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ASIA CENTRAL KHMER PEOPLE

*“Devote yourselves to prayer,
being watchful and thankful.”*

Colossians 4:2

PRAYER POINTS

- Ask the Lord to call people to Vietnam to share Christ with the Central Khmer people.
- Pray that God will use the few Central Khmer believers to share the Gospel with their own people.
- Pray for the Holy Spirit to draw the Central Khmer to Jesus rather than to Buddhism, ancestor and spirit worship.

STATISTICS

Population	1,284,000	Largest Religion - Buddhism
Christian	3.00%	84.00%
Evangelical	1.60%	Main Language - Khmer, Central

- The majority of the Central Khmer in Vietnam are Buddhist. However, relics of ethnic religions such as ancestor worship (praying to deceased ancestors for guidance) and spirit worship are still important.

- They seek the middle path to nirvana, or ultimate peace through gaining "merit" in this life by supporting the construction of Buddhist temples, giving food to monks, and studying in the monastery. Peasant boys often became monks in order to gain an education in the monasteries.

- The Central Khmer need emotional healing from the horrors of war. This will only come when they meet Jesus, the Prince of Peace. Christian laborers, additional evangelistic tools, and intercession for the Central Khmer are all desperately needed.



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