



Tai Kao in Laos

The Tai Kao or “White” Tai receive their name from the color of their women’s clothing. They live in northern Laos and Vietnam, and most live in villages near a river or stream. They make their living through agriculture, and wet rice is their main crop and source of food. Men and women share the duties of farming, raising children, and cleaning house. The Tai Kao are known for being polite, respectful of others, and hospitable. The Tai Kao mix Buddhism with folk religion. If a son becomes a Buddhist monk, it is an honor for his family.

Ministry Obstacles

The Laotian government does not allow foreign missionaries in the areas where the Tai Kao live. There are no known Christian believers among the Tai Kao of Laos.

Outreach Ideas

Christian believers among the Vietnamese Tai Kao can share the good news with their neighbors in Laos. Chinese followers of Christ can send workers to the White Tai.

Prayer Focus

Ask the Lord of the harvest to send forth laborers into Laos to minister



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POPULATION: 107,000

LANGUAGE: Tai Don

RELIGION: Ethnic Religions

BIBLE: Portions

STATUS: Unreached

to the needs of the White Tai. Ask God to grant wisdom and favor to mission agencies focusing on the White Tai. Ask the Holy Spirit to soften the hearts of the White Tai towards Christ and his work on the cross, so they will be receptive to the gospel.

SCRIPTURE Righteousness and justice are the foundation of your throne; steadfast love and faithfulness go before you. Psalm 89:14

PRAY that today’s people group will seek and find His righteousness and justice. Pray that they will be thankful for His unfailing love.