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The Bobo are far from homogeneous. They are an ancient aggregation of several peoples who have assembled around a number of core clans that do not preserve any oral traditions of immigration into the area. The Bobo have lived in the region for centuries, with some estimates dating back to 800 A.D. They are an inherently decentralized group of people. The concept of placing political power in the hands of an individual is foreign to the Bobo. The Bobo lineage comprises the people who live in a common house. As among other peoples in Burkina, each clan has a totem, so that when a Bobo introduces himself he gives his given name, then his clan name, followed by the totem he respects.

Ministry Obstacles

The Bobo Madare people have been Muslim for generations. Change is usually difficult, and there are spiritual forces involved as well.

Outreach Ideas

Pray some of the many evangelical Christians in Burkina Faso will be given a burden to reach the Bobo people with the message of Christ. Scripture is available in the Bobo language.

Pray for the followers of Christ

There may be a handful of Christians among the Bobo Madare people. Pray for these and others who will soon join their numbers, that they will be joyful in hope, patient in affliction, and faithful in prayer.

Pray for the entire people group

Pray the Bobo people will have ample supplies of clean water, and will be able to care for their families well. Pray for good yields for their crops.

Scripture Focus

"For from the rising of the sun, even to its setting, My name will be great among the nations ... says the Lord of hosts." Malachi 1:11