

2025 Annual Report by

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# Resilience

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# STAND WITH BELIEVERS ON THE FRONTLINES

Your monthly support fuels relief, discipleship, and courage for Christians in hard places.

*Dear friends,*

*During my recent trip to Nigeria, I witnessed how your monthly giving as a Frontline Partner brings hope where fear once ruled.*

*In the IDP camps, I met parents who long for safety and education for their children—just like I do for mine. I saw youth worshipping with nothing but their hands and voices, yet their joy filled the room. And I met leaders like Father Maurice, who tirelessly serves displaced believers and helps them rebuild their faith and communities after devastating attacks.*

*Everywhere I looked, I was reminded that we are much more similar than we are different. Fathers, mothers, sons, and daughters—all holding on to faith through unthinkable trials. Their courage strengthened mine.*

*Your partnership reminds the persecuted believers I met in Nigeria—and others like them around the world—that they are not forgotten. It helps rebuild homes, restore hope, and renew hearts through the power of Christ. Together, we are one Church—one family—united by faith and love that spans every border.*



*Thank you for standing with them, and for showing the world what it means to be the Body of Christ.*

*—Jend Mom*

*Global Christian Relief*



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Emergency Relief



Bibles



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Income-Generating Opportunities



Community Aid

*...and more!*

# Resilience

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# LETTER FROM THE CEO

See how the light of Christ is shining bright in the world's darkest places.

If you had told me years ago that my faith would be reignited in the hidden rooms of the persecuted church, I wouldn't have believed you. I grew up in the church—every Sunday, every Wednesday, every time the doors were open. My parents gave me a foundation of faith I'll always cherish. But even with that heritage, there came a season when doubts crept in. Losing my mom to cancer shook me. In that season, I found myself echoing the words of the desperate father in Mark 9:24, who cried out to Jesus, “Lord, I believe; help my unbelief.”

God answered that prayer in a way I never expected. He sent me to sit with believers who had lost everything for Jesus—yet somehow, had gained a faith more vibrant than anything I'd known. I'll never forget meeting Sun Hee, a North Korean sister who clung to Psalm 23 while imprisoned for her faith. Or Azad in Iraq, who refused to deny Christ despite losing everything. Or Tabitha in Nigeria, who forgave her attackers and carried hope back to her devastated community.

In every place where persecution burns hottest, I found faith burning brightest.

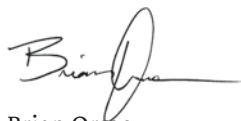
**This year's report is filled with stories you made possible—each one a testament to what happens when God's people say yes to His call and to their church family around the world. Inside, you'll discover:**

- **Bibles Crossing Borders:** How your support placed God's Word in the hands of seekers across the Middle East, even where faith is forbidden.
- **Freedom from Bondage:** The story of Khalid's family in Pakistan, set free from generations of debt slavery and given hope for a new future.
- **Survival and Healing:** Pastor Kumar's journey in India, where emergency aid and medical care helped his family recover from a brutal attack.
- **Generational Faith:** In rural Mexico, audio Bibles are nurturing faith in families who cannot read, allowing God's Word to take root across generations.
- **Restoring Dignity:** How trauma care and business support empowered Tabitha in Nigeria to rebuild her life after violence and loss.

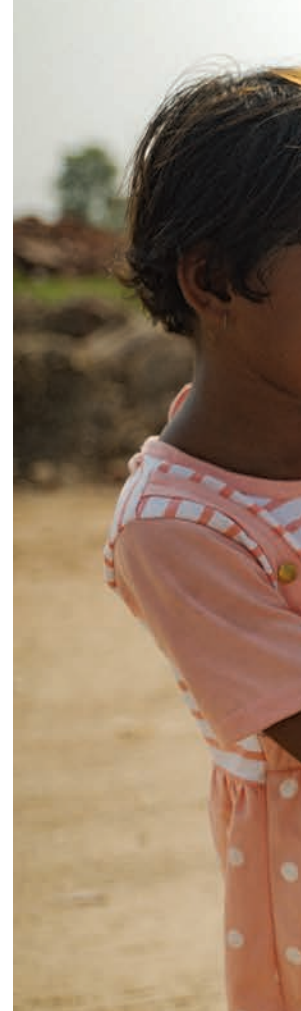
When you stand with the persecuted church, you're not just responding to a need, you're answering God's invitation to love your global church family as He loves you. The Bible tells us, “When one part of the body suffers, every part suffers with it” (1 Corinthians 12:26). Thank you for saying yes—to God, and to your brothers and sisters. Thank you for standing with us—one church, one family.

This is their moment. And it's yours, too.

With gratitude and hope,



Brian Orme  
President and CEO, Global Christian Relief





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answered  
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in a way I  
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—Brian Orme



# A BEACON OF HOPE:

## THE TRANSFORMING POWER OF YOUR COMPASSION IN GAZA.



In Gaza, ongoing conflicts have led to unimaginable loss and destruction, including infrastructure collapse and the displacement of countless families. The need for immediate humanitarian aid has become critical for our suffering brothers and sisters there.

