

Missionary Moment

Over 200 million Christians around the world suffer persecution. Depending on the country, each form of persecution is different. But it is real, and its threat to the Church is serious. Below are compelling facts about what kind of persecution is taking place today all over the world against our brothers and sisters in Christ. As you educate your friends and church about the reality of Christian persecution, we hope this information will equip you to pray powerfully and effectively. When we go to the persecuted Church and ask them what they need most, we always hear first, 'please pray for us.' This is their ardent request. They find strength in knowing we have not forgotten them, and we are praying for them to hold fast to their faith. The world's worst persecutor of Christians in the world is North Korea. These believers risk discrimination, imprisonment and even death because of their active witness for Jesus Christ. "This is an important day in the church calendar," said Todd Nettleton, VOM's Director of Media Development. "Scripture instructs us to remember those in bonds as though we were bound with them. This special day of prayer is one of the ways corporately we do that. Christians are encouraged to pray for continued boldness and courage for believers as they share the gospel and for hearts to be softened to the truth of the gospel of Jesus Christ. Pray not only for persecuted Christians, but for the persecutors as well. "Our hope is that this day of prayer encourages people to be active all year long in prayer and support for our persecuted brothers and sisters," Nettleton said.

- In Saudi Arabia, practicing Christianity can result in death by beheading or stoning.
- Over 90% of China's Christians worship in hidden, underground house churches to avoid government regulations and restrictions.
- There is only one Christian church left in the Gaza Strip and its membership has dwindled to less than 100.
- There are 69 languages in Iran, and only three of them have a completed Bible. Iran is also the third worst persecutor of Christians in the world.
- It is believed there are less than 500 Christians living in the Maldives.
- Open preaching in Sudan is punishable by beatings or imprisonment.
- Christians make up less than 1.7% of the population in Pakistan, and over 70% of them are the poorest of the poor.

www.OpenDoorsUSA.org "State of the Persecuted Church"

www.persecution.com "International Day of Prayer for the Persecuted Church"

Reflection

"Most people spend their lives trying to make their heart's fondest dreams come true. Isn't that what life is all about, "the pursuit of happiness"? We search endlessly for ways to acquire the things we desire, and we are willing to sacrifice much to achieve them. We never imagine that getting our heart's deepest desires might be the worst thing that can ever happen to us." Tim Keller

But understand this, that in the last days there will come times of difficulty. For people will be lovers of self, lovers of money, proud, arrogant, abusive, disobedient to their parents, ungrateful, unholy, heartless, unappeasable, slanderous, without self-control, brutal, not loving good, treacherous, reckless, swollen with conceit, lovers of pleasure rather than lovers of God, having the appearance of godliness, but denying its power. 2 Timothy 3:1-5



THE INTERNATIONAL DAY OF PRAYER FOR THE PERSECUTED CHURCH

Preparation for Worship

As you hear the chimes, you may want to pray or read the Reflection in order to quiet your heart and mind to worship our Lord with reverence and praise.

Songs of Praise & Prelude

Praise song words are available in the back of the bulletin

Greetings and Announcements

Please sign the attendance pad found at the center aisle of each row.

Call to Worship

Psalm 33:1-4

*Hymn

How Good It Is to Thank the Lord

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*Opening Prayer

Congregation Amen!

Elder: Ask, and it shall be given you; seek, and ye shall find; knock, and it shall be opened unto you:

Congregation: For everyone who asks receives, and he who seeks finds, and to him who knocks it will be opened.

Elder: Or what man is there of you, whom if his son ask bread, will he give him a stone?

Congregation: Or if he ask a fish, will he give him a serpent?

Elder: If ye then, being evil, know how to give good gifts unto your children, how much more shall your Father which is in heaven give good things to them that ask him?

Congregation: Therefore all things whatsoever ye would that men should do to you, do ye even so to them: for this is the law and the prophets.

Elder: Enter through the narrow gate; for the gate is wide and the way is broad that leads to destruction, and there are many who enter through it.

Congregation: For the gate is small and the way is narrow that leads to life, and there are few who find it.

Musical Offering

Fairest Lord Jesus

Westminster Choir

Jesus, precious Jesus, name above all names below. You are holy, You are worthy, fairest of ten thousand to my soul, fairest of ten thousand to my soul. Fairest Lord Jesus, Ruler of all nature, O Thou of God and man the Son. Thee will I cherish, Thee will I honor, Thou, my soul's glory, joy, and crown. Fair are the meadows, fairer still the woodlands, robed in the blooming garb of spring. Jesus is fairer, Jesus is purer, who makes the woeful heart to sing. Fair is the sunshine, fairer still the moonlight, and all the twinkling, starry host. Jesus shines brighter, Jesus shines purer than all the angels heav'n can boast. Beautiful Savior! Lord of all nations! Son of God and Son of man. Glory and honor, praise, adoration, now and forevermore be Thine. Jesus, precious Jesus, name above all names below. You are holy, You are worthy, fairest of ten thousand to my soul, fairest of ten thousand to my soul.

