



JAMAICA

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A vibrant cultural treasure, the Caribbean island of Jamaica boasts a luxurious beauty that draws visitors from around the globe. Located south of Cuba, this mountainous island has a spirit that far exceeds its size, and it enjoys a spirited cuisine and lively art and music scene. But not far from the glittering hotels and fancy restaurants are crowded and impoverished ghettos. Widespread crime and extremely high murder rates paint a different picture of this tropical nation, as do serious issues of human trafficking, child labor, and cocaine transport.

WATCH & PRAY

GIVE THANKS

This nation has a Wonderful Christian heritage and rich but little-known mission sending history.

PRAY FOR:

The Arawaks, a South American people, were the island's first inhabitants. After Christopher Columbus' arrival in 1494, the Arawaks were brutally replaced by African slaves. In 1670, Britain gained control of Jamaica and established a plantation-based economy on the island. With the abolition of slavery in 1834, 250,000 slaves were freed, and many took up independent farming. Today, over 90% of the population is of African descent – the most influential cultural force. The island's former heavy reliance on fluctuating mineral exports was cause for instability, but the more recent boom in the tourism industry generates enough revenue to maintain reasonable economic stability.

With a strong Christian heritage, evidenced in the national anthem's opening line "Eternal Father, Bless our Land," Jamaica continues to be largely open and accepting of the Gospel. With one of the highest number of churches per square miles in the world, there is no lack of spiritual resources. Even so, many of the nation's professed Christians do not regularly attend church and fail to live lives of holiness. Spiritual revival and fervency for the Gospel are greatly needed among Jamaicans. The Church must also exert its influence in the nation's troubles. The poor social situation has opened doors to church partnerships with the government to curb violence and rampant injustice.

- Pray for repentance and deeper commitment from the predominantly Christian population.
- Pray for professing Rastafarians to come to a full knowledge of Jesus Christ.
- Pray for effective cooperation among the many Christian organizations already established in country. The country finds itself in the midst of moral and social collapse. Powerful South American drug cartels, using Jamaica as a transshipment point for cocaine destined for the USA, wield great influence. This fuels violence, putting Jamaica fourth globally for murders per capita. Rape and domestic abuse are widespread. As part of an anti-corruption drive, the government has invited greater participation from churches. Pray that government and church leaders may reject compromise.
- Pray for courage, moral integrity and determination to turn the country back to God.

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THE UNREACHED

Although there may be a few believers or even a few churches, they are a people group among which there is no indigenous community of believing Christians with adequate numbers and resources to evangelize their own people group.

JOSHUA PROJECT

A total of 0 People Group is Unreached –
0 people who have limited or NO access to the Gospel.

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