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Saudi Arabia

Source of Persecution Islamic Oppression

Population 32,743,000

Christians 1,406,000

Main Religion Islam

Government Absolute Monarchy

Leader King Salman bin Abdulaziz al-Saud

Profile of Persecution

Based on World Watch List 2018 Data

Violence 

Violence 24%



Church life 98%



National life 93%



Pressure 

Community life 85%



Family life 82%



Private life 89%



Strict Islamic System

Anti-Christian feelings are common among Saudi citizens. Government officials create and maintain a strict Islamic system that treats Christians as second-class citizens and denies places of worship to any other religion than Islam.

The few Saudi Christians from a Muslim background face even more pressure. Nevertheless, the small number of Saudi Christians is increasing and they are also becoming bolder, sharing their Christian faith with others on the internet and Christian satellite TV channels.

Prayer Points

- Pray that Saudis who recently embraced the truth of the gospel would become strong and mature in the Lord.
- Pray that Christian Saudis will find ways to share the truth with their own family members.
- Ask God to strengthen the Church and give leaders wisdom and boldness in the face of intense Islamic oppression.