

LIANYUNGANG 连云港

The city of Lianyungang is located in the far northern part of Jiangsu Province in eastern China, near the provincial border with Shandong Province. It is home to approximately 750,000 people. Lianyungang Prefecture, which contains three districts and three counties under its jurisdiction, contains more than three million people.

Lianyungang, which means 'Linked-Cloud Port' is divided into three main areas. The main area is called Xinpū. The area south of Xinpū is called Haizhou, while the area around the port and bordering the sea is Lianyungang proper.



Lianyungang Port

and 400 Manchu living in Lianyungang.

Population:
551,524 (1990)
741,200 (2000)
996,000 (2010)

Province:
Jiangsu

Major Ethnic Groups:

Han 98.9%
Miao 0.8%
Hui 0.1%
Manchu 0.1%

Christians:
10,000 (1.4%)

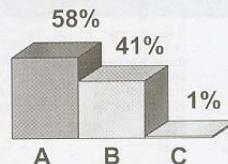
Lianyungang is located on the Yellow Sea. The city's port has been one of the most important in China since soon after the city was founded in 549 AD. Because many of the inhabitants of Lianyungang earn their living from fishing, formal education is not such a priority compared to most other cities in China. In 1990, more than 30% of the adult women in the city were illiterate, and approximately the same number were semi-literate, meaning that only 40% of women in the city are able to read and write with proficiency.

The Chinese have traditionally called Lianyungang "an ancient prefecture of renown" because of its long history. It is hemmed in by the sea and the lofty Yuntai Mountain behind the city. Yuntai is the tallest peak in Jiangsu Province. For thousands of years it has been visited by poets and tourists. The mountain range has been divided into six main designated tourist areas by local officials. These include the Huagou (Flower and Fruit) Mountain which is steeped in mythical lore, Dong Lei with its many interesting rock formations, and Jinping Mountain with many ancient Buddhist and Daoist sites.

In the summer, the people of Lianyungang flock to the beach, which is clean and sandy. Lianyungang is also known for its carved shells, feather pictures, carvings and



Status of Evangelization (Awareness of Christ and the Gospel)



A = have never heard the Gospel or the name of Christ
B = were evangelized but have not yet become Christians
C = Adherents to any form of Christianity



vases. It is also a city that enjoys exotic food. The two most famous items of Lianyungang cuisine are king prawns and Yun Wu tea. Overall, Lianyungang is one of the better and more enjoyable cities in China.

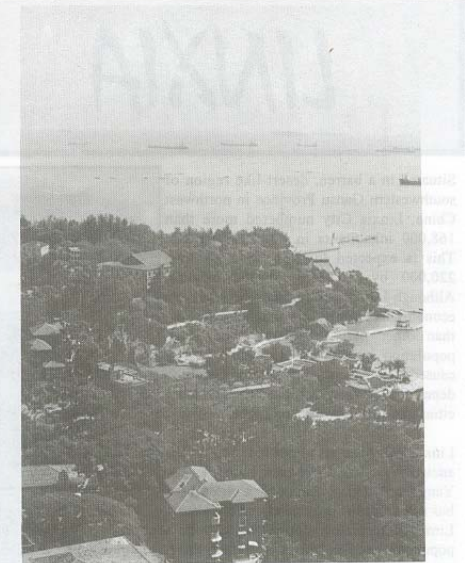
Lianyungang is the only city in this book located in Jiangsu Province. This is because Jiangsu has one of the highest rates of evangelism in China. The number of Christians in the province is estimated at between 1.4 and two million.

The majority of believers in Jiangsu, however, are concentrated in the central and southern parts of the province, especially in and around Nanjing. Lianyungang is somewhat isolated from the Gospel, and the city has a far lesser percentage of Christians than most other cities in the province.

Protestant missionaries first arrived in Jiangsu in the 1860's. The work was primarily focused on Nanjing and areas near Shanghai, but the Gospel slowly spread throughout the province. In 1995, there were a reported 120,000 believers in Yancheng Prefecture, south of Lianyungang.

The number of Christians living in Lianyungang is difficult to gauge, but the number is estimated to be approximately 10,000, belonging to Catholic, Three-Self and house churches.

Although the church in this part of China is growing, more than 98% of the people in Lianyungang do not know Jesus Christ. The majority have never had the opportunity to hear His Word before.



From ancient times Lianyungang has been one of the most important seaports in China. Today, numerous vessels still come and go from the city, located on the shores of the Yellow Sea.

Pray for Lianyungang

- 1 Ask the Holy Spirit to bless the lives and work of His people in Lianyungang, making them blazing flames of fire for the sake of the Gospel.
- 2 Pray God would help believers in Jiangsu live for eternal matters, and not be caught up in money-making and other trivial things of this world.
- 3 Pray all people in Lianyungang would soon have a chance to hear that the Kingdom of God is near.

Overview of Lianyungang

Pronunciation	"Lecun-yohn-gung"	Employed people	: 310,324 (56.3% of total population)
Old Spelling	Lien-yun-kang	Main Industries	: Industrial 38.2%; Agriculture 25.8%; Professional 12%
Location	Jiangsu Province, eastern China	Educational	: University: 1.4%
Population	551,524 (1990 census)	Attainment	: High School: 54.4%
Males	284,363 (51.56%)	(highest level)	: Primary School: 26.0%
Females	267,162 (48.44%)	attended	: Never attended any level of school: 18.2%
Households	: 143,812	Population under 15	: 25.2%
Average household	: 3.83 people	Adult Literacy	: 80% (men 89%; women 70%)
Divorced people	: 1,431	Major Nationalities	: Han 546,083
% of population	: 0.26%		: Miao 4,302
Centurians (1990)	: 6 people aged 100 or more		: Hui 537
Immigrants to City	: 9,090 per year		: Manchu 335
From same province	: 6,326 (69.6%)		: Korean 93
From other provinces	: 2,758 (30.4%)		: Others (16 groups): 174
		Christians	: 10,000 (1.7%)