When called on, your unwavering compassion and generosity showed through as a beacon of hope in the face of unimaginable hardship and devastating conflict. You responded swiftly to their call for help, providing \$100,000 in emergency aid to support displaced families facing severe food and water shortages. Your commitment was a lifeline, giving vital relief and spiritual comfort to thousands.

Every single day, over 12,000 people across six locations—both our Christian brothers and sisters and their Muslim neighbors—received vital meals, clean water, and shelter. This incredible impact is a testament to the power of your collective kindness.

### **Rivers of Living Water in Northern Gaza**

In northern Gaza, where clean water shortages became critical, your support funded three solar-powered water purification stations. These stations now provide 650 liters of fresh drinking water daily to over 1,000 individuals, offering a sustainable solution in a desperate situation. The stations also include integrated charging centers, which have become a vital resource, allowing more than 5,000 people to keep their devices powered and maintain connections.

When our Gaza water well was damaged, your swift response provided a generator, ensuring 8,900 people have continued access to this fundamental resource.

Beyond water, your generosity provided safe refuge. Our on-site teams were able to shelter approximately 400 people in one building and an additional 35 families in tents, offering a safe haven during displacement. The teams cooked large quantities of food, ensuring that 4,428 people received at least one nourishing meal every single day.

Perhaps most remarkably, the spirit of faith has endured and thrived in the most difficult circumstances. The local field teams have continued to hold regular Bible studies and prayer meetings. God's light continues to penetrate the darkness as more than 300 people have been led to Christ.

### **Shelters of Grace in Southern Gaza**

Further south, where one school building stands intact among the ruins, one faithful school director opened the building to shelter 45 families and house 50 more in tents around the building.

This community also benefits from one of the solar-powered filtration systems you provided, ensuring clean water for all who seek refuge there. And with the three ovens our partners built, residents can bake 6,000 pita loaves daily, providing a steady supply of food.

Your gifts in Gaza have done more than just provide emergency aid; they have offered dignity, sustained hope, and demonstrated the tangible love of Christ to those who have lost nearly everything. We see God's faithfulness at work through your generosity, bringing light to some of the darkest realities. As we continue this vital work, please keep praying for our brothers and sisters in Gaza, for their protection, their courage, and for the reassurance that He is always in control.

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## By the Numbers: Your compassion at work for Christians in Gaza



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people received fresh  
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*“Do not be afraid or terrified because of them, for the Lord your God goes with you; he will never leave you nor forsake you.” – Deuteronomy 31:6*



# SECRET FAITH: LIGHT UNDER THE BLANKET

**Rachel's journey to hope began in the shadows. At just 19, she lived under the constant watch of her strict Muslim family in the Middle East.**

Most days, Rachel was treated more as a servant than a daughter—her hours spent caring for siblings, her heart aching with loneliness. But one night, desperate for a glimmer of happiness, Rachel typed a simple question into her phone: “How do I become happy again?”

That search led her to a Christian Facebook page, written in her own language. There, she read about Jesus—His peace, His love, His promise of new life. Rachel’s curiosity grew. She returned night after night, reading posts and listening to lessons, her heart filling with hope. But when she tried to share what she’d learned with her niece, word reached her family. Rachel was beaten by her aunts, her phone confiscated, her world shrinking even smaller.

In her isolation, Rachel prayed to the Messiah she’d read about: “If You truly give life and peace, will You help me?” The next morning, her mother quietly returned her phone, whispering, “Hide it well. And tell me what you read.” It was a miracle Rachel could hardly believe.

Each night, Rachel read the New Testament under her blanket, the glow of her phone the only light in the room. She reached out to the page administrators with her questions, and soon, she received a Bible (provided by GCR donors)—her most treasured possession. At university, a Christian friend discreetly handed it to her during lunch. Rachel devoured its pages, describing the stories of Jesus as “a delicious meal.” In secret, she gave her life to Christ.

Stories like Rachel’s reveal a deep hunger for God’s Word in places where faith is forbidden. Across the Middle East, countless seekers are searching for hope—often risking isolation, rejection, or worse just to read the Bible. The need is urgent, and the risks are real.

But because of the generosity of GCR supporters, thousands of Bibles and digital Scripture resources are reaching those like Rachel who long to know Jesus. Each Bible delivered is a lifeline—offering comfort, courage, and the promise of new life. Today, Rachel quietly shares Scripture online, creating videos and answering questions for others searching for truth. Sometimes, her mother and sister slip into her room, asking her to softly read from the Bible. Their hearts are opening, one verse at a time.

Because you said yes, Rachel’s story—and so many others—became possible. Together, we are bringing light into the world’s hardest places, one Bible, one story, one courageous believer at a time.

## SPREADING THE GOSPEL

We equip Christians to share the Gospel with those who need it most, ensuring that the Church continues to grow despite efforts to stamp it out.



