



伊朗：一機構報導，在這全球第九位最逼迫基督徒的國家，去年某教會一次為228名前穆斯林施浸，是幾百年來最多人受浸的場面，他們更期待有數以千計的人受浸。由於當局的逼迫，在不滿神權政府者心中產生反作用，對基督教更好奇，視耶穌是他們敵人的敵人，成為了他們的朋友。

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美國：20%來自拉美裔的成人是基督徒。其中近50%是前天主教徒，60%是移民(一半來美國後改教)，分別原籍薩爾瓦多(32%)、波多黎各(22%)、多明尼加(16%)、墨西哥(13%)及古巴(8%)，有28%不屬五旬節宗或靈恩派的，52%相信成功神學，而增長最快的年齡層是31-49歲。至於改教的原因，59%停止相信天主教教導，45%漸漸脫離天主教，9%與非天主教徒結婚。

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尼泊爾：一位信徒歸主兩年以來，不以她的信仰為恥，幫助了30多人信耶穌，引致20名女印度教徒攻擊並毆打她。一機構給她安全的居所，照顧她，她極需代禱。

<Voice of the Martyrs, www.persecution.com, 8/5/14>

受禁話題：中東及北非觀眾很喜歡收看一個福音媒體的大膽節目。節目從基督教觀點出發，涉及高敏感度的話題，如人口販賣、性暴行、收養子女等。近期曾談及「榮譽殺害」。主持者開場時提及，在保守文化中通常會殺害被性侵犯的婦女，以掩飾某些醜聞或施辱者。他跟著問道：「那些男子呢？」接著，一個女子出現敘述她的故事：被父親性虐待，家人不肯援助，離家出走，修讀法律學位，愛上一較年長的已婚男子，懷孕。她僥倖逃過被鎗殺，因為鎗失靈。她遇到一位婦女，並未論斷她，反而與她分享神的愛，她最終成為了基督徒。這節目很受歡迎。

<Sat-7, www.sat7usa.org, 7/3/14>

法國：教會聚會人數是全球最低地區之一，福音派信徒不到2%，全國有300多個人口在1萬以上的市鎮沒有任何福音工作。一對宣教士夫婦舉辦一般性的傳福音活動，如查經班等，不受歡迎，遂改用切合人需要的聚會，如研討家庭問題。他們每月舉行兩次研習班，以聖經原則

研討婚姻、養育子女、與年青人溝通等課題。吸引基督徒與非基督徒到來，藉此分享信仰，特別在與家庭及夫婦面談時機會更多。

<The Mission Society, www.themissionsociety.org, 7/2/14>

日本：原是全球最有秩序的社會，正經歷前所未聞的變動，導致人心不穩及不安，特別在2011年發生的三重災禍(地震—海嘯—核電廠損毀)後。近期一福音船到訪，船員留意人心的劇變：由對福音冷漠到有興趣回應。當地教會雖小，也有同樣的經歷。

<Operation Mobilization, www.omusa.org, 6/23/14>

馬來西亞：6月底，最高法院拒絕一教會反對地方法庭禁止教會出版物使用阿拉(馬來文「神」)一詞的申請，這場爭戰始自2008年。有幾州甚至禁止在基督徒與伊斯蘭無關的討論中使用某30個阿拉伯文，包括「阿拉」的9個在東馬教會常用聖經內出現的字。但基督徒協會認為最高法院的決定，只限用於該教會，基督徒仍可如常使用阿拉一詞。

<Open Doors USA, www.opendoorsusa.org, 6/26/14>

尼日利亞：恐怖分子集團的名字「布科哈難」，意思是「西方教育邪惡」，故任何與西方有關的事都要被摧毀，包括教育與民主組織，特別是基督教會。這些暴行在2000年時開始，此後與日俱增。面臨極度殘酷暴行，基督徒仍不屈不撓，照常勇敢聚會。最近有報導，一群恐怖分子接受了45份錄音聖經，其中一名成為信徒。

<Open Doors USA, www.opendoorsusa.org, 7/3/14>

<China Aid Association, www.chinaaid.org, 6/24/14>

埃及：文盲的基督徒母親，尤其在鄉村中的，與年青子女有嚴重的代溝。子女受了教育，又有機會使用學校電腦，似乎活在另一個世界。6個月前，一機構在南部城市開始了婦女事工，幫助1,000名20-45歲的基督徒婦女，教導如何為子女及與子女禱告，明白孩子們這階段的生命及需要。大大的改進了與子女的關係，她們都很感激。

<Open Doors USA, www.opendoorsusa.org, 7/3/14>



Iran: In this world's 9th worst persecutor nation of Christians, an agency reported, last year, 228 former Muslims participated in the church's largest baptism in centuries. They expect thousands more as the crackdown on Christianity backfires, making the faith more intriguing to those disillusioned with theocracy. In other words, Jesus—the enemy of their enemy—is becoming their friend.

