

Rivers in the Desert

*“Behold, I am doing a new thing; now it springs forth, do you not perceive it?
I will make a way in the wilderness and rivers in the desert.*

Isaiah 43:19

Thank you for joining us in prayer! We believe that God’s heart is to bring Arab Bedouins from many places and tribes into the Kingdom of God. We feel that momentum is building for a wonderful breakthrough among the Bedouin and want to pray for a movement among them. A little spring is starting to erupt, we pray for God to bring forth mighty rivers of blessing in the desert areas of the Middle-East.

This guide facilitates a 40-day prayer focus on the Arab Bedouin tribes of the Middle-East and North Africa. The 40 days for this concentrated

prayer mirrors the time that Jesus spent in the desert in prayer and fasting. When this prayer campaign was first held, it coincided with the period of Lent in 2019, and you are encouraged to also do a form of fasting during these 40 days. Prayer combined with fasting is a great way to draw near to God.

This prayer campaign is organized by the Rivers in the Desert Network, created to mobilize prayer for Arab Bedouins and for CPM (Church Planting Movements) work among them. Find current prayer points and more information about the Network on our blog at <https://riversinthedesert2019.wordpress.com>.



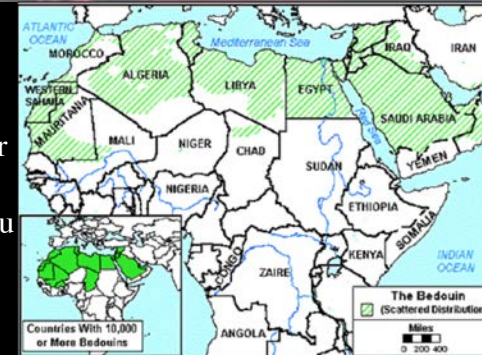
Who are the Arab Bedouin tribes?

The Arab Bedouins live in tight-knit communities, usually a part of the larger tribe to which they belong. The word bedouin comes from the Arab word *bedu* which means desert dweller. Estimates say nomadic Bedouins constitute

about one-tenth of the population in the Middle East.

They are renowned for their loyalty, hospitality and generosity. They are, however, almost completely unexposed to the Gospel. Indeed, for centuries they have been largely ignored, with no witness to Christ amongst them whatsoever. Bedouins are proud Muslims. The first converts to Islam came from the Bedouin tribes living in and around Mecca. Therefore, Islam is embedded and deeply rooted in Bedouin culture.

Many of the Bedouin are illiterate (this is especially true for the women), and their dialect is quite different from the surrounding urban dialects. Bedouins are increasingly exchanging the tent for permanent settlement, due to changing economic and social circumstances in the region.



Source: joshuaproject.net

Please join us for 40 Days of Prayer for the Bedouin Peoples

Hear our prayers

*Answer me when I call, O God of my righteousness!
You have given me relief when I was in distress.
Be gracious to me and hear my prayer!*
Psalm 4:1

Today we start our 40 day prayer campaign for the Arab Bedouins in the Middle-East and North Africa. How we long for many of them to meet in their tents around the Word, be transformed through the spirit and soon worship with us! Let us examine and prepare our hearts, put our hope fully on God's grace, and pray.

Thank you Father for your amazing love. Thank you that you loved us while we were still sinners. Be gracious to us and hear our prayers. I pray that many Bedouins will come to a better understanding of why Jesus died on the cross and find salvation in him.



Source picture://www.youtube.com/watch?v=kSSp_wdb7Aw

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Hospitality

*Behold, I stand at the door and knock.
If anyone hears my voice and opens the door,
I will come in to him and eat with him, and he with me.*
Revelation 3:20

The hospitality of the Bedouin is their most notable attribute. They continue to carry on the tradition of Abraham, who entertained three heavenly angels, as described in Genesis 18. It is a Bedouin's most sacred duty to honor his guest in every way possible. But as welcoming as the Bedouins are to receive guests in their tents, they are reluctant to extend the same openness to Jesus who is standing at the door.

