Write a Letter to a Persecuted Christian

Today, just like in the book of Acts, Christians are being persecuted through intimidation, isolation, attacks, beatings, imprisonment and even death—all around the world.

• 215 million Christians suffer from high or extremely high persecution for following Christ.
• That’s 1 in 12 Christians worldwide.

In countries like Yemen, indigenous believers must keep their faith a complete secret—if discovered they face banishment or honor killings from their tribe, or the possibility of the death penalty from the state. In Somalia, just the suspicion that someone is a Christian can lead to a rushed beheading. In North Korea, Christians bury their Bibles for fear of being caught by authorities. Even the suspicion of Christianity can mean prison camp—or cost them their lives.

Despite these challenges in these hard-to-reach places, small groups of Christians are faithfully living out the gospel amidst these restrictions and threats.

We believe it’s in the DNA of every believer to care for our suffering brothers and sisters in Christ. Today, we invite you to write a letter of encouragement to persecuted believers. These messages will be delivered to remind our brothers and sisters in Christ that they’re not alone—and the worldwide Church is standing with them through prayer.

To ensure letters are secure, please follow these guidelines:

1. Please do not mention Open Doors or your church name.
2. Please do not provide your full name or address. Instead, share your first name and the region of the country where you live.
3. Please print clearly. Feel free to include a meaningful Bible verse.
4. Please do not criticize the country’s religion, government, or leaders.