

The Waja of Nigeria



representative photo

The Waja people live on mountains and plains near the Gongola River Basin. They are mostly farmers producing peanuts, cotton, sorghum, millet, cowpeas, cassava, beans, onions and tobacco. Some keep cattle, goats, sheep, horses and donkeys. Others are skilled weavers and dyers of cotton cloth. The discovery of limestone deposits led to building a cement factory nearby creating another income source for them.

The traditional African Religion has become less dominant in recent years. When the “Jesus” film was shown to the Waja people they were shocked to hear their language coming from the screen! The film gave the Waja speakers a taste of Scripture in their mother tongue. Now they are eager for the rest of the Bible.

Believers are using the Gospel of Luke and other Scripture portions they now have in their language to share the message. They are determined to make more of God’s Word available. This will be used not only in the churches for services, but to address social issues like materialism, substance abuse and health concerns like HIV/AIDs.

Primary Religion:

Ethnic Religions

Disciples (Matt 28:19):

2.5%

Churches:

Yes

Scripture Status (Matt 28:20):

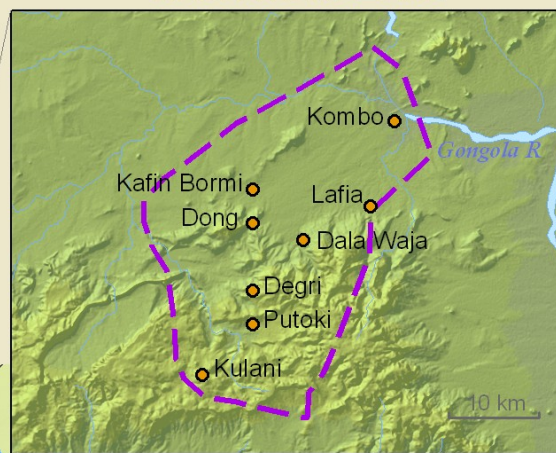
Portions of OT & NT

Population (date):

60,000 (1989)



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Have They Heard The Gospel?

Is the Word of God Translated?

“Wonderful Plan of God” Old Testament portions booklets
Gospel of Mark, Book of Acts, 1 and 2 Timothy, and the
Epistle of James are all in progress.

Hindrances to Scripture Distribution

Potential extremist activities could interrupt work.

Other Forms of Gospel Presentations

Audio recordings are available.