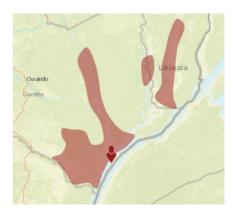
There are approximately 112,000 Bangi people in the Republic of the Congo. The history of the Bangi is rather sordid as they dominated the indigenous slave trade in the late 18th century. They would target other ethnic groups, raid their villages, take them captive and trade them for weapons. The Bangi people controlled a large portion of the



Congo and their language was widespread, since many adopted it to become part of an ethnic alliance. Although their dominance diminished in the late 19th century, the tensions between ethnic groups still remain today. Today, many Bangi are considered to be Christian in name but not in practice.

- Pray the Bangi would truly encounter Christ with their hearts and minds and no longer live as Christians in name only.
- Pray that ethnic tensions would be set aside so that Christians from nearby people groups would boldly proclaim the gospel to the Bangi.
- Pray the Bangi would become the light of Christ in the darkness and be known for their peace instead of their past.

"Because of the tender mercy of our God, whereby the sunrise shall visit us from on high to give light to those who sit in darkness and in the shadow of death, to guide our feet into the way of peace." (Luke 1:78-79)