

Kyanga in Nigeria



There are four subgroups of Kyanga, the people who can be identified by their different facial scars. Many of them are bilingual. They speak their own language, Kyanga, along with the dominant Hausa language. Animism is the belief that everyday inanimate objects, places and animals contain a distinct spiritual essence or form. In the last 70 years Islam has become the main religious affiliation of the Kyanga people, though animism lies beneath the surface of their form of Islam.

Ministry Obstacles

Northwestern Nigeria is heavily populated by Islamists, so reaching the Kyanga people can be difficult because of heavy resistance by Muslims who falsely believe that embracing Christ means rejecting their own people.

Outreach Ideas

Because of the prevalent Muslim environment, medical care centers could be a good way to build bridges of love. Followers of Christ with medical skills can offer their services to Kyanga people.

Prayer Focus

Pray that the few believers will be spiritually comforted in a dark and lonely world. Pray that their spirits will be lit afire for the gospel and they will be



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POPULATION: 23,000

LANGUAGE: Kyanga

RELIGION: Islam

BIBLE: Translation needed

STATUS: Unreached

willing to lose their lives for the sake of Christ. Pray that the Lord will send workers into the harvest field to help build His Church and begin a church planting movement among the Kyanga people. Pray that the Lord will convict the souls of the Kyanga Imams so that they embrace the Savior and encourage others to do the same.

SCRIPTURE I will sprinkle clean water on you, and you will be clean; I will cleanse you from all your impurities and from all your idols. I will give you a new heart and put a new spirit in you; I will remove from you your heart of stone and give you a heart of flesh. Ez 36:25-27

PRAY for this people group to find spiritual cleansing in Jesus Christ.