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South Ucayali Asheninka in Peru



The South Ucayali Asheninka in Peru are very similar to other Asheninka groups. However, the South Ucayali Asheninka live in the central jungle areas of the Peruvian Amazon. They, too, like their cousins, have suffered greatly at the hands of outsiders and terrorist groups. They are also subsistence farmers and work mostly in the morning and rest during the heat of the afternoon. Often the men go hunting and fishing in the evenings. They have an animistic worldview, and they use shamans to look for the causes of life problems and appease wicked spirits.

Ministry Obstacles

Their animistic worldview is a major obstacle to understanding that there is only one God and that he has already provided the only sacrifice needed to save them and give them eternal hope. Lack of education and the confusion from an alphabet system that uses spellings from a different tribal language keep things difficult.

Outreach Ideas

Mission agencies and personnel that can improve their health care, educational opportunities, and agricultural skills would go a long way in giving the South Ucayali Asheninka a more stable lifestyle. Then, they would be more receptive to the good news about Jesus.



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POPULATION: 17,000

LANGUAGE: Asheninka, South Ucayali

RELIGION: Ethnic Religions

BIBLE: New Testament

STATUS: Unreached

Prayer Focus

Pray for those trying to improve the lifestyle of the Asheninka group to make great strides in the 2020s, resulting in a people movement to Christ. Pray for spiritual receptivity coming from many visitations of the Holy Spirit.

SCRIPTURE You are the light of the world—like a city on a hilltop that cannot be hidden. Matt 5:14

PRAY for this people group to become a light to the world reflecting the goodness and grace of Jesus Christ.