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USA: One out of five Latino adults is now Protestant. Of them, nearly half are former Catholics; 60% foreign born (half converted after coming to US); 32% from Salvador, 22% Puerto Rican, 16% Dominican, 13% Mexican, 8% Cuban; 28% not Pentecostals or charismatics; 52% believing in prosperity gospel; age 31 to 49 group showing most significant growth. As for reasons of conversion, 59% stopped believing Catholic teachings, 51% found evangelical churches help member more, 45% gradually drift away, 9% married non-Catholics.

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Nepal: A new 2-year believer has helped over 30 people accept Christ. Because she has not been ashamed to share her faith, 20 Hindu women attacked and beat her. An agency brought her to a safe house and will care for her. She needs much prayers.

<Voice of the Martyrs, www.persecution.com, 8/5/14>

Forbidden Topics: A TV ministry's boldly-aired program is widely watched in Middle East and North Africa. It tackles sensitive topics ranging from human trafficking and sexual violence to adoption all from a Christian viewpoint. A recent episode dealt with "Honor killing." The host opened by saying that it is typically committed against a woman having sexual relations outside of conservative culture by those intend to get rid of some scandal or shame. Then he asked the listeners, "Where are the men?" A woman followed and told her story: a father who abused her, a family not willing to help her, running away to pursue a law degree, seeking love of an older/married man, and gotten pregnant. She escaped from being killed only because the gunman's gun jammed. She became a Christian after meeting a woman who did not judge her but shared with her God's love. The program was well received.

<Sat-7, www.sat7usa.org, 7/3/14>

France: Church attendance here is among the lowest in the world. Less than 2% of people are evangelicals and over 300 towns with over 10,000 people have no evangelical witness. A missionary couple, after meeting much resistance on normal outreach methods such as Bible studies, took a different approach in meeting a felt need: home problems.

Twice a month they hold seminars on some aspect of marriage, parenting, communication with teenagers, etc based on biblical principles. Christians and non-Christians come. Opportunities arise to share faith especially as they meet families and couples one-on-one.

<The Mission Society, www.themissionsociety.org, 7/2/14>

Japan: As one of the most orderly societies in the world, it is experiencing unprecedented social upheaval causing insecurity and uncertainty. It is especially so after the triple disaster in 2011: earthquake-tsunami-nuclear disaster. During recent visit of a gospel ship, staffers noticed people's changed attitude from cool indifference to warm response to the gospel. The local churches though small have the same experiences.

<Operation Mobilization, www.omusa.org, 6/23/14>

Malaysia: At the end of June, the highest court refused a church's request to challenge a court verdict that banned the word, Allah, or God, from being used in its publication. This is a back-and-forth battle started in 2008. In several states, Christians are forbidden to use 30 Arabic words outside of Muslim context. Nine of these words including Allah are in the local Bibles mainly used by East Malaysians. But the Christian Federation considered the verdict is confined to this particular case, and Christians still can use Allah as usual.

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Nigeria: "Boko Haram," the name of the terrorist group, literally means "Western education is evil." Thus, everything associated with the west is evil and to be destroyed, including educational and democratic institutions, particularly Christian churches. The terrorist events started in early 2000s, and gotten increasingly worst. Facing much cruelty, Christians are standing firm, and keep meeting bravely. A recent report said that a group of the terrorists accepted 45 audio Bibles, and one of them became a believer.

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<China Aid Association, www.chinaaid.org, 6/24/14>

Egypt: The generation gap of illiterate Christian mothers raising teenage girls is pretty serious especially in the rural villages. With them in school and having the opportunity to use the computers, the girls seem to live in a different world. An agency started a Women's Ministry 6 months ago in the Southern cities. It has helped 1,000 rural Christian women of ages 20-45 learn how to pray with and for their children, understanding this phase in children's life, and their needs. It has made quite a difference and has been very appreciated by the women.

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