

Dear Friends,

The Chinese government is increasing persecution against God's people. Pastors are being arrested and are disappearing, churches are being closed down and Bibles are being confiscated and destroyed. The Chinese Government is rewriting the Bible.

New Government policies whose aim is to stop the growth of Christianity in China

1. All 'house churches must register. But it is nearly impossible to register.
2. It is illegal to preach religion to any young person in the Communist Youth League.
3. All people under 18 years old are forbidden to attend any church. Sunday School is now illegal!
4. In many parts of China crosses on churches have been totally removed, and hundreds of churches; some mega-churches have been completely destroyed.
5. Many official churches must place photos of Chairman Mao Tse-tung and President Xi in the front and allow the communist Party official to lecture on Communism in the church.

The messages are: "Love the Communist Party (number 1) and then 'love the church'" (number 2)

6. In many parts of China, young Christians have been arrested, 'brainwashed' and forced to sign statements in which they renounce belief in Christ and declare they are atheists. They must state they were misled and deceived by their 'Christian parents' and others, and now know this religion is simply superstition and a cult.

The Chinese Church needs our help. Please take a few minutes to pray for the Chinese believers, that they will be strong in their faith and those in prison will be a bold witness for Jesus. Please sign the petition for President asking for his help. We also have postcards for people to sign and send into the Chinese Ambassador in Washington. If you email us or call us we will send as many postcards as you want, we want to get as many Christians, Churches, Bible Study groups etc. as we can to contact the Chinese Ambassador. The Chinese Church needs our prayers and our voice to speak out today. Thank you and God Bless!

Continue to remember those in prison as if you were together with them in prison, and those who are mistreated as if you yourselves were suffering.

Hebrews 13:3

Upcoming Trips

Please prayerfully consider joining us on our trips to many regions of the world evangelizing and creating disciples!

Closed Central American Nation Bible Smuggling: January 16-22/January 29-February 6/March 6-12

Closed SE Asia Bible smuggling: January 2-15/January 17-31

India April 19-32/April 23-May 2

[Apply here](#) to join us as we serve the persecuted church and help to heal the brokenhearted!

Praise Reports

- Praise the Lord! This past Saturday, previous travelers with VBB and students from Truett McConnel came down to Clarkston to assist in setting up a computer lab at the new facility at Clarkston International Bible Church. After assisting Pastor Bennett set up the computer lab, the team ministered to the refugees in a nearby complex. We met a family there from Afghanistan who had previously worked with US troops in the Middle East. We were able to clearly present the Gospel to the father who is a practicing Muslim. Continue to pray for this family and the other families we have developed relationships with there.
- Praise the Lord! Our container from the Casper Warehouse was sent out on Monday! 23 1/2 pallets were sent with over 1,535 pounds of just stuff sacks! Praise God that we have so many loving volunteers and donors to support Gods ministry!

Prayer Requests

- Pray for China as the churches are being shut down and facing horrible persecution. Pray for Chinese government that they will come to Christ and see that what they are doing is wrong. Pray the citizens get to register their churches and have fellowship with the Lord in a public manner. Pray that God will overpower their government and save many!

- Pray for the container that got sent out this past Monday. Pray that it leads many to Christ and that the contents fill their needs! Pray the refugees will feel loved and cared for and that their needs are met!

Current Needs

Friends,

Persecution for the believers living in China is increasing. Vision Beyond Borders has started a petition calling for action by our government. The petition must have 100,000 signatures within 30 days for the president to take action. **Please take a brief moment to sign the petition, pray for the church in China, and forward the link to others.** This will take less than a minute of your time to complete.

Follow this link: <https://petitions.whitehouse.gov/petition/religious-persecution-china>

We are working with other ministries to get this project moving forward, and we would appreciate your assistance in raising awareness of the persecution in China.

Donations can be made at visionbeyondborders.org/give
or mailed to Vision Beyond Borders PO Box 2635, Casper, WY 82602.