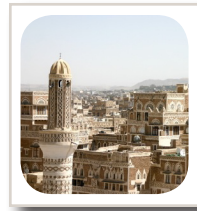


day 31

YEMEN



FAQS

SIZE

California and Pennsylvania

POPULATION

22,230,531

CAPITAL

Sanaa

LANGUAGE

Arabic

RELIGION

Islam

UPG'S

18

POP. IN CHICAGO

2,000

LOCATION

Albany Park

VISIT

Yemen Restaurant
4750 N Kenneth Ave
Chicago, IL
773-777-8755

Yemen was divided into two regions. The Northern portion of Yemen was ruled by imams until a pro-Egyptian military coup took place in 1962 where Egypt and the USSR supported the revolutionaries and Saudi Arabia and Jordan supported the Royalists. In 1969, the Royalists were defeated. The Port of Aden, strategically located at the opening of the Red Sea, was colonized by Britain in 1839. By 1937, with an expansion of its territory, it was known as the Aden Protectorate. In the 1960's, the Nationalist Liberation Front (NLF) fought against British rule, which led to the establishment of the People's Republic of Southern Yemen. In 1979, under strong Soviet influence, the country became the only Marxist state in the Arab world. In 1990, the two regions merged, and the Republic of Yemen was declared.

The first Yemeni's arrived in Chicago in 1920 finding only low-status jobs in service enterprises like restaurants, laundries, and factories. Yemeni immigrants had difficulty generating sufficient income to establish institutions or businesses which maintain a viable community. The first Yemeni-owned and operated enterprises were coffee shops and liquor stores. Neither are characteristic of Yemeni culture, and it is likely that the coffee shops represent an economic activity borrowed from the larger and more affluent Lebanese and Palestinian communities. Yemenis are predominately Muslim. They tend to develop cultural ties with the Lebanese and Palestinian communities. **Pray that the Lebanese Christians will find opportunities to witness to Yemenis. Pray that they will experience miraculous visions of the Lord. Pray for those who become Christian to make their faith public. Pray for divine appointments between Christians and Yemenis that will develop into long-term relationships.**



PSALM 57:9

"I will praise You, O Lord, among the peoples; I will sing to You among the nations."