Why is North Korea on the 2022 World Watch List?

North Korea has been at or near the top of the World Watch List for more than 20 years. That’s because any North Korean caught following Jesus is at immediate risk of imprisonment, brutal torture and death.

Where is God at work in North Korea?

North Korean believers are under so much pressure—and yet, the church is growing. Christian radio broadcasts make their way into the country via illegal radios, and small groups of Christians stand ready to preach the gospel if the country opens up.

How can I pray with Christians in North Korea?

Day 1: Pray for Christians who worship secretly, Christians who are in prison and the families of Christians who have been arrested or killed.

Day 2: Pray for the heart of Kim Jong Un and the other leaders of the North Korean regime.

Day 3: Open Doors’ networks in China are vital to keep the North Korean church up and running. Pray for the success and safety of these safe houses.

Day 4: Pray for the North Korean people as they deal with famine conditions and the COVID-19 pandemic.

Day 5: Pray for Christian parents as they struggle to tell their kids about Jesus.

Day 6: Pray for Christians who try to travel to Open Doors safe houses in China. Ask God to keep them safe.

Day 7: Ask God to help North Korean refugees heal from their trauma.

The persecution score for North Korea actually went up, even though its ranking went down.