

# Gudu

## Nigeria

Physical Exertion: MEDIUM  
Resources: NONE  
Threat Level: LOW  
Freedom: UNRESTRICTED



### SUMMARY

3,000 population, Islamic, one known Christian, open to gospel teaching, potential for partnership with Baptist pastors' school

### DETAILS

**Who are they?** The Gudu have an estimated population of 3,000.

**What is their primary religion?** Islam

**Where are they?** The Gudu inhabit eight primary villages in the Adamawa State in Nigeria.

**Do they have a Christian witness?** There is one known Gudu Christian. There is a Baptist church in Song town, where over 500 Gudu live.

**What strategies are being implemented for reaching this people group?** A pastors' school has done some evangelistic outreach but with no visible results. They have used cinema evangelism but it has not been very successful as it has a tendency to draw the Christian non-indigenes in the villages.

**Suggestions and rationale for engaging this people group:** A smaller Engaging Church could partner with the Baptist Pastors' School in Gombi, which is only 25-30 km from the Gudu area. The school's faculty is very interested and willing to do such a partnership. This kind of partnership would encourage and train the faculty and students so they could eventually reach out to other unengaged groups in the area and to the places where the students would minister after leaving the Pastors' School.

**What specific challenges or opportunities could directly affect the engagement of this people?**

- No resources are available in the Gudu language; however, many Gudu speak Hausa or Fulfulde, and resources are available in those languages
- Accommodation and feeding would be a challenge. There is also a need for good, clean drinking water, especially during the dry season.
- The Gudu have lost most of their own culture and are slowly becoming Islamized in their beliefs and practices.

Specific Opportunities/Benefits:

- When a pastor researched and surveyed this people group in the spring of 2003 one village leader told him, "You know, the Muslims came through here some years ago and made us all Muslim, but they never came back to teach us. If you will come and teach us, we will listen!" This is an amazing invitation that cannot be passed up!

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