# ONE LORD.

## WHEN ONE PART OF THE BODY SUFFERS, ALL PARTS SUFFER TOGETHER.

Pastor Kumar's hands serve as a stark reminder of the hostility he faces as a Christian living in Punjab, India.

When Kumar left behind his family's faith to follow Jesus, his Sikh relatives and neighbors were not happy. The backlash was extreme; some even made false allegations against Kumar, landing him in jail.

Tragically, religious minorities, including Christians, are frequently subjected to harassment and violence from religious extremists. Christian converts like Kumar often face social ostracism, physical violence, and false criminal charges.

But his persecution didn't stop there. Last year, four men, members of the Nihang Sikh group, which is known for its opposition to Christian converts, attacked Kumar outside of his home. They came at him with swords, slicing into his hands as Kumar raised his arms to defend himself. His wife and brother attempted to protect him, but the attackers turned on them as well, all while his children watched from inside the house.

"They were shouting that I had become a Christian and more people would kill me," Kumar recalled. "When they were attacking me, only one thought remained: 'Lord, your mercy is greater.'"

Kumar managed to escape his attackers, but the hostilities he would face were far from over. Three hospitals refused to treat his wounds or demanded exorbitant payment because of his faith, but a Christian hospital finally admitted him.

This is where your support came in. Global Christian Relief quickly got word of the attack on Kumar. Thanks to your generosity, we were able to pay his hospital bills.

Because you said yes to the call of God to care for your persecuted brothers and sisters, Kumar's family could focus on his recovery, without a financial burden hanging over them.

One of our key pillars at GCR is Ensuring Survival for persecuted Christians. Thanks to your support, we can provide critical assistance, including medical services and relief from hospital bills, to believers in need.

"The Body of Christ came together," Kumar said. "When one part suffers, all parts suffer together."

Kumar's congregation has rallied behind him, although some have stopped attending church out of fear. Still, underground churches are growing across Punjab, as believers meet together to break bread and study the Bible.

"The church isn't just buildings," Kumar said. "It's the people. And the people are growing stronger in their faith, not weaker."

Thank you for providing for Kumar's health and safety. Please continue to pray for the persecuted believers in India, who face discrimination and violence for their faith.



### ENSURING SURVIVAL

We provide critical assistance for Christians in crisis, helping get displaced believers to safety and providing them with food, shelter, clothing, and medical assistance for their most immediate needs.



# ONE BODY.



# DEBT PAID IN FULL

## BROKEN CHAINS, UNBREAKABLE FAITH: KHALID'S GIFT OF DELIVERANCE.

“First, we will pray to the Lord that He will also help all those people who are under debt, so they can also be released.”

This was Khalid's prayer request, moments after his family was finally free. For 15 long years, Khalid, his wife, Shabana, and their children Adeela, Bilal, and Farhan had been trapped in the grueling cycle of debt bondage in one of Pakistan's 20,000+ brick kilns. Khalid's days were defined by relentless heat and the endless task of shaping mud into bricks, a destiny that would likely pass to his children.

Tragically, this is a common reality for thousands of Christian families in Pakistan. Often, a small loan taken for a family emergency or a wedding, like Khalid's initial 60,000 rupees (\$211 USD), quickly spirals out of control.

“I took the loan for the marriage of my sisters. We thought we would be out within a year,” Khalid said.



With low wages, high interest, and the need to borrow more during the rainy season when work stops, the debt becomes an inescapable trap. Fifteen years later, Khalid's family still owed 245,000 rupees (\$875 USD)—an amount they could never earn their way out of.

### **But because you said yes, their story took a dramatic turn.**

With your support, the impossible became possible. We had the special privilege of walking with Khalid into the kiln owner's office, handing over a check, and settling their debt in full. That simple piece of paper meant a complete life change. It meant freedom.

Khalid didn't sleep the night before, and we watched the relief visibly wash over him. His future holds new promise now thanks to the Blueprint for Freedom, which offers not only debt relief but also income-generating opportunities



## CREATING MORE FREEDOM

We actively work to liberate persecuted Christians from oppression—advocating for those in physical bondage and fostering economic independence through debt relief, skills training, and business support, enabling them to build a future rooted in dignity and hope.



Families, including young children, are forced to shape mud into bricks as part of the grueling cycle of debt bondage in Pakistan's kilns.

and financial training to stay out of debt for good.

Khalid continues working at the kiln for now, at full pay, free from deductions. But now he's able to save and, most importantly, send his children to school, which wasn't possible before. His children's dreams of becoming a police officer (Adeela), government officer (Bilal), and business owner (Farhan) are now possible again.

Khalid's own prayer wasn't for himself but for others still trapped in debt—a simple, honest reflex of his heart. It's a reminder of our shared humanity, our connection as a global Christian family, the power of prayer, and one family's freedom igniting hope for countless others.