Pastoral Prayer

Congregation Amen!

* Psalm

According to Thy Word, O Lord

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Tune: Maitland, *Must Jesus Bear the Cross Alone?*

From the *Book of Psalms for Singing*

Presentation of His Tithes and Our Offering

Dismissal to Junior church, Age 3-Grade 3 Rooms A & B or Pre-K church time Room 1

Scripture Reading

Ephesians 4:7-13

Congregation Amen! Thanks Be to God.

Preaching of the Word

Gift Giving

Pastor King A. Counts

*Hymn

Christ Shall Have Dominion

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*Benediction

**those who are able please stand*

Bible and Song Hour 6:00pm

Please return to join us this evening when we consider 2 Samuel 6:6-11, "Can't Touch This - Uzziah and the Ark"

Announcements

Operation Christmas Child Forms in the foyer give information & ideas for the boxes.
Reminder: each box needs \$7 to help cover shipping & project costs – donate online or use the envelope provided. Box deadline: NEXT SUNDAY Nov 15.

Sup with Seven Sign up available. Bi-monthly dinners of seven (six individuals plus the Lord Jesus). As schedules permit (from now through the summer), each home takes one turn hosting a meal. *Sup With Seven* parties leave lots of room for culinary creativity. Call Nancy Miller with questions: 245-9342.

Men's Chorus: All men who enjoy singing are invited to join a men's chorus to present *The Romans' Doxology* to our Lord on Sunday, Nov 22. For further questions, and to RSVP, please contact Karin Apgar at 254-6350 or kqapgar@msn.com

By Faith Magazine subscription. By Faith is the PCA periodical which is designed to help equip you to engage culture with a Christian world and life view. If you would like a subscription for \$14 a year, please sign up on the board and make checks payable to Carlisle Reformed Presbyterian Church no later than Dec 13.

Fibro-what? Do you or does someone you know struggle with Fibromyalgia? Would you like to get together with others to encourage each other, ask questions and learn more about coping with it? The M&M Ministry Team has planned a simple, low-key evening for sharing on this topic. It is Tuesday, November 10, 7:00-8:30 at the church.

April Hope New Address

April Hope
GongJu Yeoung Myung High School
Jung dong 318
GongJu City, Chungnam Province
South Korea

Youth Group meets today at the Hurstons for lunch + our meeting.

Missionary Christmas Cards - please encourage our missionaries by signing/writing a note; cards are on the shelf in the foyer.

All Church Dinner Sunday, Nov 22, sign up.

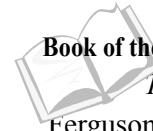


Baby Food: November Goal

Project Share relies on Carlisle Reformed Presbyterian Church as one of their only donors of baby food. They are always in short supply of stage 1, 2, and 3 baby food. If each of our families donates just three jars a week through Dec 6, we will have provided over 1200 jars of food for children in our community.

Helpers Needed for the Mother's Small Group

Our Mother's group has grown very quickly- - Praise God! On any given Monday we can have up to 15 children! We are in need of helpers for the last 3 meetings of this study: **Nov. 16, 30, and Dec. 14** from 9:30am to 11:30am. If you can help, please speak with Christy Hope, Sue Hope or contact the office as soon as possible. *Please consider today if you can offer a very small portion of your time to help with our covenant children!*



Book of the Month

The Westminster Directory of Public Worship, discussed by Mark Dever & Sinclair Ferguson. "...contains a wealth of insight on topics relevant to the church in any age. Its brevity and clarity make it palatable even to the modern reader beset by busy-ness and multiple distractions." Available in the foyer.

Truck Stop Cookies All you need to do is place 6-10 cookies in a plastic bag, and then into one of the decorated paper bags available at church. You may want to include Bible verses or a personal message. Bring the bags to church on either November 29 or December 6 (Note: only 2 Sundays!) and place in the box marked Truck Stop Cookies.



On the Calendar

This Week

Tuesday	Nov 10	Fibromyalgia Info 7pm at church
Wednesday	Nov 11	Bell & Rudder small groups 7pm
Thursday	Nov 12	Men's 8am Bible Study and Downtown Small Group 7pm Men's choir practice 7-8

Scheduled

Nov 22 All Church Dinner

Poinsettias - Please place in offering plate or CD Request Box

Name: _____

I want to purchase _____ Poinsettias @ \$ 8.00 each.

In Honor Of: _____

In Memory Of: _____



November 8, 2009

King Counts, Pastor
Ephesians 4:7-14
Gift Giving

Introduction: What gifts has God given to you? How are you using your gifts?

Thesis: Every Christian has been given gifts to be used.

Text Notes:

1. How many gifts do we receive (Verse 7)?
2. Where do these gifts come from (Verses 8-10a)?
3. What is the point of all these gifts (Verse 10b)?

Conclusions: What are you going to do?

