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# Hausa in Nigeria



The Hausa is the largest ethnic group in Niger, and one of the most influential groups in West Africa. Nearly one out of every two Nigerians is Hausa. The majority have been Sunni Muslim since the 11th century. In addition to Islam, many continue to practice their traditional religion, called Maguzawa, especially in remote locations. Hausa Muslims are known for being hospitable to strangers. In the Hausa language, one word, bako, is used to define both "guest" and "stranger".

## Ministry Obstacles

Long-held traditional beliefs present a challenge to the spread of the gospel among the Hausa. Additionally, the perception that Christianity breaks up families and promotes many social problems is a serious obstacle to Hausa families and communities humbly accepting God's blessing for their families through Jesus.

## Prayer Focus

There are a number of Hausa believers. Pray that they will be trained to engage their families and community in discovering and experiencing God's blessing through



**POPULATION:** 34,783,000

**LANGUAGE:** Hausa

**RELIGION:** Islam

**BIBLE:** Complete

**STATUS:** Unreached

sharing and discussing Bible stories. Pray for Hausa believers to be effective at engaging their families and communities in discussing Bible stories and experiencing God's blessing. Pray for a movement to Jesus to multiply among Hausa families and communities. Pray for spiritual hunger.

**SCRIPTURE** O Lord, you are so good, so ready to forgive, so full of unfailing love for all who ask for your help. Ps 86:5

**PRAY** *Thank the Lord that He is eager to offer love and forgiveness to peoples who turn to Him for help!*