



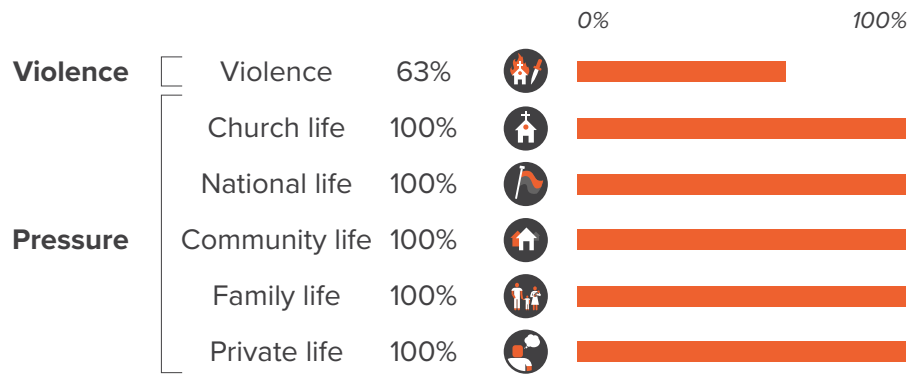
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NORTH KOREA

Leader Kim Jong-un
Population 25.4 million
Christians 300,000
Main Religion Atheism/traditional beliefs

How bad is it?

This chart shows the extremity of persecution against Christians based on data from the Open Doors World Watch List 2018



Persecution is led by the state which sees Christians as hostile elements that have to be eradicated.

Due to constant indoctrination, neighbours and family members, including children, are highly watchful and report anything suspicious to the authorities. If Christians are discovered, they are deported to labour camps as political criminals or killed on the spot; their families share their fate. Meeting for worship is almost impossible, so is done in utmost secrecy. The churches shown to visitors in Pyongyang serve mere propaganda purposes.

Open Doors supports the church in North Korea with emergency relief aid and Christian materials, and provides shelter and training to North Korean believers in China.

Pray

- For God to comfort and strengthen His followers, especially those who suffer in prisons, labour camps and remote areas
- That God would speak to Kim Jong-Un, giving him a revelation of Jesus, the servant king
- That the power of evil in this nation will be broken and its people healed and restored.