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FEBRUARY 2021 ARUNTHATHIYAR (aroon-DAH-dee-yur) SOUTH ASIA

"Look to the Lord and his strength; seek his face always." 1 Chronicles 16:11

## **PRAYER POINTS**

~ Pray for laborers to bring the gospel through education.

~ Pray against deception that the deity Matamma will protect them.

~ Pray the Holy Spirit will overpower the disillusionment of religious practice, and reveal Jesus among the Arunthathiyar.

## ARUNTHATHIYAR SOUTH ASIA

## STATISTICS

Population - 1,020,000

Religion - Hinduism- 99.98% Main Language - Tamil

The Arunthathiyar are Hindus & worship the community deity called Matamma. They are known to adorn their bodies with tattoo designs.

The majority of the Arunthathiyar are treated as untouchable & have separate wells & burial grounds.

Literacy rate is only 15%. Education is desperately needed.





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