



**50** DAYS OF  
UNBROKEN  
PRAYER  
FOR THE TURKIC WORLD

## DAY 9: APRIL 13

### Tatar

The Tatar are one of the largest Turkic peoples, with a population of **around 7 million**, living mainly in Russia, as well as in other countries of the former Soviet Union. Their identity is shaped by both Russian and Islamic influences, less than 0.1% are Christians.

Many Tatars live in **urban areas and are well educated**, yet traditional values and community life remain central. The Tatar celebrate Sabantuy, a traditional spring festival with roots in ancient agricultural practices and pre-Islamic beliefs, including elements of shamanism.

The Tatar perception of Christianity has been shaped by painful experiences. Between the 17th and 19th centuries, **forced conversion attempts by the Russian Orthodox Church**—including the destruction of mosques—led to deep mistrust. Many who converted under pressure later returned to Islam after persecution ended.



### Scripture

“The kingdom of heaven is like leaven that a woman took and hid in three measures of flour, till it was all leavened.”

Matthew 13:33

### Prayer Points

- ✓ Pray that God would **break down spiritual strongholds** among Tatars.
- ✓ Pray that God would raise up Christ-centered, Spirit-filled “**workers from the harvest**” to work among Tatars.
- ✓ Pray for **healthy multiplication of churches and disciples** among Tatars.
- ✓ Pray that the gospel would take root among the Tatar people and **God’s kingdom would come in its entirety**.



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