

## North Korea

Source of Persecution Communist and Post-communist Oppression
Population 25,405,000
Christians 300,000
Main Religion Atheism/Traditional Beliefs
Government Communist Dictator
Leader Kim Jong-Un

## Profile of Persecution Based on World Watch List 2018 Data

Violence 63%

Church life 99.8%

National life 99.8%

Family life 99.8%

Private life 99.8%

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## Pressure Against Christians at the Highest Level

The primary driver of persecution in North Korea is the state. For three generations, everything in the country focused on idolizing the leading Kim family. Christians are seen as hostile elements in society that have to be eradicated. Due to the constant indoctrination permeating the whole country, neighbors and even family members are highly watchful and report any suspicious religious activity to the authorities.

## **Prayer Points**

- Pray that the country's rulers will come to know God, for the protection of the North Korean Church, and for healing and restoration to take place in this country.
- The situation for Christians is vulnerable and precarious. They face persecution from state authorities and their non-Christian family, friends and neighbors. Pray for their protection.
- Pray for strength and courage for Christians who suffer in prisons, labor camps and remote areas.