

Coong in Vietnam



The Coong people in Vietnam speak both Coong and Thai. They come from Laos originally. They grow cotton, which they use for making mats and baskets. They live in northwestern Vietnam in houses built on stilts along riverbanks to avoid damage from the frequent flooding during the rainy season. They travel in boats. Women have high positions and receive respect in their families. Marriages are monogamous, meaning they are between one man and one woman.

Obstacles

The Coong worship ancestors and practice animism or folk religion. They have no written Bible in their language. They look to evil spirits and the souls of their departed ancestors for help. They fear these spirits and they do not feel at liberty to follow Jesus.

Outreach Ideas

Believers in this area can use personal relationships to share the good news of Jesus. The gospel can be presented both orally and visually.

Prayer Focus

Pray for a “book of Acts” movement for these people through the work of



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POPULATION: 2,800

LANGUAGE: Coong

RELIGION: Ethnic Religions

BIBLE: Translation Needed

STATUS: Unreached

the Holy Spirit. Pray that loving Vietnamese Christians would lead the Coong people to Jesus. Pray that the Lord would create a desire among the Coong people to learn his word. Pray for Coong disciples who will make more disciples.

SCRIPTURE So Philip ran to him and heard him reading Isaiah the prophet and asked, Do you understand what you are reading? Acts 8:30

PRAY that the Lord gives today's people group a desire to hear and to understand God's words.