

We suggest that you pray through the list of names below. It is probable that you are among some of the first people to actually pray for these clans of the Shahran tribe in Jesus' name (Rev. 7:9).

Al-Rshaid
 Al-Koad
 Nahess
 Al-alGhmer
 Banou Manbah
 Banou Waheb
 Banou Bejaad
 Banou Majoor
 Banou Selool
 Al Zelal
 Al'Hejaj
 Al Garaeen
 Banou Qouhafah
 Al-Sarhan
 Banou Rash'hah
 Al-Remtheen
 Al-alSerh
 Al-Mettair
 Al-alSafq
 Al-Na'man
 Al Jehrah
 Ahel AlHaqou
 Ahel AlSha'af w
 Al Yanfa'
 Banou Malek



Day 2

Be among the first to pray by name for the Shahran tribe

For the majority of Saudi Arabians their association to a tribe is a significant part of their social and cultural identity. People from Western countries have lost much of the experience of belonging to a very large extended family. For example: few Westerners can recite the names of their ancestors for 5-10 or more generations. However, it is not rare for some peoples in the Middle East to have this ability.

The Shahran Tribe: The Shahran tribe has an estimated 250,000 members and is one of the largest in Arabia. The leadership of the Shahran tribe has belonged to the House of Mushayt for several hundred years, and the tribe's principal city is Khamis Mushayt. This is the largest city in 'Asir province in South Western Arabia near the border with Yemen. Khamis Mushayt is the 8th largest city in Saudi Arabia with a population of about 630,000.

Beginning of Islam in Asir Province: In 632 AD Surad Ibn Abd Allah Al-Azadi led a delegation of people from the 'Asir region to declare their commitment to Mohammed and Islam. Mohammed made Surad ruler of the Muslims in 'Asir, urging him to spread the Islamic faith and fight the polytheists. Surad returned to the 'Ashir region and conquered it for Islam.



PRAYER REQUESTS

- ▶ *There are very few followers of Jesus, if any at all, in this tribe at the present time.*
- ▶ *Pray for opportunities for some of the Shahran to hear the Gospel through their travels abroad, through radio, internet and possibly satellite broadcasts.*
- ▶ *The vast majority of this tribe are very much cut off from any significant access to the Gospel. It is illegal to proclaim the Gospel in Saudi Arabia; Many Christian internet sites are blocked and very few followers of Jesus ever travel to or live in Khamis Mushayt and the surrounding area.*