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ASIA BURMESE of THAILAND

"All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Go...make disciples of all nations...baptizing them...teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you." Matthew 28:18-20

PRAYER POINTS

- Pray that the Lord will call people who are willing to go to Thailand and share the love of Christ with the Burmese.
- Ask God to raise up prayer teams who will faithfully intercede for these precious people.
- Ask the Holy Spirit to soften the hearts of the Burmese towards Christians so that they will be receptive to the Gospel.
- ~ Pray that strong local churches will be raised up among the Burmese of Thailand.

BURMESE of THAILAND

STATISTICS

Population 203,000

Christian 0.40%

Evangelical 0.10%

Largest Religion - Buddhism 88.60%

Main Language - Burmese

The Burmese are originally from the hills of Tibet in western China. Today, they live in Myanmar (formerly Burma) and in the Tanen Mountains and valleys of northwestern Thailand. They are predominantly Hinayana Buddhists seeking the middle path to Nirvana, or ultimate peace.

The Burmese have mixed Buddhist beliefs with their own animistic beliefs (belief that non-living objects have spirits).

The Burmese believe that death is not a threat to one who has done good deeds. Instead, death is simply a "passing" from one life to another. They believe that those with less merit are re-born as demons, ghosts, animals, or inhabitants of hell.





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