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BAKHTIARI PEOPLE PERSIAN GULF

*"Be exalted, O God,
above the heavens;
let your glory be over all the earth."
Psalm 57:11*

PRAYER POINTS

- ~ Pray for the Lord to prepare global workers to reach the unreached Bakhtiari people.
- ~ Pray the Lord will see Jesus (whom Muslims call Isa al-Masih) even as they study the Qu'ran.
- ~ Pray that the Bible will be made available in the Bakhtiari language.

BAKHTIARI PEOPLE OF IRAN

STATISTICS

Population 1,218,000

Christian 0.00%

Evangelical - 0.00%

Largest Religion - Islam - 100.00%

Main Language - Bakhtiari

The Bakhtiaris became Shia Muslims after Arabs invaded Iran almost 1400 years ago.

Many Bakhtiari people still live in black goat hair tents & are nomads. About half of the men retain their traditional lifestyle of shepherding. For women, carpet-weaving & homemaking fill their days.

Iran is hostile to Christian testimony & direct access to the Bakhtiari people is difficult. Gospel recordings & the Jesus film are available in the Bakhtiari language. Perhaps Persian Christians will be able to carry these resources to the Bakhtiari people.



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