Praise Songs

Not Be Shaken

I will declare my choice to the nations
Shout for joy in the congregation
I worship God (worship God) All my days

Those who love the Lord are satisfied
Those who trust in Him are justified
I will serve my God (serve my God) All my days

W: When the nations crumble
M: The word of the Lord will stand
W: Kings may rise and fall
M: His love will endure
W: Though the strong may stumble
M: The joy of the Lord is strength
All: To my soul

I will not be shaken
I will not be moved, I will not be shaken

I Lift My Eyes Up

I lift my eyes up unto the mountains
Where does my help come from?
My help comes from you, Lord
Maker of heaven, ruler of all the earth

Oh, how I need you, Lord
You are my only hope, You are my only prayer
So I will wait for you to come and rescue me
To come and give me life

Here I Am To Worship

Light of the world
You stepped down into darkness
Opened my eyes, let me see
Beauty that made this heart adore you
Hope of a life spent with you

Chorus:

Here I am to worship
Here I am to bow down
Here I am to say that you're my God
You're altogether lovely
Altogether worthy
Altogether wonderful to me

King of all days, oh so highly exalted
Glorious in heaven above
Humbly you came to the earth you created
All for love's sake became poor

Chorus

I'll never know how much it cost
To see my sin upon that cross
I'll never know how much it cost
To see my sin upon that cross

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For Your Information

Guests! We are glad that you have chosen to worship with us this morning. It is our hope that worship is an encouragement to you and that you will have an opportunity to return soon. Please give us an occasion to introduce ourselves today. Also, please assist us by filling out the Attendance Pad when it is passed during worship.

Carlisle Reformed Presbyterian is a congregation of the Presbyterian Church in America (PCA) adhering to the authority of the Scriptures and confessing the doctrine contained in the Westminster Standards. We earnestly strive to follow Christ and His apostles.

Prayer Requests We encourage you to share your requests weekly. Place them in the offering plate or the request box in the foyer. If you have updates or requests during the week, please call or email the church office. The prayer list is updated weekly and there are copies of the current list on the information counter in the foyer.

Small Groups are a fellowship of people meeting together regularly in homes in Carlisle and throughout the surrounding area. To find out how you can join a small group, please contact the church office at 249-5675 or a group leader identified on the Small Group section bulletin.

Sermon Requests Sermons can be heard on the church website. CDs and cassette tapes of the sermons can be requested; please use the notebook found on the information counter in the foyer.

Sunday Schedule

9:30 am Sunday school
10:50 am Worship
6:00 pm Bible & Song Hour

Adult Sunday School

Today

Worship – Reformed According to the Word of God

Pastor Counts Sanctuary

Nursery

We offer nursery for children ages newborn to 3 years of age for each of our services.

Junior Church

Children 4 years – Grade 3 are dismissed during the offering to Rooms A & B.

Pre Kindergarten *Church Time* meets in Room 1 (next to the Library) during the service.

Designed for children not yet ready for Junior church.

Serving	Today	Serving	Next Week
Lay Leader	Norm McDonald	Lay Leader	Dave Lepley
Piano AM	Karin Apgar	Piano AM	Dottie Rine
	PM	PM	Patty Jennings
SS Nursery	Sue Seitz	SS Nursery	Becky Davis
AM Nursery	Barb Brazel, Nancy Bookwalter	AM Nursery	Stephanie Coulson, Jan Teetie
	Caroline Rudder		Ana Clarke
PM Nursery	Kathy Apgar	PM Nursery	Ginny Hertzler
Greeter	Paul & Doris Neely	Greeter	Dave & Ellen Morgan
Ushers	Bob Gay, Scott McCarroll	Ushers	Bob Gay, Scott McCarroll
	Dave Bell, Phil Shaw		Dave Bell, Phil Shaw
Counters	Todd Jennings, Phil Shaw	Counters	John Hope, Scott Hertzler

Small Groups

Men AM	2 nd & 4 th Thur	<i>Sovereignty of God</i>	Dave Bell
Women AM	1 st & 3 rd Thurs	<i>Before the Throne of God</i>	Katie Irwin
Newville	2 nd & 4 th Wed	<i>Hebrews</i>	Dave Bell/Bill Mauchamer
Carlisle	2 nd & 4 th Wed	<i>Proverbs</i>	Greg Rudder
Mother's	every other Mon	<i>Don't Waste Your Life</i>	Christy Hope
Downtown Carlisle	2 nd & 4 th Thur	<i>1st Corinthians</i>	Al Steever /Norm McDonald
20/30 Something	1 st & 3 rd Wed	<i>Peter</i>	John Hope/Caleb Hood
Post High	every other Sun	<i>Chasing Daylight</i> study of Jonathan	Brett Rudder

Leadership

Elders

Peter Davis
Bill Kauffman
David Lepley
Bill Mauchamer
Norm McDonald

King Counts, *Teaching Elder*

Deacons

Kyle Davis
Greg Hope
Phil Shaw

Financials

October 2009

Needed to meet Budget YTD	Undesignated Received YTD	Expenses YTD
\$162,500.00	\$192,139.26	\$189,904.34