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International Christian Response INTERNATIONAL DAY OF PRAYER
for the PERSECUTED CHURCH

NIAMEY

Sokoto

Katsina

Gusau

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Maiduguri

N'DJAMENA

Zaria

Kaduna

Kumo

BENIN

NIGERIA

ABUJA

Ilorin

Lafia

Oyo

Ogbomosho

Ede

Makurdi

Ibadan

Akure

Benin City

Enugu

Sapele

Onitsha

Warri

Port Harcourt

Calabar

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COUNTRY:
NIGERIA

TYPE OF PERSECUTION:
EXTREMISTS / TERRORIST GROUPS

SEVERITY OF PERSECUTION:
EXTREME



NIGERIA

Boko Haram, ISWAP, and extremist Fulani groups continue to target Christian communities in northern and central Nigeria.

Villages are burned, families displaced, and believers kidnapped or killed because of their faith.

Around 3 million people are internally displaced due to violence in the north.

Despite the violence, the Church continues to worship, serve, and grow.



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On the 2026 World Watch List of the most difficult places to be a Christian.

People displaced because of violence, forcing families from their homes.

Christians estimated killed over the past 20 years as extremist violence has devastated communities.



FROM PERSECUTION
TO PERSEVERANCE

MEET IDRIS*

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A LIFE CHANGED BY JESUS

Idris* came from a prominent Fulani Muslim family and taught Islam. After encountering Jesus, he chose to follow Christ and began sharing the gospel.

PERSECUTION FOLLOWED

His family tried to kill him, forcing him to flee. Years later, he was attacked with a machete while preaching and left with lasting injuries.

THE CHURCH STANDS WITH HIM

ICR's local partner helped relocate Idris and his family and continues providing medicine, education, and practical support as they rebuild their lives.



OPEN PROJECTS

SUPPORT WIDOWS

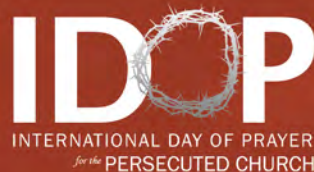
Help provide spiritual encouragement, trauma support, and community through small groups led by widows themselves.

PROVIDE PRACTICAL RELIEF

Help meet urgent needs such as food, medical care, housing, and school support for families affected by persecution and displacement.

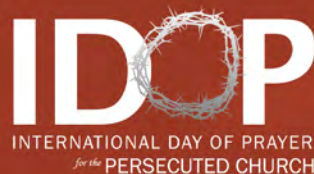
EQUIP THE NEXT GENERATION

Help displaced young people receive discipleship, vocational training, and practical skills that prepare them for a more stable future.



OUR PRAYER

Father, we lift up the persecuted Church in Nigeria. Bring healing to those carrying trauma and loss, strengthen widows and families who have suffered, and give pastors courage to remain faithful. Bring unity and reconciliation across the country, and move government leaders to protect the vulnerable and confront violence and corruption. We also pray for those who persecute Christians—that they would encounter Jesus and be transformed. Amen.



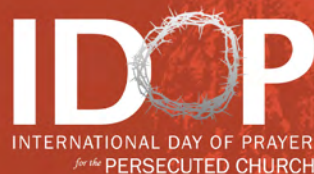
**YOU CAN
MAKE A
DIFFERENCE**

GIVE

Your partnership makes
real change in the lives of
those suffering for Christ.

PRAY

One of the most effective
ways to partner with the
global church is to pray.
All Christians have the
ability to pray!



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