



# Christian Freedom<sup>®</sup> International

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Dear Friend of the Persecuted Church,

I just finished speaking at a camp for – what can be a tough crowd – teenagers.

These young people were gripped by the stories of Christians, right now, around the world, who are persecuted for believing in Jesus.

They heard about “Lilly” who survived a massacre and was enslaved by Boko Haram in Nigeria. And Shagufta and Shaqat who were falsely accused of blasphemy and sentenced to death in Pakistan. And others beaten, shunned, outcast – and how they follow Jesus nevertheless.

One young lady wrote in an article for the camp newspaper:

“My head hurts just trying to wrap my head around what that must be like. This can all seem so heavy and daunting, like there’s nothing we can do to help them.

**But if nothing else there’s something we can always do: we can pray!”**



**Imagine that . . . teenagers who are motivated to pray for the persecuted!**

They are not alone. Their prayers join a chorus rising to God from around the world.



From prisoners inside jail cells and prison camps.

From Christians in shelters and safe houses.

From new believers in dark closets in hostile homes.

From small groups in angry villages.

Christians in hostile areas quietly gather in homes and small churches to pray for the persecuted.

**These teens are joining persecuted Christians who pray - not only for themselves . . . but for their brothers and sisters who are also persecuted.**

Most importantly - together we are praying to our all-powerful God who sees and hears and answers prayers.



You can also impact others to pray for persecuted Christians!

**We have made it simple. Christian Freedom International created a Prayer Kit for churches for the International Day of Prayer for the Persecuted Church.**

It includes materials for children, Bible discussions, Devotionals, posters to alert your church to the International Day of Prayer for the Persecuted Church, and more.



These will engage every age and size of group in your church.

If your church is not sure what to pray – give them our newsletters or send them to Christian Freedom International's website to learn about specific Christians and the ways that they suffer – and stand – for Jesus Christ.

**You can motivate your church and Bible studies to pray.**

And you can help us to get these materials to more Christians and churches with your donations.

**We offer all our materials for free – because we want more people to pray.**

You can encourage your church and more Christians to stand with the persecuted in prayer.

Prayer to the true God must be powerful – because powerful people try to stop Christians from praying.

Governments close down churches or turn them into 'cultural centers'. Jihadists force people to recite Islamic prayers – or else be slaughtered. Village leaders try to force Christians to follow pagan practices.

We just got word that one of Christian Freedom International's ministry centers – where Christians gather to pray for hours – must move because a hostile politician moved next door. They need a safer place to freely pray.

But God sees and knows – and wants us to pray for one another even as we provide aid and equip them to endure persecution.

You can spread the word – and get more Christians involved – through the simple yet powerful act of encouraging people to pray together.

Take advantage of Christian Freedom International's Prayer Kit to get churches involved.

Thank you for staying informed and partnering with persecuted Christians.

God bless you,

*Wendy Wright*

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P.S. The International Day of Prayer for the Persecuted Church is the first or second Sunday in November. **But our Prayer Kit can be used any time of year. We even created a poster where you can write your own preferred date.**



Find out more by downloading a Prayer Kit from our website ([www.ChristianFreedom.org/ways/pray/](http://www.ChristianFreedom.org/ways/pray/)) or request a Prayer Kit by calling us at 800-323-CARE.

Request one for your church – and your donations will help to equip more Christians to support the persecuted.