

Church persecution and anti-conversion laws:

1. somewhere between 250k and 500k Christians are being persecuted worldwide in 2018
2. Define = Proselytize, Evangelize, preach, witness, tolerance, confront, conflict, apologetics, persecute, etc.
3. Persecution includes banning from state welfare for families, citizenship, public humiliation, slavery, human trafficking, imprisonment, torture and death.
4. "Religion is ok until it conflicts with our politics" every Nation!
5. does Religion define moral law or does the state?

ANTI-Conversion law = *(primarily from Communist, Hindu, and Muslim)*

These laws are very similar in content, and claim to prohibit conversions by force, fraud, and inducement or allurement. The Acts state that no person shall convert or attempt to convert, either directly or otherwise, any person from one religious faith to another by the use of force or by inducement or by any fraudulent means, nor shall any person abet any such conversion.

Proselytization of Jews (Converting, Evangelizing)

According to counter-missionary expert, Rabbi [Tovia Singer](#), director of [Outreach Judaism](#), there are well over 1,000 [Messianic](#) congregations and other missions to the Jews worldwide.^[3]

A number of [Christian denominations](#) have programs to reach Jews.^[4] The [JTA](#), a Jewish news service, conducted an extensive analysis of Christian efforts to convert Jews to Christianity^[5] and found that some of the largest [evangelical](#) denominations – the [Southern Baptists](#), the [Assemblies of God](#), and the [Lutheran Church–Missouri Synod](#) – have all increased their efforts to evangelize Jews in the recent past.

The article states that the Christian missionary organization [Jews for Jesus](#) completed a five-year tour called "Behold Your God" that brought its message to 53 cities worldwide, and the Christian [Chosen People Ministries](#) saw its income grow by 31% to \$7.9 million between 2003 and 2006.

[Jews for Judaism](#)^[6] a Jewish counter-missionary group, writes that there are over 900 Christian groups in North America actively involved in missionizing the Jewish people. Jews for Judaism further states that these groups are currently spending over \$250 million per year on efforts to convert Jews to Christianity. Jews for Jesus, the best known single ministry to the Jews, spent over \$15 million in 2008.^[7] The [Assemblies of God](#) has an extensive organization targeting Jews for conversion to Christianity.^[8]

Israel has more than one hundred [Messianic](#) congregations, per Yaakov Shalom Ariel, associate professor of religious studies at the University of North Carolina, and author of *Evangelizing The Chosen People*.^[5]

"Proselytizing is legal in the country and missionaries of all religious groups are allowed to proselytize all citizens; however, a 1977 law prohibits any person from offering material benefits as an inducement to conversion. It was also illegal to convert persons under 18 years of age unless one parent were an adherent of

the religious group seeking to convert the minor. Despite the legality of proselytism, the government has taken a number of steps that encouraged the perception that proselytizing is against government policy.

“Conversion therapy” of LGBTQ+= what happens when you convert?

TOP 30 Countries who persecute Christians -

1North Korea 94 / 100	Communist	Asia	Atheism
2Afghanistan 94 / 100	Islamic Oppression	Central Asia	Islam
3Somalia 91 / 100	Islamic Oppression	Africa	Islam
4Libya 87 / 100	Islamic Oppression	Africa	Islam
5Pakistan 87 / 100	Islamic Oppression	Asia	Islam
6Sudan 87 / 100	Islamic Oppression	Africa	Islam
7Eritrea 86 / 100	Dictatorial Paranoia	Africa	Christianity, Islam
8Yemen 86 / 100	Islamic Oppression	Middle East	Islam
9Iran 85 / 100	Islamic Oppression	Middle East	Islam
10India 83 / 100	Religious Nationalism	Asia	Hinduism
11Syria 82 / 100	Islamic Oppression	Middle East	Islam
12Nigeria 80 / 100	Islamic Oppression	Africa	Christianity, Islam
13Iraq 79 / 100	Islamic Oppression	Middle East	Islam
14Maldives 78 / 100	Islamic Oppression	Asia	Islam
15Saudi Arabia 77 / 100	Islamic Oppression	Middle East	Islam
16Egypt 76 / 100	Islamic Oppression	Africa	Islam
17Uzbekistan 74 / 100	Dictatorial Paranoia	Central Asia	Islam
18Myanmar 71 / 100	Religious Nationalism	Asia	Buddhism
19Laos 71 / 100	Communist	Asia	Buddhism
20Vietnam 71 / 100	Communist	Asia	Atheism

21	Central African Republic	70 / 100	Islamic Oppression	Africa	Islam
22	Algeria	70 / 100	Islamic Oppression	Africa	Islam
23	Turkmenistan	69 / 100	Dictatorial Paranoia	Central Asia	Islam
24	Mali	68 / 100	Islamic Oppression	Africa	Islam
25	Mauritania	67 / 100	Islamic Oppression	Africa	Islam
26	Turkey	66 / 100	Islamic Oppression	Middle East	Islam
27	China	65 / 100	Communist	Asia	Atheism
28	Ethiopia	65 / 100	Islamic Oppression	Africa	Christianity
29	Tajikistan	65 / 100	Dictatorial Paranoia	Central Asia	Islam
30	Indonesia	65 / 100	Islamic Oppression	Asia	Islam