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Most of the Dakpa are farmers. Their principal crops include corn, barley, and beets. They work long hours in the fields in order to produce enough to feed their families. Other important activities include herding yaks and sheep. Since only about 3% of the land in Bhutan is available for farming, the fields are often built in terraces up the mountain sides. The most distinctive part of the Dakpa outfit is the unique felt hat. The hats are flat felt discs made from yak hair. Each hat has five tail-like "spouts" that allow water to drain and the head to stay dry. The Dakpa are virtually 100% Buddhist, following the "Red Hat" sect of Tibetan Buddhism. In addition, traditional Tibetan shamanism is practiced by some. The Dakpa remain isolated and resistant to the Gospel.

Ministry Obstacles

Geographic isolation makes access to the Dakpa difficult, and the country of Bhutan does not welcome Christian witness.

Outreach Ideas

Translation of scripture into the Brokpake language is needed, as well as Gospel recordings. Pray for funds and workers.

Pray for the followers of Christ

There are a few followers of Christ among the Dakpa. Pray they will grow in their faith. Pray they will desire to share the good news of Christ with family and friends, not being unduly timid. Pray that scripture will soon become available in their language.

Pray for the entire people group

Pray these Buddhist peoples may be given the gift of awareness of sin, and the need for a Savior. Pray their hearts will be prepared when the good news of Christ comes to them.

Scripture Focus

"How beautiful on the mountains are the feet of those who bring good news, who proclaim peace, who bring good tidings, who proclaim salvation, who say to Zion, 'Your God reigns!'" Isaiah 52:7