Churaute

Introduction / History:

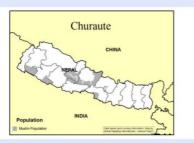
The Churautes have been long known as the Hill Muslims of Nepal. They get their name from the term *chura* which means "glass bangle". The Churautes are of the lower artisan caste of the central Nepal hills.

What is their life like?

Today the small Churaute community can still be found in the hills of Gorkha, Tanahu and Syangja districts as sellers of glass bangles, hair ornaments and small items. They are referred to as "miyan" and are considered "untouchable". The Churautes speak Nepali and are Sunni Muslims.

Ministry Needs:

Pray that the Nepali church living in and among this depressed hill Muslim group would share the truth of Christ with them. Because of the religious isolation of this Muslim group in a very Hindu and Buddhist area, it ought to be easier to proclaim the Gospel of Good News to the Churaute. Praise God around half a dozen believers can be found among them. Pray for their witness and discipleship in Christ.



Population:

Nepal: 5,700 Total: 5,700

Language: Nepali, Kham (Western Parbate) & Newar

Believers: 5