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Iraq



About

Iraqi society is becoming more Islamic and corruption in the country can lead to Christians losing their land and homes. Despite cities being liberated from the Islamic State, thousands of fighters remain in Iraq. Whilst it has been safe for some Christians to return home, many struggle to stay due to lack of jobs. Traditional and evangelical churches have been divided for many years. However, many church leaders said the Islamic State helped unify the church.

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Story

“For the majority of us, ISIS was a wakeup call. We were all busy with our lives, gathering money and putting money aside, but it made us wake up and cry for God.”

– Shlama*, Open Doors local partner from Iraq.

Shlama shared how experiencing persecution increased her faith and reliance on God.

Pray



Pray for jobs so Christians can remain in Iraq and be the light of Jesus in their community.

Pray the church can continue to bring healing to the nation of Iraq.

Score
79/100



Source Of Persecution

General Population

Christian Population

Main Religion

Region

Government

Leader

Islamic Oppression

39 Million

225 Thousand

Islam

Middle East

Federal Republic

President Barham Salih