Islamists Murder Pakistan's Only Christian Cabinent Member

The *Los Angeles Times* is reporting that gunmen killed Pakistan's only Christian cabinet member Wednesday in a hail of bullets outside his house in Islamabad.

"The assassination of Shahbaz Bhatti, the country's minority affairs minister, underscored the reach of extremism in a Muslim, nuclear-armed country founded on the principles of minority inclusion, as well as the government's inability to protect its minorities," the Times reports.

An Islamic Republic, Pakistan is #11 on the Open Doors World Watch List—and this is not the first government assassination in 2011.

Muslim Mob Attacks Christian Missionaries in Ethiopia

When Meda Welabu University students set out on a short-term mission trip to Ethiopia, they probably never imagined the evil awaiting them in the Oma village.

One can imagine the excitement of the young missionaries as they started distributing Bibles and sharing the love of Christ with Muslims in the Bale province.

Then it happened.

One of the Oma villagers started arguing with the missionaries. The situation quickly escalated as the man's anger incited a mob that attacked the students. The Muslim mob was shouting "Allah Akbar," which means "God is great" as they stoned the Christians and beat them with rods.

ArtScroll Publishes Jewish Bible for English Readers

At *Charisma* magazine, we're celebrating the Year of the Bible. So when news about a Jewish Bible crossed our desk, we wanted to be sure you are among the first to know about it.

For believers dedicated to understanding Jewish thoughts on Scripture, ArtScroll Mesorah Publications just rolled out a new Bible. The "ArtScroll English Tanach" is a Jewish Bible that offers classical rabbinic thought.

The Hebrew term "Tanach" refers to all 24 books of the Jewish Bible. In fact, the term Tanach is formed from the first letter of each Hebrew word for each of the the three major divisions of the Bible: Torah, Nevi'im, and Ketuvim, the five books of Moses, the Prophets, and the Writings. the Ketuvim includes the Psalms, Proverbs, Ecclesiastes and other books of wisdom.

‘The Chicago Agreement’ to Make Ministry More Effective

Most believers who have explored a large college campus in the United States have probably noticed the number of campus ministries there as well. From InterVarsity Christian Fellowship to Campus Crusade for Christ, there are several ministries reaching out to the expanding minds of college students.

“We’re all organizations that are focused on evangelism,” says InterVarsity’s Jim Lundgren of 17 college ministries in particular. “We’re all committed to discipleship and to advancing the world mission of the church. But we all have our distinctives in various ways which we feel God is using on campuses.”

As with any conglomerate of ministries, though, a similar purpose with just a few different ways of doing things could easily cause problems—even in the body of Christ. With this in mind, several campus ministries met decades ago to ensure that squabbles did not break out over disagreements.

YWAM Mourns Death of Kenya Missionary

On Friday, Charisma News reported that a Youth With a Mission (YWAM) missionary was murdered in Kenya. At approximately 1 a.m. on Feb. 25, armed robbers broke into a YWAM orphanage on Kenya’s Athi River about 50 kilometers outside of Nairobi.

Now, YWAM is offering additional details on the murder of 36-year-old Ebel Kremer, a Dutch national that was managing the orphanage.

YWAM reports that Kremer's wife, Lora, was also assaulted in the attack, which took place in their home on the orphanage property. The Kremer's two children witnessed the attacks, but were spared harm. However, a night watchman was also injured. YWAM reports he is recovering.

Human Trafficking Spikes in Post-quake Haiti

The United Nations International Children's Emergency Fund recently released a disturbing report indicating that an ongoing problem in Haiti is getting worse.

Experts say there's been a spike in Haiti's post-quake child trafficking.

Desperate parents, faced with their inability to feed, clothe or educate their children, are selling them for as little as $1.20 to the traffickers who promise a better life for the kids.

But the reality is quite different. Some wind up in prostitution, but UNICEF's report indicates that the trafficked children are also feeding an illegal adoption market.

Murder of Pastor in Honduras Raises Security Questions

The murder of a prominent pastor in San Pedro Sula, Honduras, this week has focused attention on that country's alarming murder rate and the regular threats that Christian workers there receive.

Pastor Carlos Roberto Marroquín, 41, was shot to death by two assailants as he walked his two Schnauzer dogs in the Colonia Aurora neighborhood near his house on Monday (Feb. 21).

Initially police said they believed theft of the dogs was the reason for the murder, but that they were investigating other possible motives. Officers said two gunmen in a white car pulled up beside the pastor and tried to snatch the dogs, shooting Marroquín when he resisted, but the city's chief prosecutor, Marlene Bane, yesterday affirmed that witnesses said the gunmen had demanded Marroquín's cell phone, not the dogs, according to El Heraldo newspaper.

FBI Jails Pro-Abortion Supporter for Threats

The FBI on Thursday arrested 49-year-old abortion supporter Theodore Shulman. Shulman is now sitting behind bars without bond at the Metropolitan Correctional Center in New York City.

It seems Shulman has a history of making these types of threats. In fact, Operation Rescue's Troy Newman and Cheryl

Sullenger, as well as blogger Jill Stanek and speaker/activist Bryan Kemper of Stand True, also claim to have received threats from the jailed abortion supporter during the past two years.

Bible.com to Give Away Rare 1611 Bible

In case you haven't heard…2011 marks the 400th anniversary of the English language King James Version of the Bible. *Charisma* magazine is celebrating the year of the Bible, and so are many others.

In fact, Bible.com is celebrating the historic landmark with a promotional giveaway: a museum quality reproduction of the authentic King James Bible originally published in 1611. Only 1,000 of this limited, numbered edition Bible will be printed by publisher Gracious Christian Living. The retail cost is $1,000.

The giveaway is open to the public, and no purchase is necessary. You can enter to win by visiting www.Bible.com and registering an email address on the giveaway page. The deadline is May 15, 2011.

YWAM Missionary Murdered in

Kenya

Charisma News has just learned that a Youth with a Mission (YWAM) missionary was murdered in Kenya just hours ago.

At approximately 1 a.m. on Feb. 25, armed robbers broke into a YWAM orphanage on Kenya’s Athi River about 50 kilometers outside of Nairobi.

Ebel and Lora Kremer, the Dutch couple that managed the orphanage, were inside. YWAM reports that Ebel was shot and killed in front of his wife and their two small children. YWAM also reports that a night watchman was injured in the shooting.