Soyot in Russia



he Soyot people were once part of a cluster of peoples that eventually split into three groups. One of their chief occupations was reindeer production but were forced into other work in the days of the Soviet Union. Now they are trying to revive that part of their culture since becoming a recognized people group. The Soyot are located in Buryatia, Russia. Their language is close to extinction.

Ministry Obstacles

Although most practice Tibetan Buddhism, they are trying to go back to their shamanistic roots in an effort to revive their dying culture. This is a people that views shamanism as a threatened but important part of their culture. Outside spirituality is not welcome.

Outreach Ideas

Christ's ambassadors can learn the Soyot language and musical style, then take this music to them. Music is the door to the heart!

Pray for the Church:

Pray that God would send Russian, Buryat and Mongolian Christian believers to share the gospel with



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POPULATION: 3,600

LANGUAGE: Tuvan

RELIGION: Buddhism

BIBLE: Complete

STATUS: Unreached

the Soyot people. Pray that the Soyot would experience the power of Jesus Christ over the power of spirits. Ask God to open the hearts of the Soyot to make them receptive to Christ. Ask the Lord to raise up strong local churches among the Soyot.

SCRIPTURE Trust in the Lord with all your heart, and do not lean on your own understanding. In all your ways acknowledge him, and he will make straight your paths. Pro.3.5-6

PRAY Make this your prayer for today's people group.

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