



# MONTHLY PRAYER GUIDE

This month join the World Help family in praying for persecuted Christians around the globe.

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WEEK 1

April 30 -  
May 6

## **PRAY FOR THE NORTH KOREAN CHRISTIANS IN LABOR CAMPS**

North Korea is the most dangerous country in the entire world to be a follower of Christ. Just owning a Bible can lead to torture, imprisonment in a labor camp, and even death. But it's not just Christians who are at risk – their families will share the same fate if they're discovered. In these camps, Christ-followers are subjected to physical abuse, and women often become targets of sexual violence. *Please pray that God will protect men and women trapped in labor camps and that the Holy Spirit will give them a spirit of hope and courage.*

WEEK 2

May  
7 - 13

## **PRAY FOR IRAQI CHRIST-FOLLOWERS DISOWNED BY THEIR FAMILIES**

Being a Christ-follower in Iraq comes with a unique set of challenges. They often face harassment and discrimination, and sometimes even violence. Even within their own families, believers who come from Muslim backgrounds face extreme pushback. Many are frequently disowned by their parents, divorced by their spouses, or lose all rights to see their children. *Please pray that Iraqi Christians experience the love of God in new, refreshing ways each day.*

WEEK 3

May  
14 - 20

## **PRAY FOR THE SAFETY OF BELIEVERS IN NIGERIA**

Terrorist groups like Boko Haram and the Islamic State West Africa Province aim to eliminate Christianity in Nigeria ... and they are more than willing to resort to violence. It's estimated that more Christians die for their faith in Nigeria than in the rest of the world combined. Those who do survive are left without their land or livelihoods. They're treated like second-class citizens under Sharia law. And with no other options, they often move to refugee camps in neighboring countries. *Please pray for God to radically change the hearts of Muslim extremists and protect Christians in Nigeria.*

WEEK 4

May  
21 - 27

## PRAY FOR THE HOLY SPIRIT TO GIVE COURAGE TO SYRIAN CHRISTIANS

The public threat from Islamic terrorist groups has decreased in Syria. However, many Christ-followers live in a constant state of fear that they're lurking in the shadows. Church leaders are still abducted in the middle of the night and never heard from again. Christian businesses, cemeteries, monasteries, and churches are frequently ransacked and destroyed. *Please pray that believers in Syria find strength in God's presence when they face oppression.*

WEEK 5

May 28 -  
June 3

## PRAY FOR GOD TO MAKE HIS PRESENCE KNOWN IN INDIA

Hinduism has strong roots in India. Many people believe their identity as an Indian goes hand in hand with the practice of Hinduism. People who convert to Christianity are often considered traitors of the country by their friends and family. They experience discrimination, social exclusion, and are even attacked for their faith. *Please pray that God will reveal Himself to the people of India and that they will find their identities in Him.*

**You can give hope to persecuted Christians around the world by providing Bibles. Visit [worldhelp.net/bibles](http://worldhelp.net/bibles) to learn more.**



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You will be hated by everyone because of me, but the one who stands firm to the end will be saved.

— Matthew 10:22

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