



# BARBADOS

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As the easternmost Caribbean island, Barbados enjoys a beautiful and varied landscape and culture. A rich combination of both African and British roots, along with a truly authentic and breathtaking Caribbean shoreline, draws tourists from around the world. Barbados has enjoyed one of the most prosperous economies in the Caribbean based on tourism, sugar, light industry, and offshore banking. This prosperity has led to greater education, with literacy rates at nearly 100%.

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Since settlement  
in 1627,  
Barbados has  
been Christian

Barbados claims to have never been successfully invaded by any foreign powers, since the British took control before there were any real settlements on the island. In contrast to its appearance of paradise, Barbados represented suffering and oppression for many Africans sold into slavery. Most Barbadians are descendants of 17th century African slaves, who were brought to work the sugar plantations. This grave history led Christians to initiate national repentance for past sins in 1999, desiring to be set free from the haunting and gruesome realities of the slave trade.

The island is 95% Christian, with 41% being Protestant and 32% Anglican. Despite these high numbers, nominalism and liberal theology are on the rise, along with crime and violence. The Church in Barbados sees itself in the throes of spiritual decline, with church attendance decreasing and materialism increasing. In addition, denominational leaders and independent churches lack trust and unity. Acceptance and practice of the occult is growing, and immorality is becoming increasingly prevalent, even in the church. The nation's youth are in a precarious position, facing many temptations from an increasingly immoral society. Mormons and Muslims are targeting those disillusioned by traditional Christianity. This nation desperately needs to return to its Christian roots, but with renewed vision and commitment to Jesus and a life-transforming understanding of the Gospel.

[PRAY FOR:](#)

- The legacy of slavery must be completely routed. This island, with the oldest Anglican theological college in the Western Hemisphere, also saw Anglican parishes endorse and prosper from slavery. This, too, has seen an act of public repentance. **Pray for continued healing of the lingering effects of past slavery.**
- Despite overwhelming religious profession and a large number of evangelicals, real commitment to the lordship of Jesus is the exception rather than the rule. Materialism, spreading theological liberalism, decreasing church attendance, increased violence and crime are all symptoms of spiritual decline. **Pray for the Spirit's renewal and for the Church in Barbados to reawaken.**
- Pray for followers of cults and false religions to be confronted by the true, living, and loving 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.*

**A total of 1 People Group is Unreached – 4000 people who have limited or NO access to the Gospel.**



The South Asian peoples in Barbados are the least reached people group. The Indo-Pakistani are originally from the subcontinent of India. Today, they live in many nations around the world. Many of these have yet to be touched by the Gospel.

- Ask the Lord of the harvest to send forth laborers to work among each of the Indo-Pakistani groups.
- Pray that Christians will have a burden to reach their neighbors.
- Ask the Lord to send Christian businessmen to minister life to the Indo-Pakistani.
- Pray that the Indo-Pakistani of many countries will begin to call on God for help.
- Ask the Lord to raise up prayer teams who will faithfully intercede for the Indo-Pakistani.
- Ask the Lord to bring forth many triumphant Indo-Pakistani churches for the glory of His name!

**REDEMPTIVE GIFTS OF THE NATION**

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