Batgama in Sri Lanka



civil war raged in Sri Lanka from 1983 to 2009. The Buddhist Sinhala were victorious over the Hindu Tamils in the war that killed hundreds of thousands. As a Sinhala speaking, Buddhist people, the Batgama fought for the Sinhala majority. The traditional occupation of the Batgama is agriculture. Many of the Batgama have become college educated and are among the elites and leaders of Sri Lankan society.

Ministry Obstacles

The Batgama see Buddhism as part of their identity. If any of them look outside of Buddhism for spiritual answers, they will probably be persecuted by their family.

Outreach Ideas

A complete Sinhala Bible has been published. Christian radio programs in Sinhala are available for Batgama who are searching for answers for life issues.

Prayer Focus

A small fraction of Batgama claim to be followers of Jesus Christ. Pray the church would grow as Batgama share their faith with family and friends. Ask the Lord to send Holy



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POPULATION: 388,000

LANGUAGE: Sinhala

RELIGION: Buddhism

BIBLE: Complete

STATUS: Unreached

Spirit anointed workers to the Batgama of Sri Lanka. Pray that Batgama would be led to listen to Sinhala radio programs. Pray that the Lord would raise up pastors who are faithful to the word of God among the Batgama churches. Pray they would make disciples who will make more disciples.

SCRIPTURE On the glorious splendor of your majesty, and on your wondrous works, I will meditate. Psa.145.5

PRAY Meditate on His goodness and splendor! Pray that many from today's people group will do so as well.