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brothers and sisters  
as One Church,  
One Family.

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**PRAY for the small community of Christians** who remain in Afghanistan after the Taliban's takeover. Ask God to provide for their needs, give them protection, and let them know they are not alone, and the worldwide Church stands with them.

**PRAY for Christians in Egypt, Iraq and Syria** to have the courage and wisdom to be bold for Jesus in the face of ongoing discrimination. And ask God to prepare Christians in some parts of the country for the reality of violent attacks by extremists.

**PRAY for Christians in North Korea, Somalia, Eritrea, and Iran** who are imprisoned or held captive for their faith. Ask God to give them the comfort of the Holy Spirit—and pray for their expedited release and freedom.

**PRAY for young Christian girls** who face the threat of abduction and forced marriage in Muslim-majority countries like Egypt. Ask God to move the authorities to take these abductions seriously and prosecute the perpetrators swiftly and with justice.

**PRAY for persecuted Christians** who have been displaced from their homes by extremist attacks in countries like Nigeria, Egypt, Syria and Burkina Faso. These believers have lost all their earthly belongings. Pray that God would provide for their needs and that they would know they are not alone.

**PRAY for the pastors and Christian leaders** of the persecuted Church. Ask God to give them wisdom in leading their congregations, guiding them to be prepared for persecution—helping them forgive and love their enemies.

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