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PRAY FOR THE PERSECUTED



**THE INTERNATIONAL DAY OF PRAYER FOR THE PERSECUTED CHURCH
THE SECOND SUNDAY IN NOVEMBER**

COUNTRIES OF PERSECUTION:



PLEASE REMEMBER TO PRAY FOR PERSECUTED CHRISTIANS

Be joyful in hope, patient in affliction, faithful in prayer.

Romans 12:12

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PERSECUTION FACTS:

MORE CHRISTIANS HAVE BEEN MARTYRED FOR THEIR FAITH IN THE 20TH & 21ST CENTURIES ALONE THAN IN THE PREVIOUS 19 CENTURIES COMBINED.

Today, over 200 MILLION Christians around the world face persecution for their faith in Jesus Christ.

Christians face persecution in 144 countries out of 190+ countries in the world.

Christians are the most persecuted religious group in the world

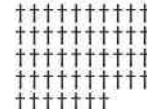
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PAST 19 CENTURIES



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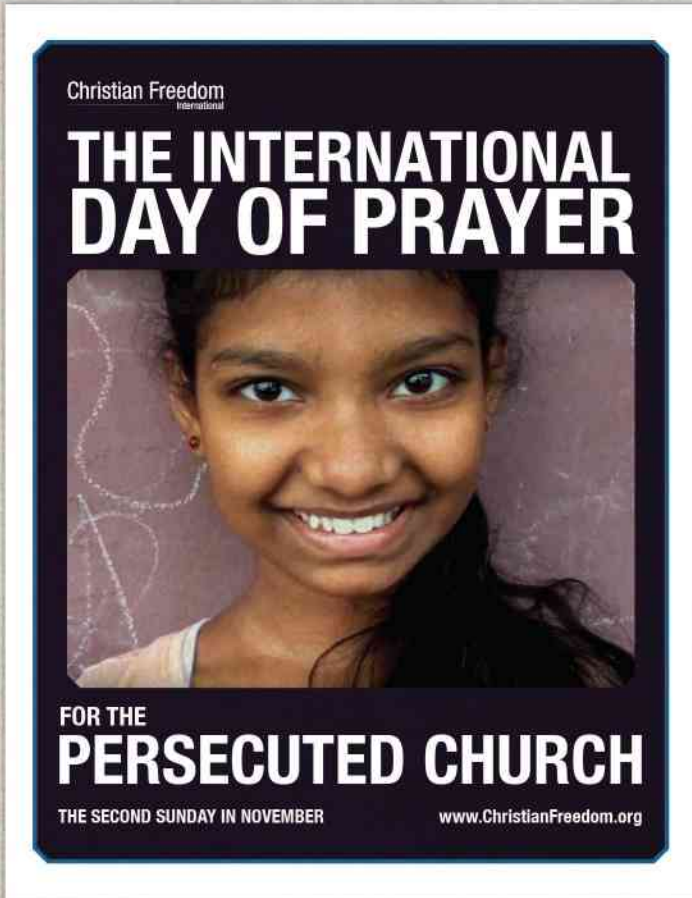
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Is your church praying for the Persecuted Church?

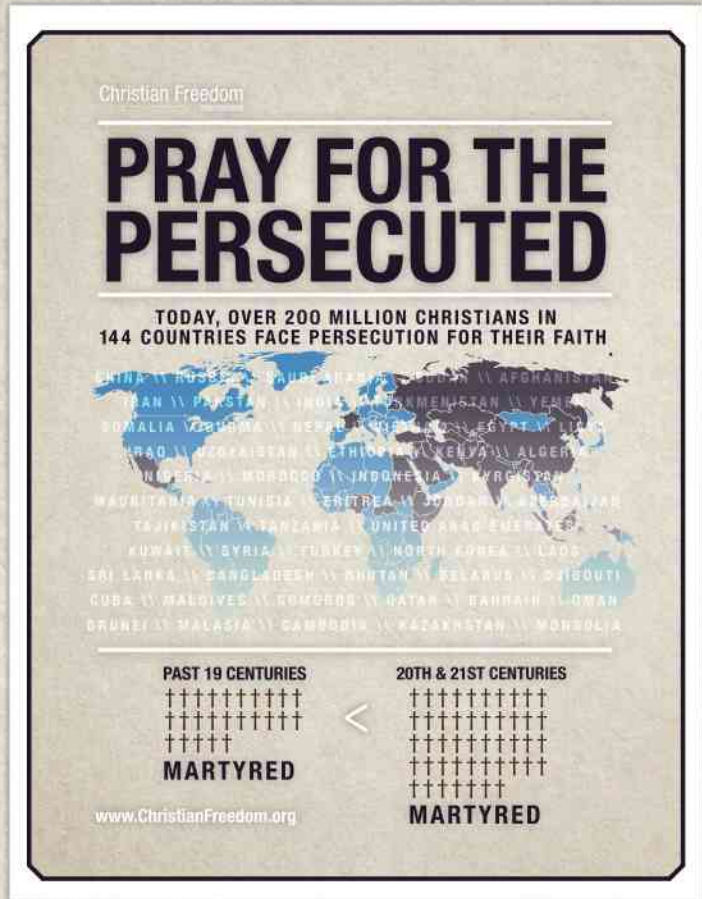
Every year, the Second Sunday in November is dedicated to prayer for the Persecuted Church. Please join with other caring Christians, united in prayer, on behalf of those who suffer so harshly for their faith in Jesus Christ.