Lord, send people to the Bedouin to be witnesses of Jesus. Open hearts so that the Bedouin will be able to hear his voice and let Jesus into their tents. Raise up many Bedouin fellowships meeting in tents around your Word.



Source: Eric Michael Wight

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The Bedouins of the Negev

*I will not forget you!
I have engraved you on the palms of my hands...*
Isaiah 49:15b-16



Source: Green Olive Tours

The Negev Desert is a huge expanse of land in southern Israel where Bedouins used to roam with their herds of goats. Today these people are no longer nomadic. They live in government constructed townships or in unrecognized villages with no municipal services like water, garbage collection or electricity. These people have the highest crime and infant mortality rates in the country and suffer from unemployment. Pray for more access to clean water and education, especially in the unrecognized villages.

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The Zuwayda Tribe

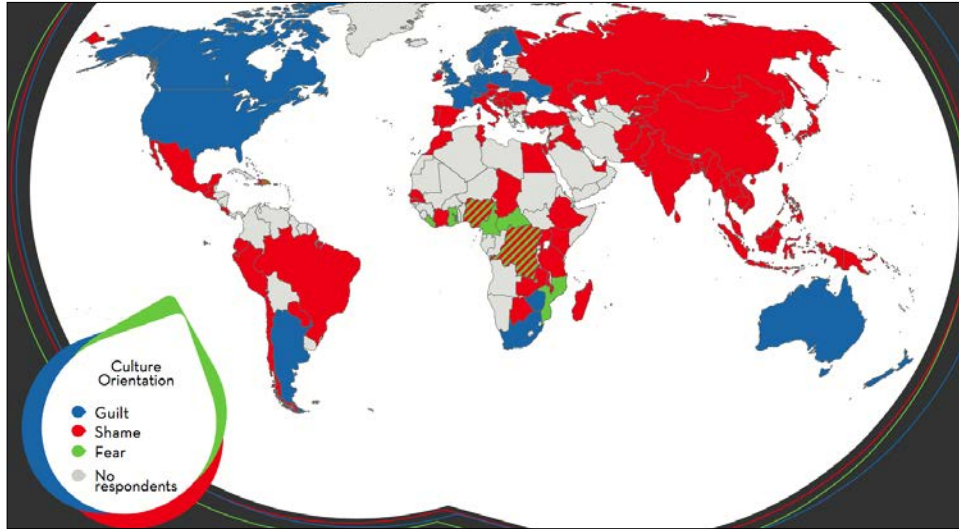
This is the covenant that I will make with them after those days, declares the Lord: I will put my laws on their hearts, and write them on their minds,
Hebrews 10:16

The Zuwayda tribe lives in the rural south of Jordan in the beautiful Wadi Rum area. They are Muslims but used to be a Christian tribe a long time ago. They converted to Islam when they were stricken with poverty and were no longer able to pay the Islamic tax for unbelievers. To this day, they mark their camels with crosses. Pray that the cross may make its way into their hearts again.

Dear Lord, bring the Zuwayda back under your wings again. Put your laws into their hearts and write them on their minds. May they be your people once again, in Jesus name I pray. Amen.

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Honor and Shame



*He raises up the poor from the dust;
he lifts the needy from the ash heap
to make them sit with princes
and inherit a seat of honor.
For the pillars of the earth are the Lord's,
and on them he has set the world.
1 Samuel 2:8*

There are three main worldviews or paradigms impacting how we see the world; guilt-innocence, shame-honor and fear-power. The Bedouin are a shame-honor society, and so this also affects how they understand the Bible. See the links to the short videos from honorshame.com for a helpful illustration of the gospel from a shame-honor perspective.

Pray that the Bedouin will realize that Jesus can clean them of their shame and wants to put them in a position of honor.

