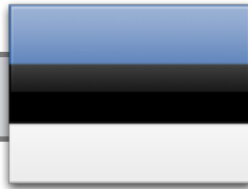


Estonia



Continent: Europe Capital City: Tallinn

Government: Parliamentary republic

Population: 1,220,042 Major People Groups: 53% Northern Estonian; 26%

Russian; 11% Southern Estonian; 4% Estonian (Estlased); 3% Ukrainian

Religion: Agnostic 59%, Christian 36%, Atheist 4% Language: Estonian, Russian, Ukrainian, Belarusian, Finnish GDP Per Capita: \$35,600 Literacy Rate: 99.8%

PRAYER POINTS

- Pray for the truth of God's Word to be established in a land inundated by a wide array of religious ideas.
- Pray for Spirit-filled believers to witness to a cynical population.
- Pray for wise officials to stand firm on Biblical foundations during the transition to a more Western economy.
- Prayer these nations would have a heart for the Jewish People and Israel.

SUMMARY

Estonia's identity and history are beautifully signified through the colors of its blue, black, and white striped flag. The blue stands for devotion, faith, and loyalty, while the black represents the country's dark past and immense suffering. The white symbolizes a desire to aim for higher understanding and character, in addition to signifying the birch trees and snow that characterize this northern Baltic nation's beautiful landscape. Enduring a long history of occupation and oppression, Estonia now boasts one of the most successful economies of the post-Soviet nations.

Long dominated by surrounding nations, Estonia has seen its share of invasion, occupation, and violence. After a relatively short independence (1918-1940), it was invaded by the Soviet Union. Deportation and murder of many Estonians during this occupation left a bitter animosity towards Russians that remains to this day. As of 2013, about 70% of the population is Estonian while 20% is Russian, brought into the country during the occupation. In 1991 Estonia gained independence and shifted from communism to a democratic parliament. Estonia has shale-oil reserves, which it uses for producing energy, making it the leading energy producer for much of Latvia and northwest Russia.

With a history of severe persecution of all faiths between 1940-1988, 54% of Estonians now claim to be non-religious. Secularism and pluralism maintain a tight hold. Many are even being drawn to pagan religions, as well as marginal Christian sects such as Mormonism. A religiously open door in Estonia has made this nation susceptible to many false teachings, while also opening up vast opportunities for the Gospel to penetrate a spiritually devastated land. For many of the 45% of Christian Estonians, their faith holds little meaning in their daily life, and their understanding of the Gospel is limited. Re-evangelization is desperately needed. Seminaries and Bible Schools throughout the nation are working to raise up Christian leaders with a deeper understanding of the Gospel.

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HYPOCRITE LOVE

Rabbi Jacob Rosenberg PhD

We are commanded to “Love the Lord our God”, but what does it mean to Love God? Yeshua asked the question, what if we love to be seen?

Matthew 6:1-15

Matthew 6:16-24

Matthew 6:25-34

Sermon Questions

Read Matthew 6:1-15

- Why do we not need to practice righteousness in front of God.
- Why is it hypocritical to pray to get noticed?
- How should we Pray? What are the categories we can pull from this passage? Do you pray this way? Why or why not?

Read Matthew 6:16-24

- Why is it hypocritical to fast with a noticeable appearance?
- Where should our treasure be stored? Why?

Read Matthew 5:23-34

- What about your life causes you anxiety?
- Why does the world (the nations) worry about these things?

Go back through the whole chapter and list God takes care of us.
 How does God reward us?
 What is better, being noticed by people or God?
 What is the result of each one?

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Shavuot Service

Thursday May 25th 7:00pm

Ministry Fair

June 3rd

Messiah Conference

July 2-8 2023

Adat Family Picnic TBD

Summer of Music

<https://adathatikvah.org/summer-of-music>

Muslim Evangelism

The Al-Ma'idah Initiative
 August 5th

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Love God
 Love People
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 Eager to Grow

Our Distinctions

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

Torah Portion

Behar-Bechukotai
 Lev. 25:1-27:34

Our Readings

Lev 25:54-26:2
 Jeremiah 32:16-22
 Luke 4:16-21



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