

ICC PRIMER

Since 1995, International Christian Concern (ICC) has served the global persecuted church through a three-pronged approach of advocacy, assistance, and awareness. ICC exists to bandage the wounds of persecuted Christians and to build the church in the toughest parts of the world.

WE ADVOCATE

by working with government leaders to challenge persecuting countries

WE ASSIST

by building and bandaging the persecuted church.

WE AWAKEN

by bringing persecution awareness to the sacred and secular world.

WE BANDAGE

the wounds of victims, care for the families of martyred pastors, and rebuild communities.

WE BUILD

the church by broadcasting the gospel, delivering Bibles, and training and sending church planters in the most hostile places on earth.

SOURCES OF PERSECUTION



EVIL

"For our struggle is not against flesh and blood, but against the rulers, against the authorities, against the powers of this dark world and against the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly realms." Ephesians 6:12



RADICAL ISLAM

Fundamentalist Islam is intolerant toward other faiths, and Christians suffer greatly in radical Muslim countries such as Egypt, Pakistan, Saudi Arabia, Iran, Iraq, and Indonesia.



MARXISM

In communist countries like Cuba, China, Vietnam, Laos, and North Korea, Christians are targeted because of their allegiance to Christ instead of the Marxist regimes.



CULTURAL

Christian persecution occurs because of social and cultural discrimination. Human beings in general are afraid and intolerant of that which is different.

"Blessed are those who are persecuted because of righteousness, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven." MATTHEW 5:10

TYPES OF PERSECUTION

DIRECT



ARRESTS IMPRISONMENT/ TORTURE



ASSASSINATION MARTYRDOM



RESTRICTIONS ON CHURCHES & BIBLES



FORCED CONVERSIONS



ATTACKS ON LIFE & PROPERTY



CRIMES AGAINST WOMEN

INDIRECT



EDUCATION DISCRIMINATION



JOB DISCRIMINATION



DENIAL OF



LEGAL RESTRICTIONS

WHO WE ARE

OUR STAFF

ICC has about 50 worldwide staff—half in Washington, D.C., and half spread throughout the world. Regional managers (Africa, Middle East, South Asia, and Southeast Asia) and project coordinators oversee indigenous staff to assist victims and report attacks. Expert analysts work closely with government officials and advocate for victims on Capitol Hill and beyond. ICC strives daily to make the world aware of the suffering of persecuted believers.

LEADERSHIP

Jeff King has served as ICC President since 2003 and is one of the world's top experts on religious persecution. He has advocated for the persecuted everywhere from small and large churches, the State Department, and the halls of Congress. Jeff has testified before the U.S. Congress on religious freedom and been interviewed by numerous leading media outlets such as the New York Times, Wall Street Journal, and The Washington Post. He is author of *Islam Uncensored*, and *Last Words of the Martyrs*.

WHAT SETS ICC APART?

SPECIAL FORCES

We are fast, nimble, and get in where others can't and execute difficult missions on the ground.

LONG TERM CARE

We don't parachute in. We work with victims for the long term when needed but don't create dependency.

TRACK RECORD

We have a 5-Star Charity Navigator Rating with 26 years in ministry. We have a long history of growth.

★ MINISTRY FIRST

We focus on ministry over fundraising, serving the Lord and the persecuted first. We believe funds follow Godly work.

MAJOR PROJECTS

NIGERIA FARMS

We help Christians who have suffered at the hands of Fulani militants rebuild and sustain their lives through 20 communal farms.

GENERATION TRANSFORMATION

We break generational persecution by providing college-age students with education, small business grants, and vocational training.

HOPE HOUSE

We give children in Egypt a better life through educational and Bible programs.

CHURCH PLANTERS

We have a robust Bikes and Bibles program and are training 200 more church planters to grow the church in India.

AFGHANISTAN RESCUE

We continue to assist, rescue, and shelter families since the Taliban takeover in August 2021.

ANNUAL PERSECUTOR OF THE YEAR AWARDS

This annual report and press event identifies and calls out the worst oppressors in three categories:
Country, Entity, and Individual.

FUND DISTRIBUTION

43% Restore Fund

32% Rescue Fund

15% Messenger Fund

10% Gospel Fund

RESTORE

The Restore fund addresses larger needs that impact entire communities after the church suffers persecution.

RESCUE

When believers are stripped of their ability to provide, our Rescue fund helps get families back on their feet after persecution.

MESSENGER

ICC supports indigenous church planters, pastors, and church workers in the world's most dangerous places.

GOSPEL

ICC spreads the gospel using printed Bibles, radio broadcasts, and discipleship materials in places hostile toward Christianity.