<http://honorshame.com/honorshame-101/>
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=DLQmgPT-xOU> (Back to God's village)

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Light of the World



*Again Jesus spoke to them, saying, "I am the light of the world.
Whoever follows me will not walk in darkness,
but will have the light of life."
John 8:12*

Lord, we ask for many followers of you to come from the Bedouin tribes of the Middle East. We ask that their tribes would be plentifully represented in eternity. May they walk boldly in your light, unashamedly proclaiming who you are and how you have saved them.

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The Tarabin Tribe

*And he said to them,
“Follow me, and I will make you fishers of men.”
Matthew 4:19*

The Tarabin are a tribe that lives primarily in the town of Nuweiba and surrounding desert villages. The men work in tourism as desert guides or as fishermen. The women make beautiful jewelry. Pray for more field workers to bring the gospel to this tribe and that a movement towards Jesus will spread through them into Northern Sinai. This is a large tribe that spans across the Sinai Peninsula and into Israel.



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Testimony

*For even the Son of Man came not to be served but to serve,
and to give his life as a ransom for many.
Mark 10:45*

Upon hearing the gospel, a Bedouin man could not get over the fact that God had sacrificed his own son for him. He stood up in front of a group of men and asked how many of them had sons. He exclaimed: “Would you give up your son for me?” He went on to tell them that he had committed a murder and now needed someone to take his place in order to make amends. The other men started shouting, “Don’t give him your son, he’s not worth it!” Some were willing, however, to offer him blood money instead.

After an animated discussion, the man finally explained that he had indeed not committed a murder but wanted to illustrate to them how insane it is that God Almighty gave his own son to pay for the sin of another. This illiterate Bedouin had understood the core message of salvation through listening to an audio Bible. Blood feuds are still normal among Bedouins, and when someone is killed, a ransom needs to be paid.

Father, we praise you that your Word is available in audio format for the many illiterate Bedouin and ask that many more come to see you as the ransom for their sin and shame.

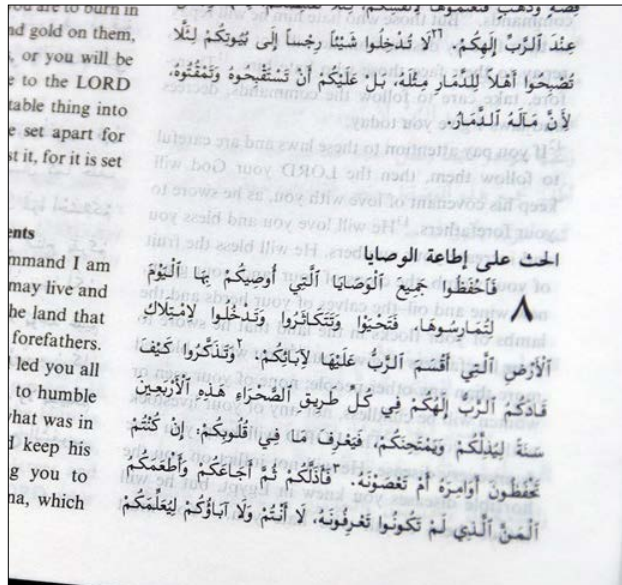
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New Believers

Jesus said:

“As for that in the good soil, they are those who, hearing the word, hold it fast in an honest and good heart, and bear fruit with patience.”

Luke 8:15



Some known Bedouin believers live isolated lives, not integrated into fellowships of other believers. Because the Bedouin live in rural places, discipleship by mature believers from outside their communities is risky and logistically hard. Converts from Islam risk the loss of their job and family, while sometimes facing death threats from family and others.

Lord Jesus, strengthen the new believers to hold fast to your Word, even in the face of persecution, that they may develop godly character. I pray they will bear fruit, producing huge harvests. Give divine knowledge and creativity to those involved who can disciple new believers.

