

The Burate of Indonesia

There are at least 100 speakers of the Burate language. They live in the province of Papua Indonesia. Most of the Burate people live in one village along the Wapoga River and primarily work as forest gatherers, loggers, or fishermen. At an altitude of less than 100 meters above sea level, the Burate people can best be accessed by boat. The boat ride from Serui is less than 10 hours.

The government built houses for the people more than 20 years ago, but many of those homes have fallen apart. The people eat fish, vegetables, and fruits. The Burate people have no gospel cassettes, films, or videos in their language. The Burate language is part of the East Geelvink Bay language family. About ten percent of the people follow Christianity while the majority of 90 percent adhere to the local tribal religion. With a total of 10 Christians out of 100 speakers, an additional survey may be necessary to determine their translation needs.

**Image
Unavailable**

Primary Religion:

Tribal Religion

Disciples (Matt 28.19):

10%

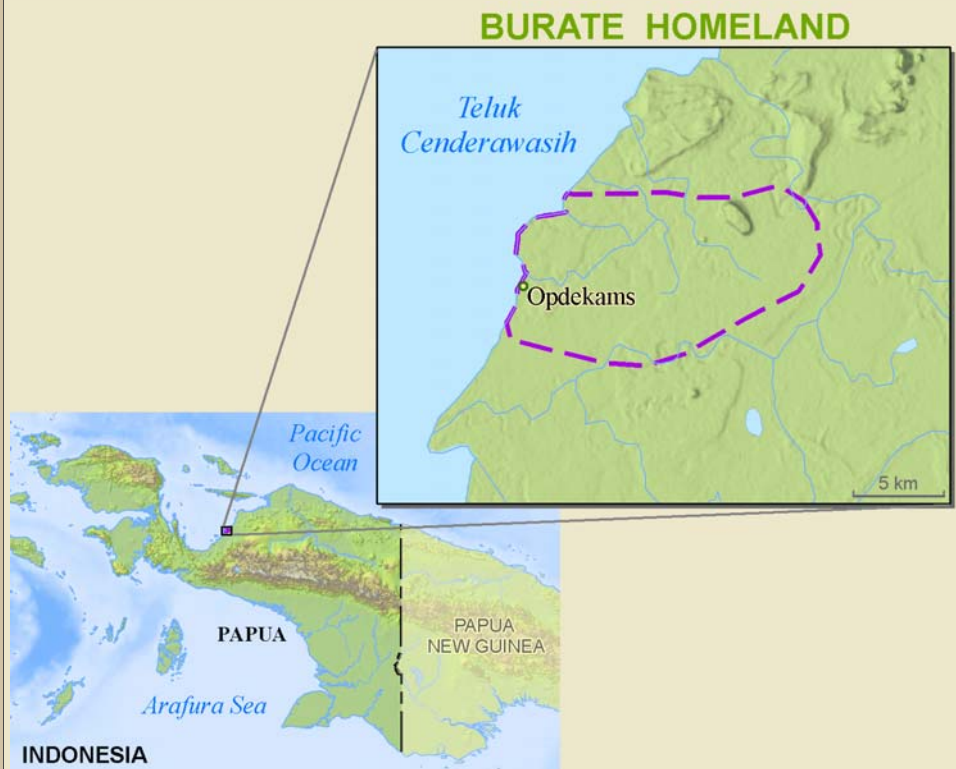
Churches:

Scripture Status (Matt 28.20):

No Scripture

Population (date):

100 (2002)



The Burate of Indonesia

Item Name Item Note

Have They Heard The Gospel?

Call Themselves Christian (%)	10%
Believe In Jesus As God & Only Savior (%)	10%
Believe In The Local Traditional Religion (%)	90%
Number Of Communities	1
Is The Word Of God Translated?	No

Profile Summary

Population All Countries

World Population For This People	100
World Population (Date)	2002

Group Description

Countries Where People Group Lives

Country Name	Indonesia
--------------	-----------

Group Description

Geography & Environment

Location	Most of the Burate people live in one village along the Wapoga River.
Elevation	<100 m
Longitude	136 degrees east
Latitude	3 degrees south
Comments (Geography & Environment)	They can best be accessed by boat. The boat ride from Serui is less than 10 hours.

Group Description

Language & Linguistics

Primary Language	Burate
Comment (Language)	The Burate language is part of the East Geelvink Bay language family.

Group Description

Economics

Occupation	They primarily work as forest gatherers, loggers, or fishermen.
------------	---

Group Description

Community Development

Diet (Quality)	Fair
Comment (Diet)	The people eat fish, vegetables, and fruits.
Transportation	Village can be reached by boat.

Group Description

Society & Culture

History Of People Group	The government built houses for the people more than 20 years ago, but many of those homes have fallen apart.
-------------------------	---

Group Description

Scripture

Translation Status	Probable
Available Scripture	None
Other Forms Of Gospel Available: Literature	No
Other Forms Of Gospel Available: Recordings	No
Other Forms Of Gospel Available: Film/Videos	No

Status of Christianity