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May 24 | NORTH KOREA

Between 50,000-70,000 Christians are in prison camps for their faith. Pray for their protection and strength.

May 25 | WORLDWIDE

Several believers are placed in jail for false charges because of their faith. Pray for God to intervene on their behalf.

Praise Report



*Praise the Lord.
Praise God in
His sanctuary;
praise Him in His
mighty heavens.
— Psalm 150:1*

May 26 | SOUTHEAST ASIA

Praise God for marriage seminars, which are equipping believers to stand strong in their faith and marriage, in spite of persecution.

May 27 | LEBANON

Praise the Lord for the faithfulness of Christians around the world to care for Christian refugees in this area.

May 28 | CENTRAL ASIA

Open Doors has been able to provide needed Christian materials for believers in this region. Praise God for allowing this to happen!

May 29 | NIGERIA

Open Doors has been able to help several believers rebuild their homes and churches. Praise God!

May 30 | MIDDLE EAST

Many people are coming to Christ through dreams and visions. Praise God for speaking to them in this way.

May 31 | WORLDWIDE

Praise God for the impact several letter-writing campaigns have had on persecuted believers. Many are very encouraged!

*Names changed to protect the identities

Praying Through the World Watch List

May 3-9 | UZBEKISTAN #15

- + Pray for strength for believers who are under pressure to betray their fellow Christians.
- + Obtaining a Bible can be difficult for many Christians. Pray that Christian materials and Bibles will get into their hands without consequences from the government.

May 10-16 | VIETNAM #16

- + Praise the Lord for the 584 young people who grew spiritually in the Lord through five Open Doors-sponsored youth camps across the country in 2014.
- + Pray that the Christians who were imprisoned might keep the faith and that their families and fellow believers will encourage them.

May 17-23 | CENTRAL AFRICAN REPUBLIC #17

- + Pray that women who have been raped or sexually assaulted will receive trauma counseling and encouragement from the Christian community.
- + Pray that the violence and unrest which has devastated the country will end in 2015.

May 24-30 | QATAR #18

- + Pray for migrant workers, many of them Christians from Africa who live in poverty, to keep the faith and be able to worship safely in their homes.
- + Pray that the strict government will relax their restrictions on religious freedom for all faiths.

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for persecuted
Christians worldwide



YES, AND ALL THAT WILL LIVE GODLY IN
CHRIST JESUS SHALL SUFFER PERSECUTION.

(2 TIMOTHY 3:12)

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Pastors



From the LORD comes deliverance. May Your blessing be on Your people.
— Psalm 3:8

May 1 | COLOMBIA

Pastors are often targeted and attacked by rebel groups. Pray for their safety.

May 2 | SYRIA

Pray for those who are ministering to both Iraqi and Syrian refugees who have been displaced by the Islamic State.

May 3 | CENTRAL ASIA

A pastor has been harassed by police consistently for the past several months because of his ministry. Pray for his safety.

May 4 | ETHIOPIA

Pastors in rural areas can face threats aimed at both their families and churches. Pray for their safety.

May 5 | IRAQ

Pray for leaders and pastors who are preparing to care for refugees in the summer months. Pray for wisdom and for their needs to be met.

Refugees



"For I was hungry and you gave me something to eat, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink, I was a stranger and you invited me in."
— Matthew 25:35

May 6 | NIGERIA

Christian homes have been destroyed in recent attacks. Pray for the safety of these believers who are now displaced.

May 7 | CENTRAL AFRICAN REPUBLIC

Several Christians have no homes to go back to and no means to build new homes. Pray for their needs to be met.

May 8 | IRAQ/SYRIA

Many refugees fear they will never be able to return home. Pray for God to bring them peace.

May 9 | LEBANON

More and more people from Iraq and Syria are coming to Lebanon as refugees. There are now more refugees than Lebanese. Pray that they might find peace and draw closer to Christ.

Women



She opens her arms to the poor and extends her hands to the needy.
— Proverbs 31:20

May 10 | MIDDLE EAST

Open Doors provides job-skills training to Christian women in several countries in this region. Pray that these training sessions will empower Christian women to stand strong and be able to help them provide for their families.

May 11 | SOUTHEAST ASIA

Several women are receiving Christian training to reach out to their persecutors. Pray for this to be a fruitful experience!

May 12 | EGYPT

Christian girls in rural parts of Egypt are the targets of kidnappings and are forced into marriage with Islamic extremists. Pray for their safety.

May 13 | ARABIAN PENINSULA

Pray for women who are attacked for their faith. Pray for God's protection.

May 14 | WORLDWIDE

Women often face twice the amount of discrimination and persecution because they are Christians and because of their status in society as a woman. Pray for them to remain strong.

Churches



But you are a chosen people, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, God's special possession, that you may declare the praises of Him who called you out of darkness into His wonderful light.
— 1 Peter 2:9

May 15 | NORTH AFRICA

Some church members have faced recent attacks. Pray for their safety.

May 16 | NIGERIA

Several churches have been on the alert due to recent, nearby attacks. Pray for their safety.

May 17 | CHINA

Pray for house churches in rural areas. Pray for their protection.

May 18 | MEXICO

Churches can face extortion from local cartels because they believe Christians have money. Pray for God to protect them.

May 19 | CENTRAL ASIA

There has been an increase in house church raids by police. Pray for the safety of these believers.

Government



Rulers persecute me without cause, but my heart trembles at your Word. I rejoice in Your promise like one who finds great spoil.
— Psalm 119:161-162

May 20 | NORTH KOREA

Pray for Kim Jong-Un, that he might come to Christ and change his ways.

May 21 | INDIA

Pray that local governments in rural communities would protect the rights of Christians and keep them safe.

May 22 | MYANMAR (BURMA)

Pray that the government would not introduce legislation that is harmful to Christians. Pray the governmental leaders would treat all people in this country fairly.

May 23 | NIGERIA

Pray for the government to have wisdom in dealing with Boko Haram. Pray for God's direction.

Prisoners



The LORD hears the needy and does not despise His captive people.
— Psalm 69:33