Dreams and Visions

*And it shall come to pass afterward,
that I will pour out my Spirit on all flesh;
your sons and your daughters shall prophesy,
your old men shall dream dreams,
and your young men shall see visions.*

Joel 2:28

Many Muslims throughout the world are being drawn to faith in Christ through dreams and visions, often of a man with a shining face and a shining robe calling to them. Pray that God will give dreams of Christ to the Bedouin tribes scattered throughout the Middle East and visions to draw them to Himself.

The Bekaa Valley

The Lord works righteousness and justice for all who are oppressed.
Psalm 103:6

Over 100,000 Bedouin live in the Bekaa Valley in Lebanon, and the majority don't have citizenship due to not registering when Lebanon gained independence. This now creates problems for health, schooling, work and they feel discrimination from the government.

Lord, we pray for justice for the Bedouin in the Bekaa, may they come to know you as their Savior and defender.



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Folk Islam

*They brought to him many who were oppressed by demons,
and he cast out the spirits with a word and healed all who were sick.*
Matthew 8:16b



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Bedouins believe very strongly in demons called jinn or genie. They believe that demons hide in bathrooms and caves protecting buried treasure. Bedouins will mumble the name of God before entering a tent, a room, a car, etc, and also before eating, drinking or performing any task. This is thought to ward off evil spirits. Bedouins will visit "witch doctors" for many problems, hoping the séances and charms will help them.

Mighty Lord Jesus, I pray that Bedouin may come to their senses and escape from the snares of the devil. Set them free Lord from their captivity to sin and the will of the devil.

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Syria

*May desert tribes bow down before him,
and his enemies lick the dust!*

Psalm 72:9

The Bedouin of Syria are thought to number more than a million. Traditionally nomadic camel and sheep herders, some have retained this lifestyle while many have settled and now lead sedentary or semi-sedentary lives in villages on the edge of the desert. The Bedouin world still revolves around pastoralism. The Syrian war has affected the Bedouin enormously with disruptions to their way of life, and significant shifts in tribal relations and allegiances.

Pray for the emergence of indigenous growing fellowships of Jesus followers amongst the Bedouin of Syria, and that the “desert tribes will bow before Him” and worship.

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Source: onewayministries owm.org

Poetry

*He put a new song in my mouth,
a song of praise to our God.
Many will see and fear and put their trust in the LORD.*

Palam 40:3

Bedouin people have a deep love for poetry which has been passed down through tradition. Historically the poets had an important position in the tribes. Poetry has been a way to recount history and tradition.

Lord, we ask you to equip Bedouin believers in using their style of poetry to develop local worship and praise to the Lord.

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South Sinai

*O God, you are my God;
earnestly I seek you; my soul thirsts for you;
my flesh faints for you,
as in a dry and weary land where there is no water.*
Psalm 63:1

South Sinai is a mountainous desert region with only a few springs of water here and there. The Bedouins have lived in the region for several hundred years and have recently settled into towns because of work prospects. There are at least 7 different tribes. South Sinai is famous for Mount Sinai as well as for the Red Sea coast and lush coral reefs. Pray that fathers will have consistent work to provide for their families and that the tourism industry will grow.



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God the Father

*I will be a father to you,
and you shall be sons and daughters to me,
says the Lord Almighty.*
2 Corinthians 6:18

Heavenly Father, we know that you are a good Father who takes care of your children. May the Arab Bedouins come to know you as a good, good Father, who keeps his promises, protects his children and loves unconditionally.



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Spiritual Blindness

*The god of this age has blinded the minds of unbelievers,
so that they cannot see the light of the gospel that displays the glory of Christ,
who is the image of God.*

2 Corinthians 4:4

Heavenly Father, we pray that you would draw Bedouins to your Son our Lord Jesus Christ. May the light of the Gospel pierce through the darkness and set them free from spiritual blindness. May your truth be unveiled to them so that they would truly know that they are loved by the Father. We pray that many Bedouins will become followers of Jesus who is the light of the world and, in turn, lead their families and friends to know Jesus as their Savior. Amen.



