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DON'T STAND IN SILENCE

Remember those in prison as if you were their fellow prisoners, and those who are mistreated as if you yourselves were suffering.

Hebrews 13:3 (NIV)

PERSECUTION FACTS

- 2,123 Christians were killed for their faith during 2013
- That compares to 1,201 during 2012
- Number of Christians killed during 2013 in,
 - Syria - 1,213
 - Nigeria – 612
 - Pakistan – 88
 - Egypt – 83

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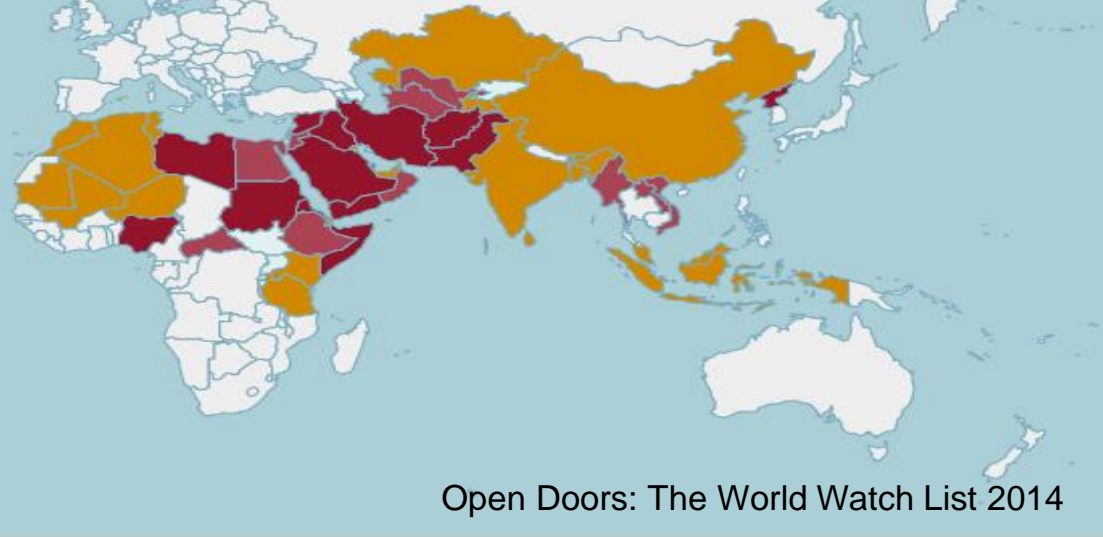


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The World's Worst Persecutors

TOP 10

North Korea
Somalia
Syria
Iraq
Afghanistan
Saudi Arabia
Maldives
Pakistan
Iran
Yemen



Open Doors: The World Watch List 2014

EXTREME PERSECUTION

SEVERE PERSECUTION

MODERATE PERSECUTION

SPARSE PERSECUTION



80%

of all religious persecution is **against Christians**

A photograph showing a man in a white shirt standing in a courtyard. The buildings in the background are heavily damaged, with charred walls and missing roofs, suggesting a scene of destruction or persecution. The sky is clear and blue.

100 million

**Christians worldwide
are facing persecution...**

INTERNATIONAL DAYS
--- of Prayer for ---

PERSECUTED
--- CHRISTIANS ---



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PRAYER POINTS
--- for ---

ISRAEL AND GAZA

- **That churches will support vulnerable Muslim-background converts to Christianity.**
- **For long-lasting relationships to be built through reconciliation ministries which bring together Palestinian and Messianic believers.**
- **For the salvation of Jews who reject Jesus as the Messiah.**



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PRAYER POINTS
--- for ---

INDIA

- **In some states it is virtually impossible to get permission to build or renovate a church building. Pray for wisdom and perseverance for church leaders in dealing with the authorities.**
- **Christians cannot count on fair treatment and are discouraged from claiming their rights. Pray that the government will ensure justice for the Christian minority.**
- **That biblical training, literacy and livelihood programmes will help to strengthen the church.**



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PRAYER POINTS
--- for ---

IRAQ

- **For Muslim Background Believers who often face opposition from their family and community.**
- **For wisdom for expat Christians who are being increasingly monitored by the authorities.**
- **For workers supporting displaced Christians with trauma counselling, training and income generating projects.**



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PRAYER POINTS
--- for ---

NORTH KOREA

- **For the 50,000-70,000 Christians imprisoned in labour camps. Ask God to sustain them.**
- **That God would change the heart of Kim Jong-Un and use him to reform the country.**
- **For protection for workers and contacts providing relief and shelter for Christian refugees in China.**



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PRAYER POINTS
--- for ---

MYANMAR

- **Registering a church is almost impossible. Pray for wisdom and perseverance for church leaders.**
- **For pastors and church workers receiving livelihood grants and skills training.**
- **For children and women from both Christian and non-Christian families who face constant disadvantages and in many cases oppression.**



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PRAYER POINTS
--- for ---

NIGERIA

- **For God's Spirit to be at work, comforting families who have suffered trauma or bereavement.**
- **That Christians will resist the temptation to respond to attacks against them with violence.**
- **For the protection of workers taking Bibles, relief and training to believers in need.**



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SUDAN

- **Pray that Christians throughout Sudan will continue to entrust themselves to Christ and preach the gospel boldly, knowing Jesus is the ruler over the kings of the earth.**
- **Pray also that peace, justice and religious freedom may be firmly established.**

SYRIA

- **Pray that Christians will be able to reach out to the Muslim population in Syria.**
- **Pray for strength, encouragement and peace for Christian labourers at work in Syria.**
- **Pray that Syrian converts to Christianity will be a strong witness to their family, friends and neighbours.**

FOR MORE INFO



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The Voice
of the Martyrs