

Nation of Focus: Serbia



Continent: Europe

Capital City: Belgrade

Government: Parliamentary republic Population:

6,974,289

Major People Groups: 82% Serb; 5% Hungarian; 2% Bosniac (Muslimani);

1% Croat; 1% Kosovar (Gheg Albanian) Religion: Christian 90%, Muslim

7%, Agnostic 3% Language: Serbian, Hungarian, Romany, Bosnian,

Croatian GDP Per Capita: \$18,200

PRAYER POINTS

- Pray for revival instead of empty traditions
- Pray for strong believers among the many humanitarian aid groups.
- Pray for healing from centuries-long ethnic and religious hatred.
- Prayer Lao would have a heart for the Jewish People and Israel.

SUMMARY

Captured sixty times and destroyed thirty-eight times, Serbia's beautiful capital city Belgrade exemplifies the war and civil unrest that the Balkan peninsula has undergone over the past two millennia. A landlocked nation within the Balkan state, Serbia also includes two autonomous provinces: Vojvodina and Kosovo. Serbia's geography consists of flatlands in the north, forested hills in the middle, and mountains in the south, with the Danube River passing through the capital city of Belgrade.

Forty-five years of Communism, inclusion in Yugoslavia, and the devastating Balkan wars that followed have all left Serbia with a bitter legacy and a desperate economy. The recent global economic crisis and the effects of war have led to high unemployment rates. A past littered with what most of the world perceives as ethno-religious hatred and cleansing haunts Serbia even today.

For most Serbians, ethnicity and religion go hand-in-hand. Primarily Orthodox (73%), 80% of the population claim Christianity. Over half of these would see their faith as cultural and part of their ethnic identity, leading to rampant nominalism. The Serbian Orthodox Church has suppressed other churches, often in totalitarian fashion. Non-Serbian Orthodox churches are increasingly attacked, Muslim/Christian relations remain tense, and hostility against Jehovah's Witnesses and Seventh-day Adventists is also prevalent. Protestantism has had a history of influence on Hungarian and Slovak minorities, but its impact on Serbs has been minimal, with only about half of the local believers being ethnically Serbs. But despite deep divisions within the faith community and difficult cultural hurdles, a tiny but growing body of evangelical believers is attempting to overcome ethnic division by worshipping together in unity.

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SITTING LOVE

Rabbi Jacob Rosenberg PhD

We are commanded to “Love the Lord our God”, but what does it mean to Love God? What made Yeshua weep? Should we be concerned with the same things?

John 11:1-17

John 11:18-27

John 11:28-37

John 11:38-46

Sermon Questions

Read John 11:1-17

- Why does Yeshua stay longer?
- How does Yeshua know that Lazarus will and eventually does die?

Read John 6:35; 8:12; 9:5; 10:7; 10:11; 11:18-27; 14:6; 15:1; Rev 1:8,17

- What do the “I AM” statements mean about Yeshua?
- What does Yeshua claim by calling himself the resurrection?
- What does Mary claim about Yeshua?

Read John 11:28-37

- If Yeshua weeps, Is weeping ok?
- What reasons would Yeshua weep?
- Where do you go to to solve the human condition sin, death, chaos?

Read John 11:38-46

- Why does Yeshua pray out-loud?
- Why did the people believe Him?

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Upcoming Events

Messiah Conference

July 2-8 2023

Adat Family Picnic

July 23rd

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

Summer of Music

Today

Alats: Kids Dance Troup with Sign of the Dove Dance

Muslim Evangelism

The Al-Ma'idah Initiative
August 5th

Sign up in back for the meal

New Calendars and Holiday Schedule 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

Pinchas “Phineas”

Numbers 25:10-30

Our Readings

Numbers 25:10-13
Jeremiah 1:9-16, 2:1-3
Acts 3:18-26



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