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The Ghayath Tribe

*And he said to him,
“Please, Lord, how can I save Israel?
Behold, my clan is the weakest in Manasseh,
and I am the least in my father’s house.”*

Judges 6:15

The Ghayath tribe live in the north-eastern part of Jordan, close to the Iraqi border. Most of them don't have citizenship, and many are very poor. Due to lack of job opportunities many of the men are involved in the smuggling of drugs, and they are looked down upon by other Bedouins.

Lord we ask that you redeem the Ghayath tribe and use them to bless the other tribes, just like you did Gideon. We ask you to free them from the bondage of drug addiction and smuggling, and that they would instead take the Gospel to unreached places.

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Addiction

No temptation has overtaken you that is not common to man. God is faithful, and he will not let you be tempted beyond your ability, but with the temptation he will also provide the way of escape, that you may be able to endure it.

1 Corinthians 10:13

Because of a lack of employment there are groups of Bedouins who are growing marijuana and opium up in the mountains. This has led to drug addiction, especially among men, many who die as a result. When families have little income and a portion is spent on drugs, it leaves even less for food and basic needs. Families are suffering. Pray that God will break the stronghold of drug addiction in the region.

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Source: Majda Abu Tayyer

Tribalism

After this I looked, and behold, a great multitude that no one could number, from every nation, from all tribes and peoples and languages, standing before the throne and before the Lamb.

Revelation 7:9

Each Bedouin sees himself not as an individual, but as a part of the bigger collective of the tribe. In the tribe, each family member is traditionally bound by obligations of mutual assistance. Because of their strong group culture and need to conform, it is complicated for an individual to start following Jesus within their own tribal context. This may lead to persecution and banishment from the tribe, causing someone to lose most earthly securities.

Heavenly Father, draw not just individuals to yourself, but whole families. That they may start following Jesus within their own tribal context, transforming and redeeming their tribe from within, according to your purposes. Bless those who are persecuted out of their tribes, that they may form a new Jesus tribe.

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The Badia

*Behold, I am doing a new thing;
now it springs forth, do you not perceive it?
I will make a way in the wilderness and rivers in the desert.*
Isaiah 43:19



Source: onewayministries own.org

The Bedouin tribes of Jordan consists of around half a million people living in the rural east and south of the country, known as the Badia area. Many seeds of the Gospel have been sown among them over decades of faithful witness, but few believers are known among. They are hard to reach in far away rural areas.

Lord, let there be a breakthrough among the Bedouin tribes of Jordan, that there may be a movement among them. Send more workers to live and witness amongst them. Bring forth your blessings to the Bedouin like rivers in the desert.

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Baptism

*Peter replied, “Repent and be baptized, every one of you,
in the name of Jesus Christ
for the forgiveness of your sins.
And you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit.”*
Acts 2:38

When a Bedouin gets baptized, he or she is proclaiming that they are followers of Jesus, partaking in his death and resurrection life. It also means that they are walking away from Islam which can lead to problems for them with their families and friends or even to persecution.

Heavenly Father, we pray that you would give Bedouins the courage to be baptized and that you would be with them through whatever they may encounter. May their confession of faith lead many other Bedouins to find Jesus Christ as their Lord and Savior. Amen.

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Bread of Life

*I am the bread of life... This is the bread that comes down from heaven,
so that one may eat of it and not die.*

I am the living bread that came down from heaven.

If anyone eats of this bread, he will live forever.

And the bread that I will give for the life of the world is my flesh.

John 6:48-51

Bedouin women make bread every day. Pray that they would hunger for Jesus who is the true bread of life. May they recognize that their daily bread comes from a good Heavenly Father and may the Kingdom of God spread like leaven through all the tribes.

