

# Nearly 30 Years After Toronto Revival, Pastors Under Fire in Canada

Christians in Canada are under fire, while the Muslim population there has tripled in 15 years, according to Blacklock's Reporter.

"The religious landscape in Canada has undergone significant changes," since the 1994 Toronto Blessing, analysts wrote in a report. According to StatsCan, the proportion of Christians that averaged 90 percent in the 1981 Census and is currently 63 percent, is projected to fall to about 52 percent.

Meanwhile, pastors are being arrested in the Great White North. In October, a Canadian pastor was arrested on the tarmac over COVID rules, according to Fox News. His luggage was confiscated and his laptop was investigated.

"I don't know what they were looking for," Pastor Artur Pawlowski, the arrested pastor said of the Canadian authorities. "I'm a pastor. I'm not a spy, and I'm not a terrorist. Everything that I do is public."

This assault on religious freedom started brewing before Pawlowski's arrest. Missouri Senator Josh Hawley in June made an official plea to U.S. authorities to condemn Canada's restrictions on religious freedom during the pandemic.

"Canadian authorities' arrest of faith leaders and seizure of church property, among other enforcement activities, appear to constitute systematic, ongoing and egregious violation of religious freedom," said Hawley. "I urge the Commission on International Religious Freedom to take whatever action is necessary to address and rectify this situation, and consider adding Canada to the Commission's Watch List."

We need to pray. In December, Awakening Prayer Hubs is adopting the nation of Canada. We're targeting highly focused prayers on the nation, which has seen revivals in the past. We're believing God can sweep through Canada with a fresh outpouring that wakes the nation up and turns hearts back to the one true living God.

Consider the following prayer points:

Pray the church in Canada is restored to her first love in Jesus Christ, seeking Him with fresh passion and as first priority. Pray believers in the nation are renewed to knowing and releasing the power of the cross, the gospel message and Kingdom mission (Revelation 2:4; Matthew 6:33; Philippians 2:2)

Pray the Holy Spirit will purify and fuel faith and integrity of the church before God in pressure and testing (James 1:3)

We declare those who devise wicked schemes are the Lord is near, and all Your commands are true! (Psalm 119:150-151).

Pray in agreement with American prophets who spoke in the war of 1812, "I have reserved Canada for My special end-time purpose, says the Lord!" (1 Timothy 1:18).

Pray for the strengthening of hearts in the Lord. Pray what warfare has hijacked shall be recovered. Where hope has been deferred and disillusionment set in, pray robust hope and vision be renewed by the God of hope. Pray the spirit of holy boldness replace fear of man (Jeremiah 29:11; Acts 4:29).

Pray for the spirit of unity to repair relational disconnect and strengthen bonds among spiritual leaders and networks across Canada. Pray God will continue to knit the Body together in His divine love (Ephesians 4:13).

Pray for the spirit of prayer to grip the Church in deep expression of reliance on God and not the arm of the flesh.

Pray the prayer movement in Canada be baptized with fresh fire on the altar and be multiplied (Psalm 9:9).

Pray for the Canadian prophets and prophetic movement. Pray it grows in new dimensions deeper, higher, wider. May prophets stir things up in the spirit, may they receive weighty revelation containing divine intelligence for Canada to advance in God's will (2 Chronicles 2:20).

Let unity come to the body of Christ in Canada. We bind all hindering and religious spirits that would resist the next great move God in Canada (Colossians 2:2; 2 Corinthians 13:11).

We ask for courage for believers in Canada to speak out in their circle of influence. May the favor of God go before them and open doors in the schools, city, and school board meetings and anywhere you guide them (Joshua 1:6; Ephesians 6:19).

We ask you, Holy Spirit, to move among churches, house churches and every believer in Canada with winds of refreshing. Baptize them with fresh fire Lord to do great exploits in the name of Jesus (Matthew 3:11).

We bind every hindering and harassing spirit working through government leaders to halt access to public worship (Romans 14:13; 16:17).

Send laborers into the harvest fields in Canada. Holy Spirit, prepare every heart to receive Jesus as you woo people to the Savior (1 Timothy 2:4; Matthew 9:38).

Give dreams and visions of Jesus to Canadians who do not yet know you (Acts 2:17).

Share your secrets for Canada with those who fear you and give your believers a spirit of boldness to speak out Your truth in love (Amos 3:7).

We ask you to draw Prime Minister Justin Trudeau, the

Parliament and all governmental leaders to Your heart. Give them divine wisdom to run the nation with righteous rule (James 3:13).

We pray for justice for all those missing and for those taking them to be found out (Luke 15:3-7).

We call forth God's plans for Canada, America and Mexico as they continue to try to reconnect. We pray a unified vision from Holy Spirit that steers North American nations into mutually beneficial strategic partnerships, working together and not against one another (Ephesians 4:23; Philippians 2:3).

We ask You to protect fathers across Canada as the head of the household and mothers as they stand watch over their children (Psalms 146:8; 72:1; Proverbs 31:25-26, 28).

We pray the National Day for Truth and Reconciliation will be a miraculous work by God's hand. We pray for help in finding truth to those children in the unmarked graves at the residential schools in Canada so more healing can come (Colossians 3:13; Psalm 147:3).

We pray for healing to the native people in Canada. Heal their hearts from the wrongdoing against them in the past through government programs (Isaiah 61:1; Psalm 147:3).

Let the division between Canada's indigenous people and the rest of the population be healed. Bring unity to the land among its multicultural residents (Ephesians 2:14; 4:23).

We stand against the trends of humanism and socialism in Canada. We dismantle the works of darkness that oppose the gospel and replace them with righteousness in the land (Isaiah 59:15; John 8:32).

Lord, please raise up educators that teach truth based on biblical principles, from preschool to university (Matthew 19:26; Proverbs 22:6).

We pray freedom of choice in the face of vaccine mandates.  
Make a way of escape (Psalm 68:20; 1 Samuel 23:28).

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