**Your partnership is a lifeline that writes new stories of dignity, hope, and God's faithfulness for our persecuted brothers and sisters around the world.**



*“First, we will pray to the Lord that He will also help all those people who are under debt, so they can also be released.”* — Khalid



# GLOBAL FAITH UNDER FIRE

In the past decade, our global Christian family has faced an alarming surge in persecution, driven by political shifts and extremist ideologies worldwide. From sophisticated surveillance in Central and East Asia to brutal violence in Sub-Saharan Africa, complex conflicts in the Middle East, cartel threats in Latin America, and religious nationalism across Southeast Asia, believers endure enormous pressure.

The situation in each region is unique, demanding strategic intervention to strengthen Christian communities under pressure. Your compassion touched millions of lives through a tailored, thoughtful approach. Your brothers and sisters in Christ received urgent relief like emergency aid and medical care, as well as long-term support such as Bibles, leadership training, and income-generating opportunities.

Your prayers and participation equip our persecuted brothers and sisters to stand firm, spread the Gospel in their communities, and thrive. You are now part of the bigger vision to build the world's most extensive covert network serving persecuted Christians.

## MIDDLE EAST AND NORTH AFRICA

In this region, a hidden movement is growing as Muslim background believers (MBBs) quietly risk everything to follow Jesus. Civil wars and authoritarian regimes threaten Christianity's ancient roots, yet courageous faith endures. Your partnership gives rare, frontline support—ensuring the light of Christ shines even where efforts to silence believers persist. Together, we empower the Church to stand strong, nurture underground fellowships, and provide Bibles and emergency relief for seekers, new converts, and the underground church.



## LATIN AMERICA

The majority religion in Latin America is Christianity, and yet believers face extreme persecution by way of government corruption, organized crime, and drug cartels. Mexico is considered the worst place to be a pastor as they're often targeted for extortion, while indigenous Christians endure violent backlash from locals. Your support empowers these courageous believers to stand strong under the pressures. You provide Bibles in their heart languages and help them develop socioeconomic strategies, allowing them to use their faith as a powerful force for good.

# FRONTLINES *of* FAITH

## CENTRAL AND EAST ASIA

Christians in China and North Korea face intense surveillance and societal oppression, often resulting in persecution that ranges from reduced access to food, education, and employment to harsh imprisonment in labor camps. And in Pakistan, believers are often treated as second-class citizens, leaving them vulnerable to bonded slavery. Yet your faithful support provided a lifeline, including Bibles, discipleship training, and programs for vulnerable women and children, easing their burdens. In Pakistan, your support permanently freed 50 families from bonded slavery!



## SOUTHEAST ASIA

Religious nationalism drives intense persecution in Southeast Asia, from violent mob attacks and institutional control in India to civil war and targeted assaults in Myanmar. In Vietnam, believers face government restrictions and harassment. Yet your unwavering support empowers these courageous Christians to hold fast in their faith. You provide crucial resources and vital aid, strengthening the church and fostering resilience.



## SUB-SAHARAN AFRICA

Statistics show a dramatic rise in violence against Christianity in Sub-Saharan Africa over the past few years. Countries like Nigeria and Burkina Faso have become hotspots for persecution, with Christian communities facing brutal attacks, forced displacement, and religiously motivated violence. Your vital support brings hope and practical help to displaced believers in refugee camps, providing essential aid like church services, counseling, Bibles, food, clean water, and medicine.





# A NEW GENERATION OF BELIEVERS

## A LEGACY OF FAITH IN MONTELÍBANO: AUDIO BIBLES BRING HOPE AMID HARDSHIP.

Before dawn breaks over the rugged hills of Montelíbano, Chiapas, Aurelio Hernández López is already awake. By four or five in the morning, he's sipping coffee and preparing for another long day in the fields—planting millet, cutting wood, tending the land as generations before him have done. But in recent years, one simple device has transformed his daily routine and his family's spiritual life: an audio Bible, made possible by GCR supporters.

For Christians in rural Mexico, faith is often tested by more than just poverty. In a country marked by lawlessness and violence, believers face threats from organized crime and local power brokers. Rural regions like Aurelio's are especially vulnerable—police rarely enter, and communities are sometimes ruled by fear. Christians from indigenous backgrounds, like Aurelio, can face backlash from neighbors, sometimes even being forced to flee after beatings or threats. In 2022-23 alone, 27 killings of Christians were recorded in Mexico, making it one of the most dangerous places in the world to follow Jesus.

Aurelio's own journey has been shaped by hardship and resilience. He never had the opportunity to attend school and cannot read. Like many in his community, this made connecting with God's Word difficult. Yet his hunger for Scripture never faded.

That changed when a local pastor, recognizing Aurelio's challenges with reading and language, offered him an audio

Bible. For the first time, Aurelio could listen to Scripture while working in the fields or spending time with his family—allowing God's Word to take root in his heart and home.

He listens while he works. His grandchildren borrow the device to hear the stories of Jesus and the apostles. The audio Bible has become a bridge—connecting generations, breaking cycles of harmful traditions, and allowing faith to flourish in new ways.

