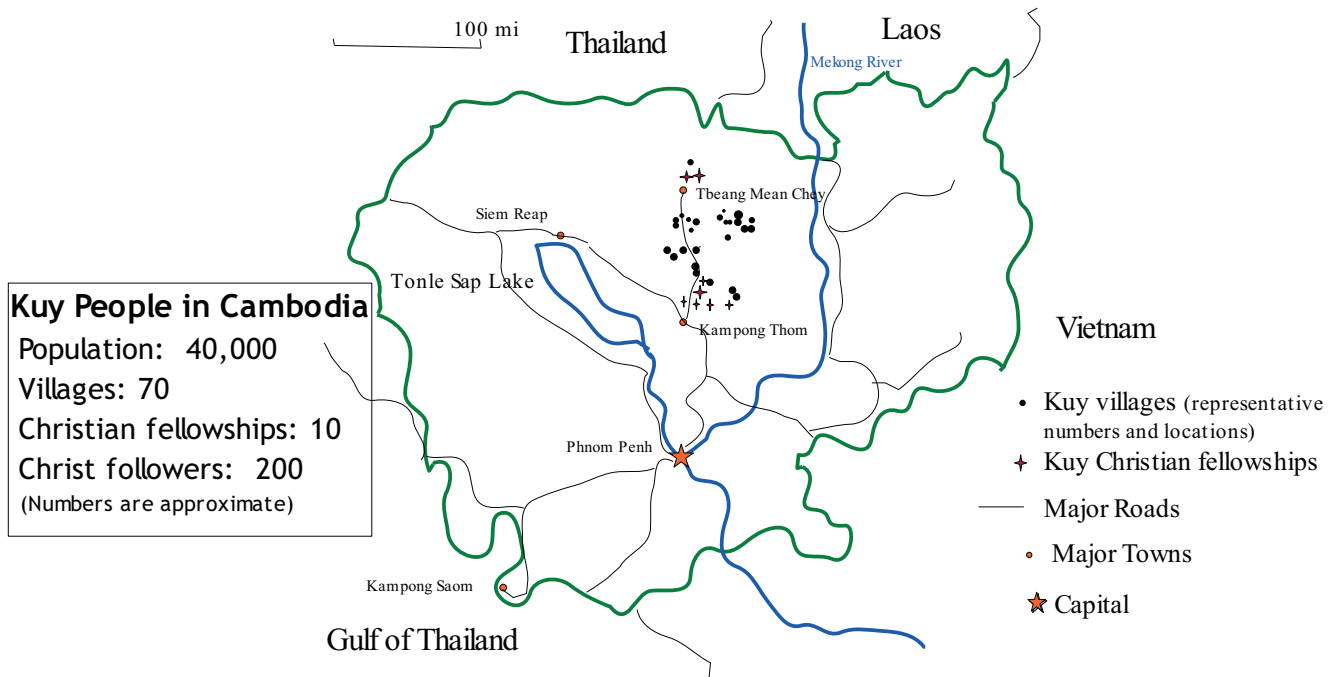


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State of the Kuy People of Cambodia

Kuy people may be found in Thailand and Laos as well as in Cambodia. Their villages are interspersed with Khmer villages. The Kuy probably pre-date the majority population of the Cambodia, the Khmer. They have their own, unwritten language. But most are bi-lingual, speaking the national language, Khmer as well. Illiteracy is very high among them. The Kuy are all in rural, mostly quite remote areas. Most are now wet-rice farmers, though they used to be forest dwellers, reliant on forest products for their living. Today many still harvest forest fruits and vegetables, hunt small game and cut timber in addition to farming. Their beliefs are a mixture of animist and folk Buddhist ideas with animism being the older and more dominant belief structure. They believe in a spiritual realm that interacts with the physical.

Kuy people are becoming less isolated. New roads being constructed through their areas. This will enable them to more easily get their produce to market towns. It can also provide more access for development and for the gospel. Conversely, it can also provide more access for exploitation.

Christian workers involved with the Kuy

- Two expat missionary couples living in Kuy villages and working on language, literacy and translation.
- One expat couple and a single man planning outreach to the Kuy
- One national couple pastoring a Kuy church plant and supervising a dorm with Kuy high school girls.
- One national pastor planting a church in a Kuy village.
- One expat missionary and his national church members from Phnom Penh reaching out to Kuy villages in Kampong Thom.

Praise and Prayer

- Praise God for more people working with the Kuy!
- Pray for health, safety, wisdom and fruitfulness for all workers.
- Pray for each fellowship of believers to grow in faith and numbers.
- Pray that God will raise up Bible story tellers from among the Kuy believers.
- Pray that there will be a “person of peace” in each village to open doors for the gospel (Luke 10:6)
- Pray for a Church Planting Movement among them, 100s of churches and 1000s of believers.



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