

How You Can Help Persecuted Iraqi Christians

Where can God's people go? What can God's people do to help them?

"But the people who know their God will display strength and take action" (Dan. 11:32).

Arguably one of the most extreme and brutal terrorist groups in history, ISIS now controls a huge portion of Iraq. They have raped and sold women. They've kidnapped and murdered innocent children. The White House has publicly stated, "The situation is nearing a humanitarian catastrophe" and "a potential act of genocide."

Christian Aid Mission is one of few organizations that works with local ministries in Iraq. These ministries are not fleeing, because Iraq is their home and their calling is to their own people. They will remain and minister to the suffering throughout this crisis and beyond.

A ministry leader in Erbil has reported, "Homes and churches were burned to the ground."

More than 2 million internally displaced Iraqis and Syrian refugees, also fleeing ISIS, are currently packed into the Erbil region. Those exiled have filled every building in the city beyond capacity, leaving thousands to live and sleep on the streets. The president has said, "These innocent families are faced with a horrible choice: Descend the mountain and be slaughtered, or stay and slowly die of thirst and hunger."

With funding wired from Christian Aid Mission, the native ministries are able to buy supplies from local markets to distribute to the needy.

“Everything is available locally and could be purchased in a matter of hours and distributed within a few days,” reported one ministry leader. All funds sent to the indigenous ministries are strictly accounted for and overseen by proven ministry leaders.

This is a great opportunity for believers around the world to come alongside Iraqi Christians and show the love of God to those who are suffering.

Long after foreign aid agencies leave the region, these native workers will remain.

- \$75* feeds a family of four for one week
- \$150* provides Bibles and New Testaments (in the local language)
- \$360* provides mattresses/ bed rolls for 12 people
- \$500* provides medical supplies and attention to those who have medical needs
- \$750* provides shelter for destitute families

Christian workers in Iraq will personally present your gifts to the families and share a simple, clear message of the gospel of Jesus Christ.

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** The needs are much greater than these numbers indicate.*