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At a Glance:

Population	200,000
Religion	Islam, Buddhism, Confucianism
Christians.....	<10
Language.....	Bangka
Scriptures in their language.....	None
Jesus Film and Christian Radio in their language.....	None
Christian Radio Broadcasts in their language.....	None
Churches.....	None

Prayer Points:

Pray for:

- God to empower Christian workers to exhibit the fruit, gifts, and power of the Holy Spirit as they relate to the Bangka people.
- The Holy Spirit to reveal the truth of the Gospel to this diverse people group.
- The Lord to bring the Bangka people to true repentance.
- Many salvations among the Bangka people resulting in churches being planted.
- Spiritual growth personally and corporately so that they may evangelize their own people and those of other people groups.

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