

Russia/Ukraine war entering fifth year

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Feb. 24, 2026 marks the fourth anniversary of Russia's full-scale military invasion of Ukraine. Ukrainian and Texas Baptists commented on the occasion.

Christians under increased pressure in West Bank

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The Palestinian Christian presence in the West Bank continues to be threatened by Israeli settlers, pressuring many to emigrate.

Religious freedom violations continue in Burma/Myanmar

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Christians in Burma/Myanmar continue to suffer systematic violations of religious freedom carried out by the military.

Protestant pastor, family forcibly displaced

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A Protestant pastor, his wife, and infant were forcibly displaced from their community in Oaxaca, Mexico, after refusing to pray to a Catholic saint.

Villagers destroy homes of Christian families in India

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Christian families in an Indian village were attacked, displaced, and threatened after refusing to renounce their faith, reports say.

Over 100 Christians abducted

during worship in Nigeria

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Nearly 175 worshippers were abducted Jan. 18 from three churches in Kaduna State in Nigeria's Middle Belt, according to reports.

Christian persecution at all-time high, report says

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International Christian nonprofit and ministry Open Doors released its World Watch List for 2026 confirming Christian persecution is at an all-time high in 15 nations, including Nigeria and Syria.

Pastor and others released from Nicaraguan prison

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A Protestant pastor and five friends and family members were released from prison Jan. 10 after nearly six months of incommunicado detention in Nicaragua's Granada Department, as reported by Christian Solidarity Worldwide.

Christians among victims in Iran protests, evangelist says

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Christians have been shot as police respond to protests across Iran, a U.S.-based evangelist told Baptist Press.

Influential church in China reports arrests

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An influential Protestant church in central China has reported its prominent leaders have been arrested in what is being considered a crackdown on underground churches in China.

Latino evangelicals celebrate

Maduro's capture

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Since the U.S. government's Jan. 3 capture of Venezuelan President Nicolás Maduro and his wife, Cilia Flores, many Latino evangelical Christian communities in the United States have been celebrating what they call a spiritual victory as well as a political one.

Nigerian Christian responses to U.S. Christmas strike

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Nigerian Christians express appreciation for U.S. military action against Islamic militant targets in far northwestern Nigeria on Dec. 25.