The Jabelaya Tribe

*And the LORD will guide you continually and satisfy your desire in scorched
places and make your bones strong; and you shall be like a watered garden,
like a spring of water, whose waters do not fail.*

Isaiah 58:11

The Jabelaya are a tribe that lives in the mountains and wadis surrounding Mt. Sinai, in and around the village of St. Katherine. The men primarily work in tourism as hiking guides and the women do beautiful beading and embroidery. As tourism has decreased, ask for more work opportunities for families and adequate health care. Pray that they will have the opportunity to hear God's Word.



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Poverty

*Open your mouth for the mute,
for the rights of all who are destitute.
Open your mouth, judge righteously,
defend the rights of the poor and needy.*
Proverbs 31:8-9

Many Bedouins live in cases of extreme poverty. Some families live on less than three dollars a day. Lord, we pray that you would meet their needs and that they would see your provision in their lives. May they know you care for them and see their need, and that your love for them is everlasting.



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Source: ich.unesco.org

Church Planting Movements

*The churches of Asia send you greetings.
Aquila and Prisca, together with the church in their house,
send you hearty greetings in the Lord.*
1 Corinthians 16:19

Church Planting Movements is defined by David Garrison as rapidly multiplying indigenous churches planting churches sweeping across a people group or a segment of the population.

Lord, we pray for movements to sweep across all the Bedouin tribes across North-Africa and the Middle East, expanding the Kingdom and seeing transformation in their communities.

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Bedouin Men

*And he will turn the hearts of fathers to their children
and the hearts of children to their fathers*
Malachi 4:6a

There are many dysfunctional families among the Bedouin. Poverty, polygamy, patriarchy, and a lack of education all contribute to a culture where it is easy for men to take advantage of women. Raising the children is a task for the mothers and a lot of women are running the home alone. Bedouin women seem to be more receptive to the Gospel than the men. Pray that the Kingdom of God will manifest itself in many families, with men becoming fathers and husbands according to God's purposes.

Lord, transform families and raise up a generation of Bedouin men loving your Word and applying it in their own families. Raise up godly fathers, husbands and sons, who will shine your light around them.



Source: Hadas Parush Flash90

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Coals on Your Head

*If your enemy is hungry,
feed him;
if he is thirsty,
give him something to drink;
for by so doing you will heap burning coals on his head.*
Romans 12:20b

In Biblical times, people needed to keep the hearth fire going all the time in order to insure fire for cooking and warmth. If it went out, they had to go to a neighbor for some live coals of fire. These coals would be carried on the head in a container, back home. Heaping coals on one's head means to meet a desperate need, showing outstanding kindness and hospitality. Bedouins understand this and would always give coals to someone in need, even to their enemy.

Lord I pray that you will lead many Bedouin to not just extend the required hospitality, but that you stir a genuine love in them for their enemies.

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The Good Shepherd

*Jesus said:
“I am the good shepherd.
The good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep.”
John 10:14*

Bedouin are traditionally shepherds, they have camels, goats or sheep. Though the majority now have moved to permanent housing, many still keep a small flock of goats or sheep.

Heavenly Father, we ask that the Bedouin across the Middle East will come to know Jesus as the Good Shepherd who laid down his life for them, that they will learn to know his voice and follow him.



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Persons of Peace

*Jesus said:
“Whatever house you enter, first say, ‘Peace be to this house!’
And if a son of peace is there, your peace will rest upon him.”
Luke 10:5-6*

Without Bedouins gathering others in their tents to hear the good news, a movement of believers will not happen. We believe God is preparing the hearts of strategic men and women in every village and among every tribe, drawing them unto him.

Lord of the harvest, will you guide the steps of your children and lead them to those whom you are preparing. Set up divine appointments, work through dreams and miracles, signs and wonders, and raise up persons of peace whom will open up their tent, family and tribe to you.



Source: Tanenhaus Brooklyn

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North Sinai

*The Lord is near to the brokenhearted
and saves those who are crushed in spirit.*

Psalm 34:18

You may hear about North Sinai in the news as a haven for terrorists and where the persecution of Christians is commonplace. But there are also many Bedouin tribes seeking to live a peaceful life in the land. There are currently no known field workers in the region, in part due to the military prohibiting foreigners from entering.

