



International Day of Prayer for the Persecuted Church

Sunday, November 4

“If one part suffers, all the parts suffer with it, and if one part is honored, all the parts are glad.”
1 Corinthians 12:26

What if? What if you could **not** have a Bible app on your phone, or blast the latest Hezekiah Walker song from your car radio? What if you could **not** get married in a church, or head off to worship service on Sunday mornings? What if you could **not** call the name “Jesus” out loud when you think of His goodness? Christians in many parts of the world can be abducted, imprisoned, raped or killed for doing these and other things that we take for granted. Sunday, November 4, is the International Day of Prayer for the Persecuted Church (IDOP). Christians worldwide will stand together in lifting up those around the world who are persecuted for following Jesus Christ. Special prayer focus will be given to believers living in North Korea, which is considered to be the most difficult place in the world to be a Christian. The world’s attention turned to the Korean peninsula in early 2018, and for the first time in years, North Korean President Kim Jong-un and other leaders of the North Korean regime began engaging in open conversation with leaders of the free world.

You’re invited to join in prayer for persecuted Christians in North Korea leading up to the IDOP. Open Doors, an international nonprofit, serves persecuted Christians worldwide in more than 60 countries, empowering and equipping those suffering for their Christian beliefs. Open Doors is praying that God will raise up 100,000 Christians who will commit to standing in prayer with their brothers and sisters in the underground church of North Korea for the International Day of Prayer for the Persecuted Church. Please join us in joining them!

PRAAYER POINTS: (Praying specifically with North Korean believers)

- Pray with North Korean Christians for their protection, strength and endurance. They face persecution from state authorities and their non-Christian families, friends and neighbors.

- Pray that North Korean President Kim Jong-un and his regime will come to know the one true God and open his country to the Gospel for healing and restoration.
- Pray that God will move on Kim Jong-un to release the estimated 50,000 Christians who are unjustly held in detention centers and prison camps throughout the country.
- Pray that the underground church will grow in boldness and be ready for widespread evangelism efforts when the opportunity arises.
- Pray that Kim Jong-un will allow for the creation of new churches where North Koreans can freely worship.

For more information, please visit the Open Doors website at www.opendoorsusa.org.