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# Aghul in Russia



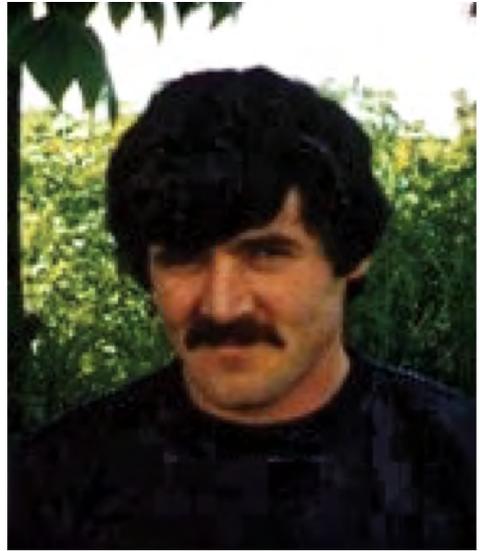
**W**hat confusion! The scene is of thousands of sheep descending a steep mountain, flooding through villages and blocking roads as they continue in their annual migration from the mountains of Dagestan to the lowlands and the Caspian Sea. These sheep belong to the Aghul people, whose rugged mountain lifestyle has created a toughness that they highly value for survival's sake. As a result, gentler qualities like grace, forgiveness and compassion are often missing in the Aghul. The Aghul are 100 percent Muslim and not highly literate.

## Ministry Obstacles

Because literacy is low, they are better reached through oral means. The JESUS Film would be one way to share the gospel with them, along with gospel recordings, skits and songs.

## Outreach Ideas

The Gospel of Luke has been completed in Aghul and so have the parables of Luke with illustrations. A gifted couple has come to serve the Aghul with needed linguistic skills. Perhaps all these can be used to help raise the literacy level of this people group. They can also use culturally appropriate music.



**POPULATION:** 35,000

**LANGUAGE:** Aghul

**RELIGION:** Islam

**BIBLE:** Portions

**STATUS:** Unreached

## Prayer Focus

Pray that the Lord sends them dreams to prepare their hearts to be ready to receive the gospel. Pray they receive His messengers with eager anticipation. Pray for a people movement to Christ among the Aghul people.

**SCRIPTURE** People from many nations will come and say, “Come, let us go up to the mountain of the Lord, to the house of Jacob’s God. There He will teach us His ways, and we will walk in His paths.” For the Lord’s teaching will go out from Zion; His word will go out. Is 2:3

**PRAY** for a heart-felt seeking of the Lord among many from today’s people group.

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