



Mozabite Berber - Algeria

MOH-zah-beet BUR-bur

The Mozabites are Berbers who come from the Mزاب valley in Algeria. Ghardaia is the main town and capital of the M'zab. In 1882 this region was annexed to French Algeria. They are Ibadi Muslims and strongly committed to their faith. The combination of the functional purism of the Ibadi faith and the oasis way of life has led to a strict organization of land and space. Each citadel has a fortress-like mosque whose minaret served as a watchtower. Houses are constructed in concentric circles around the mosque. A federal council unites representatives of the seven settlements. This council forms a ruling body for religious and social issues, and, increasingly, cultural matters such as dowries, celebrations and dress.

Ministry Obstacles

They are Ibadi Muslims said to be extremely devout and faithful to their traditional practices. No Scripture is reported as available in their language. There is no indication of any followers of Jesus today among the Mozabite Berbers of Algeria.

Scripture Focus

Be exalted, O LORD, in your strength! We will sing and praise your power. Psalm 21:13

Prayer Focus

Pray that this people group will rejoice in the Lord with singing and celebration when they see His mighty acts of mercy and salvation.

Pray the Lord would move mightily among the Mozabite Berbers as he has among some North African tribes. Some are responding to the gospel.



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People Name:	Berber, Mozabite
Pronunciation:	BUR-bur, MOH-zah-beet
Country:	Algeria
10/40 Window:	Yes
Population:	203,000
World Popl:	208,200
Main Language:	Tumzabt
Main Religion:	Islam
Scripture:	Portions
Online NT:	Yes
Jesus Film:	No
Audio Recordings:	Yes
Christ Followers:	Few, less than 2%
Status:	Unreached
Progress Level:	

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