

THE BIDAYUH OF MALAYSIA

HOMELAND: Western Sarawak in East Malaysia

POPULATION: 226,700 (est. 2015)

LANGUAGE: Bidayuh

RELIGION: Animism, Catholicism, Protestantism, Anglican, Baha'i

EVANGELICAL BELIEVERS: 4.4% (est. 2015)

SCRIPTURE: New Testament

CHRISTIAN RADIO: None

GENERAL: The Bidayuh comprise at least 7 distinct subgroups. While many today are urban professionals, traditional farming communities can still be found in the rural areas. Animistic beliefs continue to influence the Bidayuh's world-views.

“Yet to every BIDAYUH who receives Him, to those who believe in His Name, Christ gives the right to become children of God - children born not of natural descent, nor of human decision or a husband's will, but born of God.”

John 1:12-13 (NIV - personalised)

Father God, may the BIDAYUH be blessed with every spiritual blessing in Christ Jesus.

We break the strongholds of the occult, witchcraft and idolatry in Jesus' Name. Soften all hearts hardened by pride, fear and unbelief.

Open the eyes of the BIDAYUH to see that Jesus Christ is the answer to the social ills and issues affecting their people.

Let the Holy Spirit breathe new life into the many nominal BIDAYUH congregations weighed down by religious traditions and compromise.

Provide the necessary manpower and resources to reach and to disciple the children and the youth so that they can be salt and light to their communities.

Father, may the precious BIDAYUH know Jesus as their personal Saviour, Shepherd and Friend. This we ask in His Mighty Name. AMEN.