You and your church can participate in this upcoming Day of Prayer. Download your FREE church resource prayer kit at www.ChristianFreedom.org.

YOUR PRAYER KIT WILL INCLUDE...

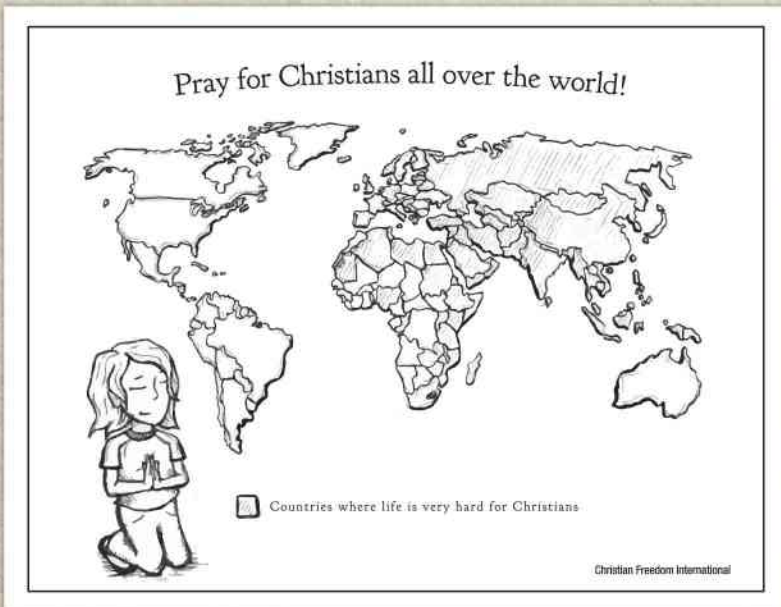


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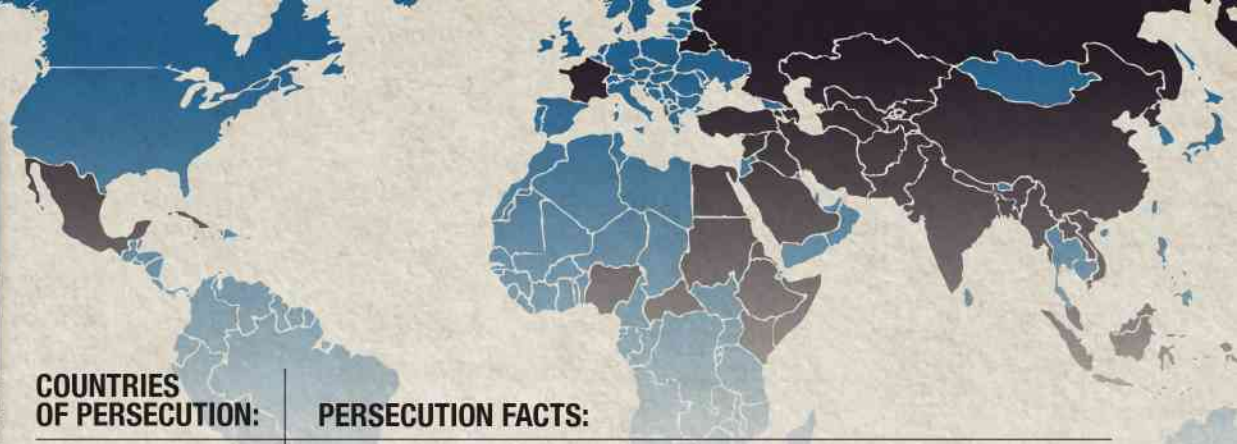


