



WATCH & PRAY

GIVE THANKS

**There has been great revival in Fiji and there is undeniable fruit of God at work in remarkable ways**

PRAY FOR

More than 300 volcanic and coral islands in the South Pacific Ocean make up the Sovereign Democratic Republic of Fiji. One hundred and ten of the tropical islands are inhabited, with the majority of the 900,000 people living on Viti Levu. Under British rule for nearly a century, Fiji became a republic in 1970. Before gaining independence, indentured servants from India were brought to work in the sugarcane fields, leading to a history of racism and segregation between natives and Indian Fijians. This ongoing scourge resulted in uprisings in 1987 and again in 2000. Recurring military coups along with broken government promises and faulty elections have led to an array of difficulties, including the crumbling of Fijian democracy.

One of the most developed economies in the South Pacific, Fiji's main industries include tourism, sugar, and clothing. Tourism has dwindled due to continued revolts, and because of unrest the islands have been removed from the Commonwealth of Nations. A European Union decision to cut sugar subsidies has lessened Fijian profits, and due to budget and trade deficits, the nation remains one of the world's largest recipients of aid. While the Indian community is the leader of commercial activity, they are denied nearly all rights of land ownership. This tension continues to destabilize the economy and hinder future growth.

Dating back 150 years, the Methodist church has had a strong presence in the Fijian government as well as in the lives of most native Fijians. Despite its position and political influence, little is being done to end racism and segregation, and this has greatly hindered the church's effectiveness in evangelism. Indo-Fijians make up more than 35 percent of the population, the majority practicing Hinduism. Christ's love can move the Fijian government and people's hearts – restoring them to godliness – so relationships can be healed and Indo-Fijians can be reached with the Gospel.

- Pray for healing from racial tensions that hinder the Indian community coming to Christ.
- Pray that righteousness and justice might be established and the rule of law and democratically elected governments observed.
- Pray for wise and just leadership to bring about political and economic peace. Ask God to provide leadership training for many churches.
- Pray for salvation and discipleship for Fijian university students representing every island territory.
- Pray for Unity in the Church of Fiji.



JOSHUA PROJECT

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.*

**A total of 1 People Groups are Unreached – 4 500 (0,5% of population) people who have limited or NO access to the Gospel.**



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THE GLOBAL WATCH

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