus, Karmalis are polytheists and spiritists, who venerate ancestors, whom they believe reside in houses after death. Therefore, they sacrifice to ancestors and household spirits with the help of shamans. They are expected to marry within the clan, but not outside the tribe. Currently there is a trend to work in wage day labor among those Karmali.



Ministry Obstacles may include illiteracy. Shamans and spirit worshippers might not be willing to give up their power. This can prove to be a barrier to the advance of the gospel among the Karmali.

Outreach ideas

Global Recording Network recordings can be useful for evangelism.



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POPULATION: 5,400

LANGUAGE: Sylheti
RELIGION: Hinduism

BIBLE: New Testament

STATUS: Unreached

Prayer Focus

Pray God will give the Karmali a hunger for Jesus Christ. Pray the Karmali will be open to evangelists and loving missionaries who seek to reach them. Pray for a spiritual movement that will lead the Karmali people to embrace the only savior.

SCRIPTURE And the glory of the Lord shall be revealed, and all flesh shall see it together, for the mouth of the Lord has spoken. Isa 40:5

PRAY that members of this people group will soon see the glory of the Lord and respond to it.