

# THE PERSECUTION CHRONICLES

*“If they persecuted me, they will persecute you.”*

*~Jesus*

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Persecution of Christians and Antisemitism against Jews is raging throughout the world and metastasizing like a viral cancer into and through the mind and heart of the western world and American life. This development is one of the key characteristics revealed in Scripture describing the very end of the age as we approach the final end-time events preceding the return of Christ.

## **Updated Periodically**

These chronicles will be updated as appropriate and will reflect both PERSECUTION of Christians and ANTISEMITISM toward the Jewish people. They will serve to augment the record as contained in the new book...

*WHEN PERSECUTION COMES*

*Preparing Hearts for Perilous Times*

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## **How Would You Respond?**

Persecution comes in many forms as is revealed in the various reports contained in these continuing chronicles. These include discrimination, economic sanctions, imprisonment, threats to families and organizations, cancelling speech, cancelling rights to practice law, medicine, teaching or nursing (much of which masquerades as “political”, and ultimately death. Consider placing yourself in the position of those suffering these various forms of persecution. How would you respond?

## **CHRISTIAN PERSECUTION**

### **Date Reported**

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| September 23, 2024 | Jihadists slit throats of 26 Christians during worship service in Burkina Faso. (Christianpost.com)   |
| October 1, 2024    | The new Lausanne ‘State of the Great Commission’ briefing reports that, “State restrictions on religion have grown throughout the world. State support for Christianity has declined” and “Today more than 360 million Christians worldwide suffer high levels of persecution and discrimination for their faith.” It adds, “the rising tide of violence targeting Christians shows no sign of abatement.” (Christianpost.com)  |
| October 11, 2024   | China, Iran using AI to ‘track and repress’ Christians like never before, expert warns: ‘Truly Orwellian’. “In China, facial recognition techniques allow the Chinese Communist Party to monitor those who attend religious ceremonies, and so it enables them to track them and to repress them at a level that wasn’t available to them before. And similar technologies are available around the world.” (Christianpost.com) |
| August 30, 2024    | A young Christian man in Pakistan has been sentenced to death for allegedly uploading a blasphemous video to Tik Tok. (Christianpost.com)   |
| October 15, 2024   | Too ‘religious’: Georgia under fire for discriminating against Christians. (Wnd.com)  |

- October 17, 2024 Nigeria is arguably one of the most dangerous places to be a Christian right now, with a staggering 9 out of 10 religiously motivated murders in Sub-Saharan Africa taking place there. (Christianpost.com)
- October 16, 2024 'All I did was pray to God': English Court finds Christian man guilty of 'disapproval of abortion' for silently praying for son. (Christianpost.com)
- October 21, 2024 Meeting in Berlin, Germany, religious freedom experts from around the world raised concerns about "increasing intolerance" toward people of faith in Europe and North America, causing many believers to hide their beliefs. (Christianpost.com)
- October 18, 2024 Kamala hears someone shout 'Jesus is Lord' at her rally, she mocks Christian faith. (Wnd.com)
- October 20, 2024 'Tragic day': Fire chief gets fired for attending Christian event in Stockton, CA. (Wnd.com)
- October 22, 2024 Lawyer and judge in Family Court in TN call for father of three to be declared "mentally ill" for believing in the Bible. (Celiafarber.substack.com)
- October 23, 2024 Kamala Harris says no to 'religious exemptions' in national abortion law if elected. (Christianpost.com)
- October 24, 2024 Global persecution of Christians 'significantly worse,' authoritarian regimes more repressive. Christians are being 'terrorized' by 'extreme violence.' (Christianpost.com)
- October 25, 2024 Trump promises to combat the persecution of Christians worldwide. (Wnd.com)
- October 28, 2024 Boko Haram beheads Christian in shocking video of massacre. (Christianpost.com)
- October 30, 2024 Officials in a South Carolina city are claiming they have the right to decide when and how Christians can talk about their faith on public sidewalks. (Wnd.com)
- October 29, 2024 UK lawyer warns Christians of cultural consequences of LGBT laws: 'Sin protected, godliness punished.' (Christianpost.com)
- October 27, 2024 Ohio's state supreme court urged to tell school to stop discriminating against Christians. (Wnd.com)
- October 26, 2024 Pastor and family in eastern Uganda burned alive in Islamist attack after leading Muslims to Christ. Mother of 3 beaten, burned with acid for converting to Christianity. (Christianpost.com)
- January 17, 2024 Christian persecution surging, worst offender kills believers 'outright.' Open Doors US "reveals that some five million Christians were added to the list of those facing 'high levels of persecution and discrimination for their faith' in just the last year." "This means that 1 in 7 Christians experience pressure or violence because of their faith in Jesus." Sub-Saharan Africa remains the most violent place in the world for Christians. Do most