Aurelio's gratitude is deep and genuine. He shares how listening to the Bible brings him peace and joy, and how grateful he is to those who made this possible. "I feel happy, I feel calm," he says.

In a region shaped by hardship and limited opportunity, the simple act of listening to Scripture is nurturing a legacy of faith that will endure for years to come. This transformation—families gathering around God's Word, children growing up hearing the Gospel in their own language—became possible when supporters like you said yes. For the price of a movie ticket and popcorn, an audio Bible reaches a family like Aurelio's, nurturing faith that can endure through generations.

**Together, we are helping parents and grandparents like Aurelio pass on biblical values to their children, ensuring that faith flourishes across generations—even in the world's most dangerous places to follow Jesus.**

## FOSTERING GENERATIONAL FAITH

In regions marked by persecution and hardship, we help families and mentors pass on a living faith—preparing children to become tomorrow’s leaders in places where Christianity is often under siege.



# OFFERING HOPE THAT LASTS

## AS A CHRISTIAN IN NIGERIA, TABITHA HAS PAID DEARLY FOR HER FAITH.

Just over 10 years ago, Tabitha and her husband were working in their field when militants from the Islamic extremist organization Boko Haram descended upon them. The couple became separated as they fled. Tabitha never saw her husband again.

As the fighters began their occupation of her village, they ruthlessly attacked and slaughtered many Christians, including the local pastor. Everyone else was held captive, and anyone who attempted to escape was shot.

The captives faced enormous pressure to deny Christ and convert to Islam. Tabitha refused.

“I knew I would rather die righteously than die in sin,” she said. James 1:2-3 says, “Consider it pure joy, my brothers and sisters, whenever you face trials of many kinds, because you know that the testing of your faith produces perseverance.”

Tabitha echoed this sentiment: “We should be ready to endure hardships for the sake of God. I want to serve God with all my heart.”

One night, when some of the militants had left to attack another village, Tabitha and her two children managed to get away. “When we escaped, we never believed that we would survive because we didn’t know where we were going,” Tabitha told us.

“We were just running to wherever God leads us.”

Eventually, Tabitha and her children found refuge in a camp for displaced Nigerian Christians. Because of your generosity, Global Christian Relief’s local partners were able to find Tabitha and help her. Because you said yes to God’s call to assist persecuted Christians in Nigeria, she and her family have started a new life and a thriving farm. Her children are back in school, and all are hopeful for the future.

“They came and taught us about forgiving those who have harmed us,” Tabitha said. “They gave us capital to start up a business.”

“When we got the loan, we started gradually,” she added. “I began with rearing goats, but now I rear cattle. We’ve fenced this place and built small rooms because I have calves.”

A crucial aspect of our mission at GCR is to address the deeply ingrained, long-term drivers of persecution. Poverty, lack of education and resources, and discrimination can trap Christians for generations. That is why we provide education, vocational training, and microloans to believers like Tabitha, who need our help to provide for their families and break free from the vicious cycles of persecution. Thank you for saying yes to God’s call to care for your Christian brothers and sisters in need.



### ADDRESSING DEEP-ROOTED CAUSES

We address injustice at its roots, helping Christians overcome barriers to full participation in society.





*"I would rather  
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than die in sin."*

— Tabitha



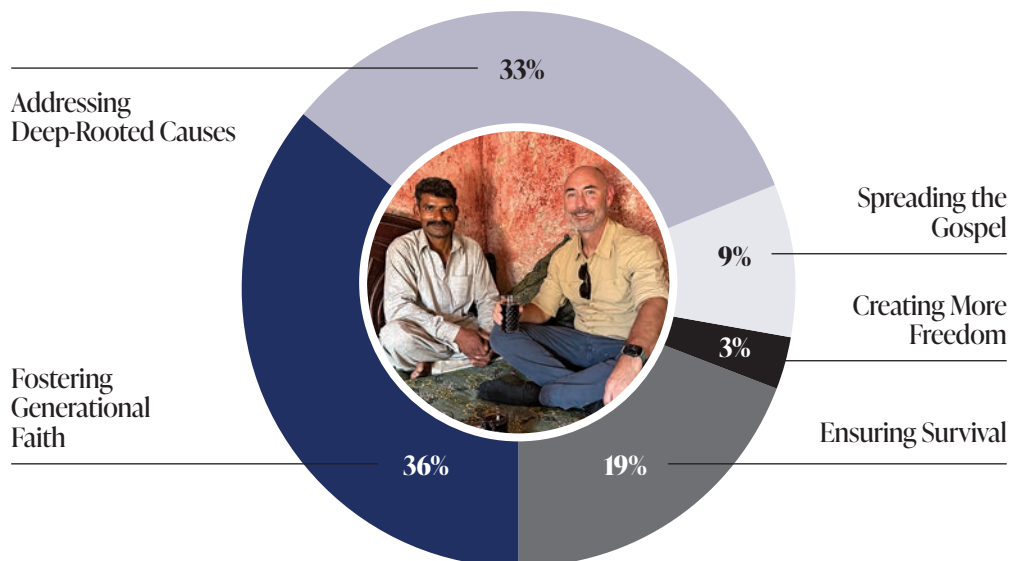
# WHAT WE ACCOMPLISHED TOGETHER IN 2025

This year, our partnership has been defined by courageous faith: believers who refused to renounce Christ, and partners like you who stood with the mistreated as if you yourselves were suffering. Look at what happened when you said yes.

