Turks in Istanbul, Turkey

Turkey is a geographic and cultural "link" between Asia and the West, so they don't fall neatly into either category. The typical Turk lives a secularized, modern urban life, with all the materialistic advantages that go with it. Many rural Turks twist their form of Islam through belief that men have the power to curse others by giving them the "evil eye." They believe one is protected against this look by wearing blue beads, which the evil eye cannot face. Another way to avoid this is to spit in a fire and pray to Allah.

POPULATION: 59,258,000
LANGUAGE: Turkish
RELIGION: Muslims
BIBLE: Complete
STATUS: Unreached

Ministry Obstacles
Both Islam and traditional beliefs keep Turks from considering the amazing claims of Jesus Christ.

Outreach Ideas
Turks have a high literacy rate, so people can send them Bibles and Scripture portions in the mail. Radio broadcasts are also effective.

Pray for the Entire Group
Ask God to give Turkish believers boldness and love to share Christ with their own people.
Ask the Lord to save key leaders among the Turks who will lead them in a-Making Movement. Pray that many Turks living abroad will be reached with the gospel and will take it back to Turkey.

SCRIPTURE The one thing I ask of the Lord—the thing I seek most—is to live in the house of the Lord all the days of my life, delighting in the Lord's perfections and meditating in his Temple. Ps 27:4, NLT

PRAY *for eternal salvation to many from today's people group.*