Christians in America have the strength of faith that believers overseas are demonstrating? (Wnd.com)

- November 17, 2024 A member of Finland’s parliament who has faced a years-long battle after sharing a Bible verse on social media refuses to back down from her freedom fight. Her legal battle began more than five years ago, when she challenged Finland’s main religious body, the Evangelical Lutheran Church, questioning why it had “decided to support, financially and publicly” a local LGBT pride parade. (Christianpost.com)
- November 16, 2024 Department of Education wrongfully denied nonprofit status to Christian university, 9<sup>th</sup> Circuit rules. (Christianpost.com)
- November 18, 2024 2,400 anti-Christian hate crimes reported in Europe in 2023. At least 1,230 anti-Christian hate crimes were allegedly committed by 10 of the European governments in 2023. These incidents took place in countries including France, Germany and the United Kingdom, which experienced some of the highest numbers of recorded incidents. (Christianpost.com)
- November 16, 2024 Federal prisons blocking faith groups from helping offenders overcome criminal past. (Christianpost.com)
- November 19, 2024 University sued over conspiracy depriving Christian church of constitutional rights to purchase property. (Wnd.com)

## **ANTISEMITISM**

- September 17, 2024 In Argentina, 2023 saw significant spike in antisemitism, with a 44% increase in reported antisemitic incidents in 2023. (Israelnationalnews.com)
- September 19, 2024 New survey finds Jewish teens facing a surge in antisemitism from peers and educators in school across the globe with nearly half of survey respondents reporting experiencing antisemitism. Jewish teens stated that ‘one of the most disturbing findings’ of the survey is the identification of peers as the main perpetrators of antisemitism, with 68.7% of teens pointing to their fellow students as the source of hostility. ‘Equally concerning is’ the fact that 26.6% of respondents reported facing antisemitism from teachers, and 27.4% from school administrators. (Israelnationalnews.com)
- October 1, 2024 Antisemitic attacks, incidents spike around the world in year after October 7. (Jpost.com)
- October 11, 2024 Journalists instructed not to acknowledge Jerusalem as part of Israel. CBS News is facing backlash after an internal memo instructed journalists not to refer to Jerusalem as part of Israel. The memo, sent by CBS News senior director of standards Mark Memmoff, emphasized the disputed status of Jerusalem, despite its recognition as Israel’s capital by the US government. Memmoff’s email advised CBS News staff to avoid saying Jerusalem is in Israel, noting that ‘the status of Jerusalem goes to the heart of the Israeli-Palestinian conflict.’ Israel considers Jerusalem its ‘eternal and undivided’ capital while Palestinians claim East Jerusalem—captured by Israel during the 1967 war—as the capital of a future Palestinian state. (Jpost.com)

- November 14, 2024 'A disgusting Jew': Uproar after Netflix casts Jewish-Israeli actress to play Mary, Jesus's mom. Netflix released the trailer earlier this week for Mary, its upcoming movie about Jesus's mother—a Jewish woman from the Middle East—and a good chunk of the internet is melting down, because the actress in the lead role is a Jewish woman from the Middle East. Noa Cohen, a 21-year-old Israeli actress, portrays the world's most famous Jewish mom in the movie but some social media users are calling for a boycott. Objections were raised both on the grounds that Cohen is Israeli and that she is Jewish. An X user wrote, 'A disgusting Jew got the part, lol.' (Jpost.com)
- November 17, 2024 Rabbi Mazuz calls on Diaspora Jews: 'It is forbidden to live in Europe.' Following the wave of antisemitism in Europe, Rabbi Meir Mazuz called on Jews living in Europe to immigrate to Israel. (Israelnationalnews.com)
- November 14, 2024 Following an attack against Israelis in Amsterdam after a soccer game we are reminded that November 9 marked the anniversary of one of history's darkest events: Kristallnacht, the 'Night of Broken Glass,' which signaled the beginning of the Nazi onslaught against Europe's Jews. On November 9-10, 1938, synagogues were torched, Jewish-owned businesses and homes were ransacked, and thousands of Jews were sent to concentration camps. Today, the rising tide of antisemitism in the United States and around the world makes us wonder if history is repeating itself. Antisemitic incidents in America, according to the American Defamation League's (ADL's) 2023 audit, have surged to record highs, underscoring an urgent need for action. (Christianpost.com)
- November 18, 2024 European Jewish Association calls on Europe to enact emergency antisemitism policy. Rabbi Menachem Margolin said Europe is in an "antisemitism emergency." "The situation of the Jewish people in Europe today, is the worst it has been since Kristallnacht," he said. He added that the continent was "long past the stage of warnings and prophecies." (Jpost.com)
- November 14, 2024 Trump to universities: Stamp out antisemitism or lose accreditation. Trump added that any colleges that permit antisemitic violence will be seen as violating the Civil Rights Law. (Jpost.com)

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