## Murego-Gubden in Russia



he isolated mountain village of Gubden has always been known for its desire to impose Sharia Law. In the early 2000s, the Caucasus Emirate, an umbrella terrorist group who wanted to expel Russian power from the North Caucasus, developed out of Gubden. The Murego speaking people of Gubden and the other 14 villages in the area were placed under the strict military control of Russia. No one in Gubden has joined the militant underground in the past few years. With no government help, they do not have schools or functioning roads, and electricity and medical care are very limited. The people used to live off livestock farming, and they were famous for their fine produce. Currently, Gubden's residents drive trucks full of fruit and vegetables or work in a stone quarry.

## **Ministry Obstacles**

The Murego's fondness for strict Sharia Law indicates they do not realize they need grace from a truly holy God.

## Outreach Ideas

Murego are open to visitors, which gives believers an opportunity to spend time with them and encourage them to listen to radio Bible pograms and answer questions about the Living Lord.



POPULATION: 41,000

LANGUAGE: Dargwa

RELIGION: Islam

BIBLE: Portions

STATUS: Unreached

## **Prayer Focus**

Pray that believers will befriend the Murego and help them to see the hope, healing and new life that are found only by knowing the Living Lord and His son, Jesus Christ. Pray for a series of discovery Bible studies to spread throughout their region.

**SCRIPTURE** Wash yourselves and be clean! Get your sins out of my sight. Give up your evil ways. Learn to do good. Seek justice. Help the oppressed. Defend the cause of orphans. Fight for the rights of widows. "Come now, let's settle this," says the Lord. Is 1:16-17

**PRAY** for this people group to surrender unconditionally to the Lord of lords.