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Pakistan

Source of Persecution Islamic Oppression

Population 196,744,000

Christians 3,938,000

Main Religion Islam

Government Federal Parliamentary Republic

Leader Prime Minister Shahid Khaqan Abbasi


Profile of Persecution

Based on World Watch List 2018 Data

Violence 

Violence 99.8% 



Church life 79% 



National life 90% 



Pressure 

Community life 82.5% 



Family life 81% 



Private life 86% 



Persecution in Society and the Home

Much of the Christian persecution in Pakistan comes from radical Islamic groups that flourish under the favor of political parties, the army and the government. These radical Islamic groups run thousands of Islamic education centers where youth are taught and encouraged to persecute religious minorities like Christians.

However, the main sources of danger for Christians often come from their own families, since conversion from Islam is seen as cause for shame.

Prayer Points

- Pray for Pakistani converts from Muslim backgrounds who suffer the brunt of the persecution in Pakistan. Radical Islamist groups see them as apostates, and their family, friends and neighbors see their conversion as shameful to the community.
- Pray for safety and protection for the Christian women and girls in Pakistan who must live under the threat of abduction, rape and forced marriage.