## Nanga Dama Dogon in Mali



he Dogon built their first villages in cliff side caves to protect themselves from nomadic Fulani slave raiders. Isolated and distrustful of outsiders, they grew into a scattering of micro-communities, eventually developing 20 different languages. They cannot understand the tongue of another subgroup. One of their subgroups is the Nanga Dama. The Dogon people live now in a dry, remote savannah area in central Mali, stretching into Burkina Faso.

## **Ministry Obstacles**

Life in the bare rocky cliffs is harsh. It will be difficult for Christ's ambassadors to adapt to their environment.

## **Outreach Ideas**

The Nanga Dama Dogon community knows their religion is not adequate. Perhaps missionaries can demonstrate the power and goodness of the Lord to these people who depend on unclean spirits and a tainted form of Islam.

## **Prayer Focus**

Most Dogon subgroups have a strong gospel witness, but this is lacking among the Nanga Dama. Pray for Dogon believers who will live out their faith and lovingly make disciples. Pray for Holy Spirit led workers to go to the Nanga Dama Dogon people of Mali.



**◀** NAHNG-gha DAH-mah DOH-gon POPULATION: 4,500

LANGUAGE: Dogon, Nanga Dama

**RELIGION: Islam** 

**BIBLE: Translation Needed** 

STATUS: Unreached

Pray for spiritual receptivity and an understanding of their need for a righteous savior. Pray for Nanga Dama Dogon disciples who will make more disciples who will make even more disciples. Pray for the Lord to show himself loving and powerful by providing an abundance for their crops this year.

**SCRIPTURE** Because your steadfast love is better than life, my lips will praise you. Psalm 63:3

PRAY May many from this people group understand this and act upon it.