

Is a Bizarre End-Times Conspiracy Behind This Missionary's Publicized Captivity?

Pastor Andrew Brunson has been in the custody of the Turkish authorities for almost two years, arrested in October 2016 for allegedly attempting to overthrow the government of President Recep Tayyip Erdoğan. Though the U.S. diplomatic apparatus has done virtually everything in its power to have him freed and returned to America, Brunson remains under house arrest while his criminal trial runs its course.

Despite his spending 23 years pastoring a small church in the western coastal town of Imzır, the authorities have accused the North Carolina native of playing a central part in an elaborate anti-government conspiracy which includes Mormons, an Islamic faith group called the Fethullah Gulen Terrorist Organization, or “FETO” and the Kurdistan Workers’ Party (PKK).

But it doesn’t stop there—the Turkish government also alleges that Brunson’s crew included an Israeli, an Iranian and even current and former agents of the U.S. Central Intelligence Agency. {eo}

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