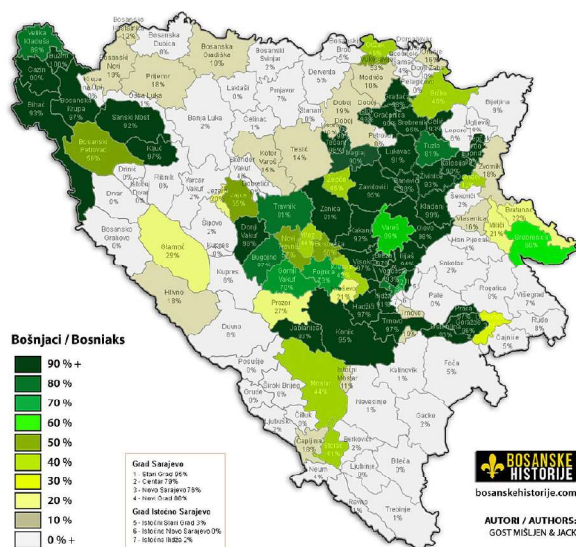


You have the opportunity to impact the Turkey/Balkans. Are you up for the challenge?

Bosniaks



*"It is **too small a thing** for you to be my servant to restore the tribes of Jacob and bring back those of Israel I have kept. I will also make you a light for the **nations**, that my salvation may **reach to the ends of the earth.**"*
— Isaiah 49:6—



There are around two million Bosniaks living in the Balkans today. The largest number of Bosniaks outside of Bosnia and Herzegovina is found in the Sandzak region of Montenegro and Serbia. There is also a smaller autochthonous population present in Croatia, Kosovo, Slovenia and Macedonia.

Most Bosniaks are Sunni Muslim, although historically Sufism has also played a significant role among them. For many Bosniaks, Islamic identity has more to do with cultural roots than with religious beliefs. Bosniaks are no different than other Muslims in that they view Islam from the foundation that is their culture.

Quick Facts

Population: 1,850,000

Global Population: 2,820,000

Progress: Unengaged

Language: Bosnian



Opportunities to Engage

The tragedy of the Bosniaks has been vividly portrayed to the world by the media. The destruction of towns and villages, expulsion of their inhabitants, systematic looting, and raping of women have left deep scars and an abiding hatred between communities that once lived together and even intermarried.

Today many of the Bosniaks are war refugees in the Western countries. They still speak Bosnian and maintain a cultural and religious community and visit their mother country regularly.

The Bosnians are one of Europe's least evangelized peoples. Although there are missions agencies currently working among the Bosnians of Bosnia-Herzegovina, very few have accepted Christ. Prayer is the key to reaching them with the Gospel.

There are opportunities to join a couple of prayer houses that are spread throughout the country, business opportunities provide much needed economic relief and opportunities to speak into a struggling economy, there are DMM practitioners, educational opportunities for both teachers and students, farming and medical opportunities, and a need for bold evangelists abound as well.

"The Spirit of the Lord GOD is upon me because the LORD has anointed me to bring good news to the afflicted; He has sent me to bind up the brokenhearted, to proclaim liberty to captives and freedom to prisoners."

Isaiah 61:1

Prayer Points

- Ask the Holy Spirit to soften the hearts of Bosnians toward Christians so that they will be receptive to the Gospel.
- Pray that God will grant wisdom and favor to the missions agencies that are currently working among Bosnians.
- Pray that God will meet the physical, spiritual, and emotional needs of Bosnians.
- Ask God to raise prayer teams who will begin breaking up the soil through worship and intercession.
- Ask the Lord to raise strong local churches among Bosnians.



Is God calling you to live among the Muslim peoples of the Turkey/Balkans?

