## **Nation of Focus: Kyrgyzstan**



Continent: Asia Population: 6,018,789

Major People Groups: 71% Kirghiz; 14% Uzbek;

7% Russian; 1% Dungan (Hui, Huizui); 1% Uighur Religion: Muslim 87%,

Agnostic 6%, Christian 4%, Atheist 1%

Language: Kyrgyz, Uzbek, Russian, Dungan, Uyghur

GDP Per Capita: \$4,700 UNREACHED PEOPLE GROUPS: 93.3%

#### PRAYER POINTS

- Pray for people to find hope in Yeshua rather than the government.
- Pray for maturity in faith and strength to stand strong against evil.
- Pray for courage for cultural Muslims who are open to Yeshua but frightened by potential persecution.
- Prayer they would have a heart for the Jewish People and Israel.

#### **SUMMARY**

Kyrgyzstan is nestled in the Tien Shan mountain range of Central Asia, bordered by China, Kazakhstan, Tajikistan, and Uzbekistan.

Kyrgyzstan gained independence from the USSR in 1991, but the new government was characterized by further corruption and heavy-handedness. Deep ethnic, political, and communal divisions have also led to instability and violence. The first two post-Soviet presidents were ousted from power, revealing the people's widespread disillusionment with the government. Kyrgyzstan celebrated their first peaceful transfer of presidential power in 2011. But corruption, ethnic divisions, border security concerns, and the threat of terrorism continue to inhibit positive and lasting change. High unemployment and widespread poverty have forced hundreds of thousands to seek work in Russia and Kazakhstan. Many rural citizens have moved to Kyrgyzstan's cities in search of better economic opportunities, which has created a growing population of slum-dwellers. High rates of alcoholism, drug trafficking, gambling, and prostitution have only magnified the nation's suffering.

A primarily Muslim nation (89%), Kyrgyzstan's cultural identity is tightly associated with its Islamic faith. Yet many continue to practice ancestor worship. The Occult, demonic forces, and shamans also hold many in further bondage. Christianity is claimed by only about 5%, the majority being Orthodox. The Christian faith saw great growth after Communism. Hundreds of Protestant congregations now exist, as well as many unregistered house churches. Kyrgyz Muslims are often resistant to the Gospel, even intimidating believers through property destruction and physical violence. But the prevalent needs of the poor, disabled, and elderly provide an open door for the believers to manifest the love of Yeshua to "the least of these."





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## IF YOU LOVE ME

Rabbi Jacob Rosenberg PhD

We are commanded to "Love the Lord our God", but what does it mean to Love God? We Love God for what He has done, but how do we show Him?

John 14:1-6

John 14:7-11

John 14:12-15

John 14:16-21

John 14:22-27

John 15:9-17

# **Sermon Questions**

#### Read John 14:1-6; Eph 2:18; Heb 10:20

• What does it mean that Yeshua us the way, the truth, and the life?

#### Read John 14:7-11; John 1:14; 12:45; Col 1:15; Heb 1:3

Who does Yeshua say He is? What does the Father look like?

#### Read John 14:12-15

- · What are the some of the effects of believing in Yeshua?
- · If we ask for something how should we do it?
- How do we show God's love to back Him?

#### Read John 14:16-21; Rom 8:26; 1 John 2:1; 1 John 5:3; 2 John 6

- · What is the role of the Holy Spirit?
- How does God show us His Love? How is he revealed?

## Read John 14:22-27; Rev 3:20

- If we Love God where does he build him home?
- Where does God peace come from?

#### Read John 15:9-17

· Why is Yeshua telling us these things?

# **Upcoming Events**

# Adat Family Picnic July 23rd

Bring a side to share. Adat will provide burgers, hotdogs and water. Flyers in back with more information.

#### **Adat Youth**

Fellowship after service Today

## **Summer of Music**

**Today** Lord of the Strings with Jessie Hudson Mai El Moughayar and Liam Colbert

## Muslim Evangelism

The Al-Ma'idah Initiative August 5th Sign up in back for the meal

New Calendars and Holiday Post Cards Coming Soon

## **Our Mission**

To Be and Make Disciples of Yeshua the Messiah

## **Our Values**

Love God Love People Pursue Excellence Eager to Grow

## **Our Distinctions**

To the Jewish people First And Also the Nations The Biblical Calendar The Bible as One-Story

## **Torah Portion**

## Mattot/Massei

Numbers 30:1-36:13

### **Our Readings**

Numbers 32:7-11 Jeremiah 2:5-13 James 4:1-10



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