

SARAJEVO

Sarajevo, Bosnia's capital city, is the only major European city to have a mosque, a catholic church, an orthodox church, and a synagogue in the same neighborhood. Because of its religious and cultural diversity, it has been called "The Jerusalem of Europe." Lord, we ask that you would swing open wide the gates of Sarajevo in order that You, the King of glory, may come in (Psalm 24).

Population: 286,200

BANJA LUKA

Banja Luka is the capital of the northern political entity, Republika Srpska. Once given the nickname "The Green City," it is known for tree-lined avenues, gardens, and parks. Oh Lord, we pray that the people of Banja Luka would find You as their Shepherd who makes them lie down in green pastures, leads them into true rest, and restores their souls (Psalm 23).

Population: 185,000

TUZLA

Tuzla, known throughout its history as a place of salt, is home to the only salt lake in Europe. It is also considered by some as one of the most multicultural cities in the country. Father, we ask that Tuzla would be the salt of Bosnia—Let your light shine so brightly there that other cities take notice and give glory to You (Matthew 5:13-16).

Population: 111,000

BOSNIA AND HERZEGOVINA



CITY INSIGHTS

ZENICA

Zenica is well known as a place of industry, specifically in the areas of steel, coal, and metal processing. Their industry is even reflected in the name of a local football club, *Čelik*, which means steel. Father, bring people in Zenica to see that You alone are the Rock. Train their hands to do impossible things for Your glory, sustained by Your strength (Psalm 18:30-36).

Population: 111,000

MOSTAR

Stari Most, the iconic arched bridge in Mostar, is one of the most well-known landmarks of Bosnia. The city itself is named after the bridge, derived from the term for "the bridge keepers." Lord Jesus, we pray that Mostar's people would come to You, the Gatekeeper, and find the open door to Life (John 10:1-10).

Population: 105,800

DOBOJ

Doboj is one of the oldest cities in Bosnia, first mentioned in a charter in 1415. It also has the nation's largest railroad junction. Lord, we pray that the people of Doboj would find the road that leads to Life, and joyfully leave all else behind (Matthew 7:13-14).

Population: 71,400

BIHAĆ

Bihać is settled on the banks of the beautiful river Una. Cafes and restaurants dot the shoreline where people gather, sip their coffee, and enjoy the water. Father, we pray that the people of Bihać will come to Jesus and find the Living Water that never runs dry (John 4:10-14).

Population: 56,300

TRAVNIK

Travnik, like many cities in Bosnia, is nestled in a valley. Nearby is Mt. Vlašić, which is one of the tallest peaks in the country. Lord, we ask that every valley in Travnik be raised up, every mountain made low, and that all the people of this city will see Your Glory (Isaiah 40:4-5).

Population: 53,500

BUGOJNO

Near Bugojno is a forest that was one of Tito's favorite hunting spots. Forestry and hunting continue to be important in this area. Lord God, be enthroned over the forests, the deserts, the floods, and let all Bugojno be filled with shouts of glory to Your Name (Psalm 29:8-10).

Population: 31,500

TREBINJE

Trebinje is a center of culture and economy in the Eastern Herzegovina region. It is known as "The City of the Sun." Father we pray that those walking in darkness in this city would see Your great Light—Let Your Light dawn over their deepest places of darkness (Isaiah 9:2).

Population: 29,200

VAREŠ

Vareš is a small town known for its mining and iron production. These types of industry have been active in the area a long time, even dating back to the Roman era. Father we ask You to strengthen the people of Vareš. No matter what comes against them, let them find freedom in Jesus and stand with faces set like flint, knowing they will never be put to shame because of You (Isaiah 50:6-9).

Population: 8,900