

DAY 15: APRIL 19

Gagauz

The Gagauz are a Turkic people of around 250,000, living mainly in Moldova and nearby regions. While their language is Turkic, most identify with the **Eastern Orthodox Church**—a rare combination.

Their origins are not fully clear but are often linked to Turkic groups such as the Seljuks or Pechenegs who adopted Christianity. **Today, faith is often cultural rather than personal**, and fewer than 1% identify as Evangelical Christians. Since the collapse of the Soviet Union, a strong sense of identity and autonomy has shaped the community.



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A small but growing Evangelical presence including Baptist and Pentecostal believers, often **gathering in informal or house church settings**, and some openness to the Gospel can be observed.

Scripture

"I know your deeds, that you are neither cold nor hot. I wish you were either one or the other!"

Revelation 3.15

Prayer Points

- ✓ Pray that God would **break down spiritual strongholds** among the Gagauz.
- ✓ Pray that God would raise up Christ-centered, Spirit-filled **"workers from the harvest"** to work among the Gagauz.
- ✓ Pray for **healthy multiplication of churches and disciples** among the Gagauz.
- ✓ Pray that the Gagauz would receive from Jesus **refined faith like gold in the fire**, the white garments of His righteousness, and healing eye salve for spiritual clarity.