



IRAQ

IRAQ / WWL #3

- Persecution increased in every sphere of life in 2014
- There are 300,000 Christians in a population of 35.8 million
- In areas captured by the Islamic State, the Christian community has virtually disappeared
- The Christians most affected by persecution are converts from Islam
- Churches are demolished or repurposed



SYRIA

SYRIA / WWL #4

- Syria is entering its fifth year of civil war
- There are 1.1 million Christians in a population of 22.3 million
- A strict version of Sharia Law was implemented in June 2014
- Many Christians have fled Syria
- There are growing numbers of people putting their trust in Jesus



IRAN

IRAN / WWL #7

- Over 75 Christians have been arrested since November 2014
- There are 450,000 Christians in a population of 79.5 million
- It is illegal to convert to Christianity if you aren't Assyrian or Armenian
- One of the main sources of persecution is ecclesiastical arrogance, which is when one denomination oppresses others to remain dominant
- Some leaders in historical Christian communities persecute non-traditional Christian communities



YEMEN

YEMEN / WWL #14

- Converting from Islam is illegal and is punishable by death
- Constant leadership change and unstable government has led to increased persecution
- There are only a few thousand Christians in a population of 25.5 million
- Evangelism is illegal, including for foreigners
- Most Christian converts face violence from their families

Web Resources:

- Open Doors: opendoorsusa.org
- Voice of the Martyrs: persecution.com
- Day of Prayer resources: secure.persecution.com/idop/
- Saylorville Missions: saylorvillechurch.com/group/missionaries/

Print Resources:

- Voice of the Martyrs Magazine
- Dispatches from the Front: Stories of Gospel Advance in the World's Difficult Places - by Tim Keesee
- Foxe's Book of Martyrs - by John Foxe
- Jesus Freaks - by DC Talk and Voice of the Martyrs

Video Resources:

- dispatchesfromthefront.org/
- RightNow Media - Secret Church - by David Platt

Web Resources:

- Open Doors: opendoorsusa.org
- Voice of the Martyrs: persecution.com
- Day of Prayer resources: secure.persecution.com/idop/
- Saylorville Missions: saylorvillechurch.com/group/missionaries/

Print Resources:

- Voice of the Martyrs Magazine
- Dispatches from the Front: Stories of Gospel Advance in the World's Difficult Places - by Tim Keesee
- Foxe's Book of Martyrs - by John Foxe
- Jesus Freaks - by DC Talk and Voice of the Martyrs

Video Resources:

- dispatchesfromthefront.org/
- RightNow Media - Secret Church - by David Platt

Web Resources:

- Open Doors: opendoorsusa.org
- Voice of the Martyrs: persecution.com
- Day of Prayer resources: secure.persecution.com/idop/
- Saylorville Missions: saylorvillechurch.com/group/missionaries/

Print Resources:

- Voice of the Martyrs Magazine
- Dispatches from the Front: Stories of Gospel Advance in the World's Difficult Places - by Tim Keesee
- Foxe's Book of Martyrs - by John Foxe
- Jesus Freaks - by DC Talk and Voice of the Martyrs

Video Resources:

- dispatchesfromthefront.org/
- RightNow Media - Secret Church - by David Platt

Web Resources:

- Open Doors: opendoorsusa.org
- Voice of the Martyrs: persecution.com
- Day of Prayer resources: secure.persecution.com/idop/
- Saylorville Missions: saylorvillechurch.com/group/missionaries/

Print Resources:

- Voice of the Martyrs Magazine
- Dispatches from the Front: Stories of Gospel Advance in the World's Difficult Places - by Tim Keesee
- Foxe's Book of Martyrs - by John Foxe
- Jesus Freaks - by DC Talk and Voice of the Martyrs

Video Resources:

- dispatchesfromthefront.org/
- RightNow Media - Secret Church - by David Platt