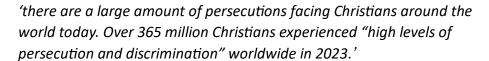
## **Persecution of Christians**

Sean Nelson serves as Legal Counsel for Global Religious Freedom with ADF International, where he advocates on behalf of Christians, in his written report he points out;





'Nigeria, is the most dangerous country in the world for Christians. In 2022, roughly 5,000 Christians were murdered for their faith – more than the number killed in all other countries combined. For 2023, one estimate put the number of Christians targeted and killed in Nigeria at over 7,000.'

## **Christianity under attack in Britain**

Many Christians have fallen foul of this progressive ideology and lost their job or career (*Cancel Culture*) for just standing up for Christian beliefs. Over the last 5 years the number of attacks on Christians and people holding Christian values has been steadily increasing.



There is a realisation that this divisive progressive ideology is not good for our society. Even Richard Dawkins, who was a long-time protagonist against Christianity, has come to this conclusion:- that it is far better to live in a Christian country with Christian values than any other.

This gives us a golden opportunity to bring people back to Christianity. Is it time for us and our hierarchy to stand up for our faith and against this ideology, as are the many organisations i.e., Christian Concern, The Christian Institute, Don't Divide Us, Christian Legal Society, Free Speech Union, The Culture Forum, Coalition for Marriage?

The Free Speech Union has helped over 2,500 people since 2022.



Pope Francis warned us in his book Let us Dream, "That the public arena has become increasingly dominated by the beleaguered self-anxious, controlling, quick to take offence, self-justifying, our society risks becoming ever more divided and fragmented. The Church is not immune to the contagion. The growing verbal violence reflects a fragility of selfhood, a loss of roots, in which security is found in discrediting others through narratives that let us feel righteous and give reason to silencing others".



## From Christian Concerns WEB site 2020

'We know that it's becoming harder to be a Christian in the UK today. But we're passionate about bringing the love, justice, truth, freedom and hope of Jesus Christ to the heart of society.'



The Commission of Inquiry into Discrimination Against Christians (CIDAC) have just released their interim report which was launched in October 2023. People reporting or complaining of discrimination because of their faith were invited to give testimony before a panel of Commissioners. The full Commission is expected to last for a minimum of two years.



A Report from "Voice for Justice UK" has come out entitled "The Costs of Keeping the Faith", with this foreword by former MP Nick Fletcher.

"Almost every day we hear of another Christian losing their job simply for expressing what they believe. Are these individuals the tip of the iceberg? This report shows us unfortunately they are not. The 1,562 Christians who responded to Voice for Justice UK's survey feel under attack.

Aware they have no control over what their children are taught at school, they feel powerless within their own families. Having to adhere to progressive ideologies which they do not agree with, they are prevented from practising 'freedom of conscience.'

This is the most precious and foundational of all human rights.

Christians feel unable to 'voice their voice,' as one of the respondents explained, in businesses, schools, hospitals, even sometimes in their own families. Perhaps most alarming of all, some have been pulled up for expressing Christian belief even within their own church.

Christianity is the cornerstone for so many of the values we take for granted. If it were not for Christianity our tolerance, our diversity, freedom of conscience and love for our neighbour would become a thing of the past.

This report needs to be circulated widely among those working in human resources, those responsible for education, as well as employers, Church leaders, civil servants and those responsible for policy making.

We all need to wake up to the attack on Christianity in our society, before it turns into something even more sinister. This report is a vital step in sounding the alarm".

Is it not strange that the main stream media still insist there is nothing wrong, yet one has now axed our traditional televised Easter Service from Kings College Cambridge?.



If you are neutral in situations of injustice, you have chosen the side of the oppressor.

Archbishop Desmond Tutu



One of the most cowardly things ordinary people do is close their eyes to the facts. CS Lewis



When you are studying any matter or considering any philosophy, ask yourself only: What are the facts and what is the truth that the facts bear out. Never let yourself to be diverted by what you wish to believe, but look only and surely at what are the facts. Bertrand Russell