**These aren't just figures on a page.** They represent lives that were saved, families that were sustained, churches that didn't close, and believers who didn't give up. From survival aid to Gospel outreach, your partnership has directly impacted hundreds of thousands—each number a story of courage made possible by your faithfulness.

These numbers show what God did through your faithfulness this year. **And they're only the beginning of what we'll accomplish together.**

## 2025 Impact Areas



BY THE NUMBERS

# 2025 Impact by Region



Central and East Asia

**1,128,109**  
Beneficiaries



Latin America

**31,000**  
Beneficiaries



Middle East and North Africa

**784,939**  
Beneficiaries



Southeast Asia

**77,256**  
Beneficiaries



Sub-Saharan Africa

**134,382**  
Beneficiaries

\*REPORTING PERIOD: FISCAL YEAR 2025, 07/01/24 – 06/30/25

## Financials

**TOTAL** \$19,205,523



● **PROGRAM** \$14,580,870

● **FUNDRAISING** \$2,784,514

● **ADMINISTRATION** \$1,840,139

# 2025 Project Impact

Total Lives Impacted \_\_\_\_\_ **2,155,686**

Bibles Sent \_\_\_\_\_ **89,010**

Medical Checkups Performed \_\_\_\_\_ **34,258**

Food Kits/  
Vouchers Distributed \_\_\_\_\_ **4,780**

Shelters/  
Winterization Kits Provided \_\_\_\_\_ **2,236**

Businesses Started/Supported \_\_\_\_\_ **556**

Brick Kiln Families Freed \_\_\_\_\_ **54**

Countries Served \_\_\_\_\_ **22**



# SMARTER WAYS TO *Invest* IN THE LIVES OF YOUR PERSECUTED FAMILY

Join Your Peers Who Invest Non-Cash Assets For God's Kingdom Purposes.

## 3 WAYS TO CONTRIBUTE



### Stock

Did you know that giving appreciated securities is an easy and tax-effective way for you to make a gift to Global Christian Relief? Act now and avoid paying capital gains tax on the sale of appreciated stock. You'll also receive a charitable income tax deduction, making this a smart way to invest.



### IRA

Looking for a way to make a big difference to further our mission? If you're 70 ½ years-old or older, you may be interested in a way to lower the income and taxes from your IRA withdrawals. Avoid taxes on transfers of up to \$105,000 from your IRA to Global Christian Relief and satisfy your required minimum distribution (RMD) for the year.



### Property and Other Assets

Donating appreciated real estate, such as a home, vacation property, undeveloped land, farmland, ranch, or commercial property can make a great gift to Global Christian Relief. Avoid paying capital gains tax on the sale of the real estate. Receive a charitable income tax deduction based on the value of the gift.

## TESTIMONIALS

*"We are grateful to God to be able to give appreciated stocks to Global Christian Relief for a great reason. If we sell the stock, we pay income tax on the gain. If we give the stock to GCR, we receive an income tax deduction based on the 'full value' of the securities on the date of transfer. It is a win-win situation for us, for Global Christian Relief and for the persecuted church."*

– Roger and Janice from Cincinnati, Ohio

*"We own a vacant lot along Lake Michigan that we have yet to build upon. After talking to GCR, we discovered that if we gave a 25% interest in the property to them, we would receive three benefits. We would get an income tax deduction for the value of our gift, save on capital gains tax on the 25% interest given away, and most important have an impact on the persecuted church now."*

