

CAPRO MISSIONS People Group of the Week:

Burundians

Are a people made up of two former social ethnic classes, the Hutus and Tutsis. For 400 years, Tutsi lordship over the Hutu majority dominated the political life of Burundi. After the country's independence from Belgium in 1962, the Tutsi constitutional monarchy was replaced by a military regime in 1966. Tutsi-dominated governments and military regimes since then have managed to retain Tutsi control of the army, commerce and education.



Language(s):

Burundians speak Kirundi as their official language followed by French. The use of English is also widespread.

Country(s):

Their homeland is Burundi, a small mountainous country in central Africa, on the northeast shore of Lake Tanganyika. Its bordered by its "twin" Rwanda, Tanzania, and Congo DRC.

Religion:

They are predominantly Christian at about 91% and have freedom of religion. Only about 5.5% are Muslim and 4.3% are Ethnoreligious.

Prayer Points

- It has been confirmed that Peter Nkuruziza the president of the Republic of Burundi has died on the 9th of June 2020 after a short illness. Please pray that what follows will be controlled by God.
- Pray for peace among his party members, the oppositions, soldiers, and police. Pray that the devil will not use the president's passing to cause confusion in the land.
- Pray for healing for the president's wife who has been moved from Kenya and is heading to South Africa because of an illness that has not been specified. Also pray that she and their children will be comforted at their loss.
- In 1972 there were mass killings of Hutus by the Tutsi-dominated army, and in 1993 there were mass killings of Tutsis by the majority-Hutu. Please pray that there would be no genocide or war of any kind, be it from oppositions within or outside the country.
- Please pray for God's grace and favour for the CAPRO Burundi team as they continue to engage and mobilise the church. Also pray that as they advocate for peace and reconciliation, the church will be willing to set the example.