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## At a Glance:

Population .....	500,000
Religion .....	Islam
Christians .....	3,400
Language .....	Betawi
Scriptures in their language .....	Yes
Jesus Film in their language .....	No
Christian Radio Broadcasts in their language .....	None
Churches .....	None

## Prayer Points:

- Ask the Lord to raise up and grant favor to individuals and missions agencies targeting the Betawi people.
- Ask God to raise up prayer teams that will break up the soil through worship, intercession, and breaking authority over the spiritual forces that keep the Betawi bound and unable to respond to the Gospel.
- Pray that the Holy Spirit would soften their hearts toward Christians so they will be receptive to the Gospel.
- Pray for the production and effective use of the Jesus film and Christian radio broadcasts in their language.
- Pray that many Betawi people will be saved and mature spiritually.
- Ask the Lord to raise up strong local churches.

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