Pray for peace and hope to return to North Sinai, that the region will open for workers and that God will reveal himself to the people there in supernatural ways.

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Polygamy

*Therefore a man shall leave his father and mother
and hold fast to his wife,
and the two shall become one flesh.*

Ephesians 5:31

The Quran gives Muslim men the right to have more than one wife and each wife should be treated equally. However, many times the women are not treated equally or shown the love and value they deserve.

Pray that God will lead Muslim men to receive Jesus the Messiah as their Savior. May those who have more than one wife, treat them lovingly and respectfully and may the Lord help those with one wife to hold fast to her and treasure her in the way the Lord desires.

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Laborers Are Few

*Then he said to his disciples,
“The harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few;
therefore pray earnestly to the Lord of the harvest
to send out laborers into his harvest.”
Matthew 9:37-38*



Father, we ask that you would send out more workers amongst the Bedouin peoples in the Middle East. Work in the hearts of your people to move them to love these tribes and see Christ declared and followed in their midst.

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Reconciliation Over Revenge

*All this is from God,
who through Christ reconciled us to himself
and gave us the ministry of reconciliation.
2 Corinthians 5:18*

Bedouins mainly function within a shame and honor culture. In such a culture, it is often especially difficult to set aside one's own honor and be forgiving rather than vengeful. Pray that God would teach them to reconcile with each other and that they would experience reconciliation with God Himself.

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The Word

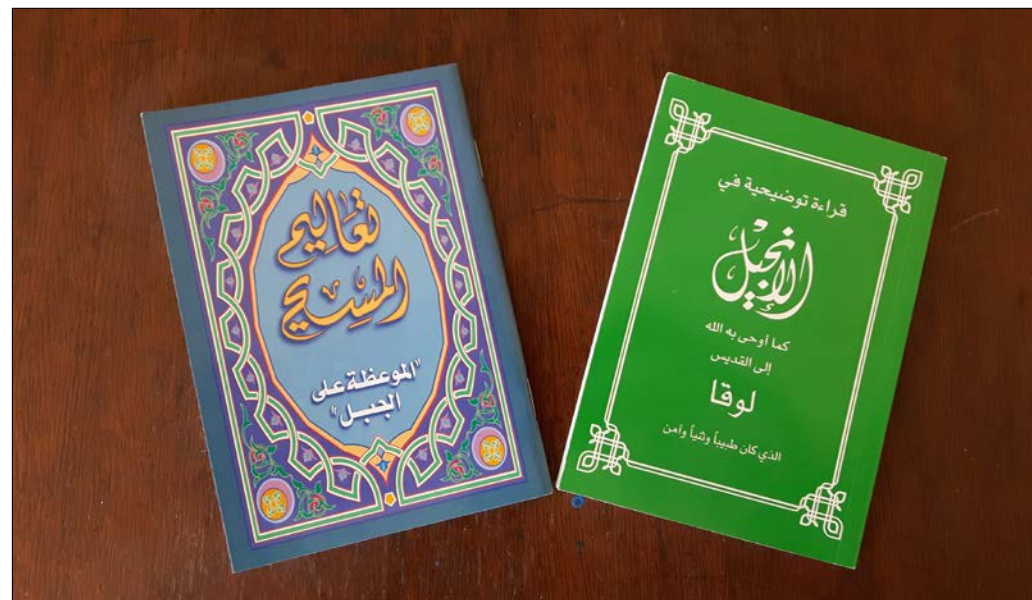
*For the word of God is alive and active.
Sharper than any double-edged sword,
it penetrates even to dividing soul and spirit,
joints and marrow;
it judges the thoughts and attitudes of the heart.*
Hebrews 4:12

Father, we ask that your Word would be read in the homes of Bedouins. We pray that they would receive your Scriptures with open hands and hearts, that your living Word would affect them deeply and call them to relationship with you.

