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The Avar are one of the largest native people groups living in Dagestan, located within the Caucasus Mountain region. T hey are very devoted to traditional family values. The basic unit of Avar society is the village community. A village assem bly and a council of elders govern the community. Sunni Islam has been the prevailing religion of the Avar since the 13th century. Between the 5th and 12th centuries, Georgian Orthodox Christianity was introduced to the Avar. However, the i nfluence of Islam was more lasting, and today the Avar are almost completely Muslim. They hold fast to their religion, an d tradition seems to keep them from being receptive to the Gospel.

Ministry Obstacles

The Caucasus region is difficult to enter for geographical reasons, and the peoples of the region are quite insular.

Outreach Ideas

Portions of scripture are available in the Avar language, as well as other communication tools such as the Jesus film and Gospel recordings. Workers are needed to take these into the difficult Caucasus region.

Pray for the followers of Christ

There may be a few Christian believers among the Avar. Pray they will be accurately taught the ways of Christ, resting f ully in the finished work of Christ on the cross, and trusting His Spirit for an abundant life.

Pray for the entire people group

Pray for peace in the Caucasus region and especially between Muslims and Christians. Pray that Christianity will be see n as a relationship with Christ rather than as political or cultural in nature.

Scripture Focus

"All the ends of the earth will remember and turn to the Lord, and all the families of the nations will worship before You." Psalm 22:27