Kawa in China



he Kawa were once headhunters who sacrificed captive outsiders. That isolated them from the other two related subgroups. All Kawas are farmers and animists. The three groups are Kawa (Wild Wa), Lawa (Tame Wa) and Sinicized Wa. During the 1950s, the Christians among the Tame Wa simply disappeared. These constitute three distinct groups, despite the government's lumping them together as Kawas.

Obstacles

Isolation, ferocity and inter-tribal skirmishes isolate the Wild Kawa. Geography and a closed society prevent evangelization of the middle group. During the 1950s, the Tame Kawas experienced a Christian awakening that disappeared for unknown reasons, thus requiring a fresh evangelistic start. The continued communist distrust of the church is another obstacle. Each group speaks its own language.

Outreach Ideas

There is a need for church growth. Perhaps there are cultural bridges to God that can be discovered. They have a complete Bible translation.



● KAH-wa POPULATION: 93,000 LANGUAGE: Wa, Vo

RELIGION: Ethnic Religions BIBLE: Complete

STATUS: Unreached

Prayer Focus

Pray for use of the Bible translation and for them to find their bridge to God. Pray for the Holy Spirit to awaken interest in the gospel among all three groups.

SCRIPTURE Then he opened their minds to understand the Scriptures ... Luke 24:45

PRAY that the minds of this people group will be opened to understand God's word by the Spirit Himself.

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