The Muzeina Tribe

*For I was hungry, and you gave me food.
I was thirsty, and you gave me drink.
I was a stranger and you welcomed me.*
Matthew 25:35

The Muzeina tribe are the largest in South Sinai with families represented in most of the towns and villages. They are a generous people always ready to invite friends and strangers alike in for tea or a meal. Pray that they will have open hearts to the Lord and that He will reveal himself to them through His word and through dreams and visions. May He draw many Muzeina to himself and to salvation in Jesus Christ.





Source: onewayministries owm.org

Tribal Elders

Remember the days of old, consider the years of many generations; ask your father, and he will show you, your elders, and they will tell you.

Deuteronomy 32:7

Tribal identity is very important among the Bedouin and seems to be one of the things keeping them from entering the Kingdom. Fear of losing their belonging and identity in the tribe is a big factor for many.

Lord, we pray for elders and heads of households in the tribes to come to faith so that they can lead many more into the Kingdom. We pray for the elders to lead lives of integrity and to care for their people with wisdom, justice and love.

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Arabian Peninsula Bedouin

So I will show my greatness and my holiness and make myself known in the eyes of many nations. Then they will know that I am the Lord.

Ezekiel 38:23

The Arabian Peninsula Bedouin are no longer moving their tents and herds of camels with the rain. Almost all have moved into some sort of fixed building, often with government help. Some have moved to the big cities and only go back 'home' during Eid festivals or weddings or to visit a sick relative. Others go out almost every weekend and are still attached to their desert lifestyle and herds of camels. Most have a Sudanese or Pakistani to shepherd their camels.



Only a few cross-cultural workers are living in close proximity with the Bedouin communities throughout the Gulf - neither their city neighborhoods or out in the thousands of villages.

Father, we ask you to bless the Bedouin in the Arabian Peninsula, and for more workers to move into their neighborhoods as a witness. Show your greatness and holiness to these Bedouin tribes, and make yourself known to them, so that they will know that you are Lord. We then ask that they will go back to their villages as ambassadors for your Kingdom.

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The Mystery of the Cross

*Then Jesus, calling out with a loud voice, said,
“Father, into your hands I commit my spirit!”
And having said this he breathed his last.
Luke 23:45*

Bedouins will often point out just how much Muslims and Christians have in common. But the greatest stumbling block remains the cross. God’s divine plan of salvation to bring life through death, glory through humiliation, and victory through utter defeat is a notion that is alien to Muslim Bedouins. And yet, this wonderful truth has the power to transform their current and future destinies.

My dear Lord Jesus, thank you for the cross! Thank you for the price you paid, bearing all of our sin and shame. Dear Lord Jesus, lift the veil of spiritual darkness over the Bedouin. Let them see, hear and understand the mystery of the cross. So that they may turn to you, freely enter into your presence, and receive your healing, joy and peace. In your mighty name I pray. Amen.

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Source: onewayministries owm.org

God’s Timing

*And this is the confidence that we have toward him,
that if we ask anything according to his will he hears us.
1 John 5:14*

This is the last day of our 40 days of prayer for the Arab Bedouin tribes. Thank you for praying with us, interceding for a breakthrough among these wonderful people! We hope to see a spiritual harvest among them soon. But all in God’s timing. He is faithful, and we are often very impatient. But his timing is perfect. You are invited to keep interceding with us in the future, you can do that by visiting our blog on riversinthedesert2019.wordpress.com. God hears our prayers, and the season of harvest will come for the Bedouins. In the meantime, let us not grow weary of doing good, let us not give up.

Lord, bring a huge harvest among the Bedouin! Stir up movements for Jesus in many places and tribes. Make a way in the wilderness and rivers in the desert. Help us to keep up our prayers for the Bedouin. Help those who minister and live among them to faithfully continue to be witnesses of the good news among them. In Jesus mighty name we pray. Amen.

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