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# TURKISH people

Join us in praying for this neglected people group!



- **Called:** the Turks, Turkish people
- **Total Population:** 84+ million
- **Language:** Turkish
- **Main Religion:** Islam

## OVERVIEW



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making the neglected globally - one team, one list, and one list

Like a bridge connecting eastern Europe and western Asia, Turkey has become host to the largest number of refugees worldwide. The Turkish people strongly identify themselves as Muslim, even though Turkey is home to some of the most prominent biblical sites. Christians are often discriminated against and slandered by family and community members. In recent years, the government has increased control, persecuting and deporting church leaders and forbidding gatherings that are not registered. Recent sources say there are only around 7,000 Muslim background believers scattered over less than 100 small churches.

According to AN's missionary family, the Smiths\*, who've lived in Istanbul since 2015, this is a time of strategic change for the church in Turkey. Local believers must take on more responsibility, and leaders must become wiser. This means being more organic and practical, having skills and a business, which opens doors and is respected by locals. Bob\*, Iron\*, and their two children are originally from central Asia and are third generation missionaries. They speak multiple languages, including fluent Turkish, which is also the common language spoken among refugee groups, such as the Syrians, Kurds, Iranians and Uyghurs. The Smiths\* are focusing on the Turkish majority with a vision to raise up disciples among them, who would then go to the many places in Turkey where there are no churches.



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## PRAYER POINTS

- Praise God for the Smith\* family being granted a long-term residency permit, allowing them to deepen their roots in Turkey. Pray for team members to come to Istanbul and join them in their work among the Turkish majority.
- Pray for a spiritual awakening in Turkey and for the raising up more disciples who will go to other places in the country where there are no churches. Pray for business opportunities and for abundant provision of the Smith's\* daily needs, so they can encourage and help supply others with food.
- Pray for the church to stay strong and to be protected with the increase of persecution and opposition. Pray for believers who are still in Turkey to not be discouraged or live in fear. The Father sent them here. There is a big change in this country and now is a key turning point for many believers to take opportunities and responsibility to lead the churches.

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\*Names have been changed due to working in a persecuted region.