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Azeris in Azerbaijan



The homeland of the Azeris was first conquered by the Persians in the sixth century BC. Islam was introduced into the area during the seventh century, AD. Azerbaijani settlements were traditionally divided into villages made up of extended families. In an attempt to protect their culture, marriage within the family was encouraged, often between cousins. Religious practices are less restrictive of women's activities than in some Muslim countries. Many women have jobs outside the home.

Ministry Obstacles

The Azeris have centuries of historical commitment to Islam, not easily changed.

Outreach Ideas

Georgian Christians may be able to carry the gospel message to the Azeris. Gospel radio may also be helpful.

Prayer Focus

Pray that followers of Jesus among the Azeri will faithfully fellowship together, be well-taught in the



POPULATION: 8,738,000

LANGUAGE: North Azerbaijani

RELIGION: Islam

BIBLE: Complete

STATUS: Unreached

Scriptures, and grow to become mature in the Lord. Pray they will be made new in the attitude of their minds. Pray that the Azeris will increasingly be drawn to Jesus (whom Muslims call Isa al-Masih) as they study the Koran, that they will desire to know more about this Man.

SCRIPTURE But no, my people wouldn't listen. Israel did not want me around. So I let them follow their own stubborn desires, living according to their own ideas. Ps 81:11-12

PRAY that this will be the year when this people group stops following their own stubborn desires and begins to follow the Lord.