– Susan and Kevin from Green Bay, Wisconsin

## CONTACT US

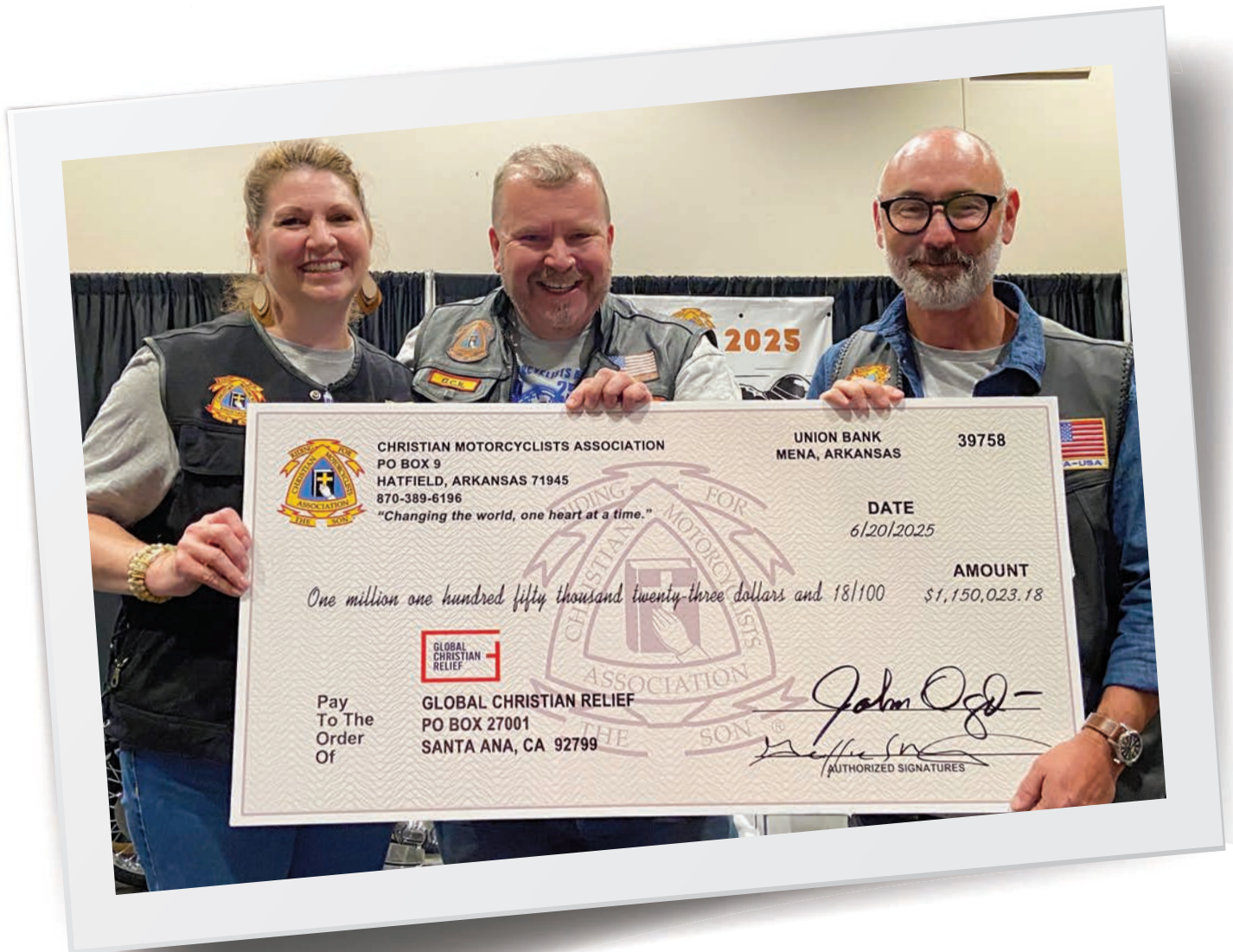
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# DRIVEN BY FAITH

PUTTING IN THE MILES FOR THE GLOBAL BODY OF CHRIST



We are so honored and privileged to support persecuted Christians around the globe with the generous contributions of the Christian Motorcyclists Association (CMA). This gift is actively strengthening the worldwide Body of Christ, allowing us to bring vital aid and spiritual care to those who risk everything to follow Him.

# A SIMPLE YES:

THANK YOU FOR BECOMING A VOICE FOR VOICELESS PERSECUTED CHRISTIANS.

I still remember the first time I truly saw the persecuted church. It was more than two decades ago, during my years as a writer traveling through North Africa, the Middle East, and Asia. I met men and women whose faith cost them everything. One story has never left me: Berhanu, an Ethiopian believer, told me how Communist officials once played Russian roulette with a loaded gun at his head, demanding he deny Christ. He never did.

I sat across from Berhanu, looking into his eyes as he described that moment. I realized then that my understanding of faith was being redefined. These weren't just stories of distant heroes—they were living reminders that following Jesus can mean risking everything. Their courage made me want to become a more

committed follower of Christ myself.

But when I returned home, I didn't know what to do with what I'd seen. I stayed in ministry, but I lacked the tools to help others grasp the reality of the persecuted church. For years, I carried those stories quietly, unsure how to invite others into them.

That's why I'm so passionate about what we're building at Global Christian Relief. We're launching a new movement—one that gives everyday believers the tools I wish I'd had. We're inviting you to become an Advocate.

## What is an Advocate?

An Advocate is someone who says a simple yes to God's call to stand with persecuted Christians. You don't need to be a public speaker or a theologian. You just need a willing heart. Advocates share stories—at the dinner table, in small groups, on social media, or even at the local Rotary Club.

They pray, they invite others to pray, and they help their communities see the global church as family.

We'll walk with you every step of the way. We'll provide you with compelling stories, practical resources, and easy-to-use tools—everything you need to share what God is doing through His suffering church. You'll never have to do this alone.