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- CHURCH BULLETIN INSERT WITH PERSECUTION FACTS & A DETACHABLE BOOKMARK
- SUGGESTED SCRIPTURE VERSES
- PRAISE AND WORSHIP SONG SELECTIONS
- POSTERS
- CHILDREN'S SUNDAY SCHOOL ACTIVITIES
- NOTE CARDS YOUR CONGREGATION CAN SEND TO A PERSECUTED CHRISTIAN



Sunday School Coloring Page



COUNTRIES OF PERSECUTION:	PERSECUTION FACTS:
BURMA	Oppressive Buddhist Majority Nation // 89% Buddhist, 4% Christian, 4% Muslim, 3% other // High risk area
CHINA	Communist // Officially Atheist // High risk area
LAOS	Communist State // 67% Buddhist, 31.5% other, 1.5% Christian // At risk area
NEPAL	Federal Democratic Republic // 80% Hindu, 10.7% Buddhist, 4.2% Christian // Officially a Hindu state, with severe & growing persecution of underground, unregistered house church Christians
INDIA	Federal Republic // 80.5% Hindu, 13.4% Muslim, 2.3% Christian // Severe and growing persecution of Christians in Orissa & other states
AFGHANISTAN	Republic // 90% Muslim, 10% Coptic & other Christians // High risk area
EGYPT	Islamic Republic // 99% Muslim, 1% Christian & other // High risk area
BANGLADESH	Parliamentary Democracy // 83% Muslim, 16% Hindu, 1% other // Area of concern
IRAN	Theocratic Republic // 98% Muslim, 2% Christian & other // High risk area
IRAQ	Parliamentary Democracy // 97% Muslim, 3% Christian & other // High risk area
PAKISTAN	Federal Republic // 95% Muslim, 5% Christian & Hindu // High risk area
SUDAN	Government of Nat'l Unity // 70% Muslim, 25% Indigenous beliefs, 5% Christian // High risk area
NORTH KOREA	Communist State // One-Man Dictatorship // Government-sponsored religious groups existing to provide illusion of religious freedom // High risk area

KEEP OTHERS INFORMED ABOUT the PERSECUTED CHURCH PLEASE

PASS THIS NEWSLETTER ALONG WHEN YOU ARE FINISHED READING IT.

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Dear Friend of the Persecuted Church,

Isolation. An intense feeling of being alone. This is a big struggle for many Christians living in societies that hate Christians. The prophet Elijah struggled with this, too. When Jezebel threatened to track him down and kill him, he told God, "I, even I only, am left, and they seek my life to take it away." God showed Elijah that he was not alone. God was with him – and 7,000 others who had not bowed the knee to false gods.

On the International Day of Prayer for the Persecuted Church, your church can join with thousands of others to petition God and – like the faithful 7,000 in the hostile world of Elijah's time – encourage suffering Christians that they are not alone.

We have designed a resource kit for the International Day of Prayer for the Persecuted Church. It has posters, Scriptures, worship songs, bulletin inserts, a video, cards to write notes to persecuted Christians, and even materials for children. This is a simple way to unite your church as one body to "Remember those who are in prison, as though in prison with them, and those who are mistreated, since you also are in the body." Hebrews 13:3.

Many Christians are not aware that their brothers and sisters in countries like Bangladesh, Egypt, Pakistan, Iraq and Myanmar face serious discrimination every day. Sometimes it is outright – like ISIS slaughtering and destroying Christian communities, or Muslims kidnapping young Christian women for forced marriages and forced conversions. At other times it is masked, like jailing Christians on charges of "subversion".

The International Day of Prayer for the Persecuted Church is traditionally the first or second Sunday in November. Christian Freedom International's kit can be used anytime of the year. This kit is a terrific resource for pastors and ministry leaders – and a gift you can give to plan for a dedicated day to remember the persecuted.

This is a way to share your passion for the persecuted Church with other Christians.

For Christ,

Wendy Wright
President

P.S. You can order CFI's free International Day of Prayer for the Persecuted kit by mail or phone. Or download it online at www.ChristianFreedom.org.

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