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Bajau, West Coast of Brunei

The Bajau have traditionally been known as sea-nomads, involved in extensive maritime trading and dwelling in boats. However, the great majority of Bajau are now sedentary house dwellers and have adopted an agrarian way of life. In many ways the Bajau are a very individualistic people, but the shared identity of Islam creates a powerful unifying bond among them. Traditional beliefs (spiritism) interact in complex ways with Islamic beliefs (the more recent system). Most people subscribe to a variety of both traditional and more current beliefs, and it is difficult if not impossible to separate them. Various superstitious beliefs from former times still have some prevalence among the West Coast Bajau.

Ministry Obstacles

The worldview and religion of the Bajau is tightly bound to their self-identity, making change quite unlikely for most individuals.

Outreach Ideas

Pray that Christians of Malaysia and Indonesia may develop an interest in the Bajau people of Brunei, and will find ways to minister to their needs.

Pray for the followers of Christ

There is an indication there may be a few followers of Christ among the Bajau people. They very much need our prayers. May the Lord send someone to help them become firmly established in the faith.

Pray for the entire people group

Pray the Bajau people will be set free from superstition - fear of going out at night, and fear of ghoulish creatures that seek to eat babies or the flesh of recently deceased people.

Scripture Focus

"I will praise you, O Lord, among the nations; I will sing of you among the peoples." Psalm 108:3