I believe this could be the step that sparks revival in the American church—not by exporting our image, but by letting the faith of the persecuted church shape us into the likeness of Jesus. Imagine what could happen if thousands of Advocates across the country became voices for the voiceless. **All it takes is a simple yes.**

Tobin Perry

Director of Advocacy, Global Christian Relief



*Will you help tell the stories that matter most? Will you join us?*



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# PRAYING FOR A MOVEMENT:

**PRACTICAL WAYS TO FUEL A GLOBAL MOVEMENT OF PRAYER.**

Have you ever felt the effect of others praying for you? At Global Christian Relief, we witness how your prayers reach across continents daily, bringing comfort, breaking chains, and sparking hope for persecuted believers. The power of prayer is evident in every transformation, including the stories within these pages.

Khalid, freed from decades of slavery, now pays prayer forward. Tabitha’s new life, unimaginable without prayer, was rebuilt on it. Aurelio’s prayers shine God’s light through his Mexican community.

Reflecting on another impactful year, we envision a global movement of prayer for our persecuted family—a collective symphony rising for justice, strength, and breakthrough.



We invite you to enlist your most powerful spiritual arsenal for our brothers and sisters enduring immense pressure—from surveillance in Central Asia to violence in Sub-Saharan Africa, nationalism in Southeast Asia, or brutality in Latin America. Your prayers wrap the Body of Christ in the greatest power in the universe and let them know they’re not alone.

## How can you take part in this global movement of prayer?

### 1. Start a “parallel prayer” routine

Turn daily routines into prayer opportunities. As you go about your day, lift the unique challenges of persecuted believers in prayer. See a school? Pray for Christian children who are denied education. See a hospital? Pray for believers suffering violence. Find specific prayer needs in our free monthly Prayer Force Alerts.

### 2. Become a GCR Advocate

Deepen your involvement by joining our Advocate program. You’ll receive free resources to spread awareness about the challenges of persecuted Christians, mobilizing others to pray and support this global movement.

### 3. Pray Scripture to God (Lectio Divina)

Use Bible passages as a prayer script. Select a truth, promise, or command in Scripture, and turn it into personal prayer. For example, use Hebrews 13:3 to pray: “Lord, I lift up our imprisoned brothers and sisters. Comfort those mistreated; let them feel Your presence.” This roots your prayers in God’s Word and enriches your understanding of it.

Your commitment to prayer is a sacred responsibility, a lifeline of hope, and a testament to God’s unwavering love. Join us in this global movement, and witness the impossible become possible through the power of our collective prayer.

# WHAT IS NEXT:

## OUR VISION FOR THE YEAR AHEAD—HOW YOU CAN KEEP SAYING YES.

BY BRIAN ORME  
PRESIDENT AND CEO, GCR



As we look to the future, Global Christian Relief stands at the threshold of a movement unlike anything we've seen in modern church history. Across the Muslim world, a spiritual awakening is quietly transforming lives—often in secret, always at great cost. Millions are encountering Jesus in ways never before possible: through digital connections, dreams, and the courageous witness of local believers. This is the fastest-growing movement of faith you've never seen.

Yet with every story of hope comes a story of hardship. For those who leave everything to follow Christ, persecution is relentless—family rejection, community isolation, legal threats, and even violence. Many must live a double life, risking everything for the joy of knowing Jesus. Their courage is extraordinary, their need for support urgent.

Consider Amira's story. Raised in a devout family in the Middle East, Amira's questions about faith were met with anger and violence. After her sister's death, she found herself searching for truth online, pleading with God to reveal Himself. One night, she dreamed of a man in white who said, "I am the way, the truth, and the life." Amira discovered these were the words of Jesus. Today, she lives her faith in secret, knowing that discovery could cost her everything. "Life in Islam was a cage," she says. "Knowing God broke it open. Baptism was joy—even if it costs me everything."

Or Kashif, in Pakistan, who first saw the name of Jesus on social media. When he asked questions, he was warned to stay away from Christians. But a dream of light changed everything. When his family discovered his faith, Kashif was forced from his home and left with nothing. Yet today, he quietly disciples hundreds of seekers online, determined that others will hear the name of Jesus he never knew as a child.

Stories like Amira's and Kashif's are not rare—they represent millions of secret believers across the Muslim world today who have left everything to follow Jesus. Their faith is courageous. Their needs are great.

But in this crucible of suffering, we see an unprecedented opportunity. The world is changing rapidly. Technology now allows the Gospel to reach hearts in places once sealed off. Spiritual hunger is rising, especially among young people searching for truth and hope. And indigenous believers—those who know the language and culture—are stepping forward to lead, disciple, and share the good news in ways outsiders never could.

This is a window of opportunity history has never seen before. But it will not stay open forever. Without timely support, fragile communities may be crushed by persecution, and countless seekers could remain unreached. That's why, in the coming year, GCR is launching a bold, multi-year initiative to ignite, nurture, and protect the hidden church in the world's hardest places.

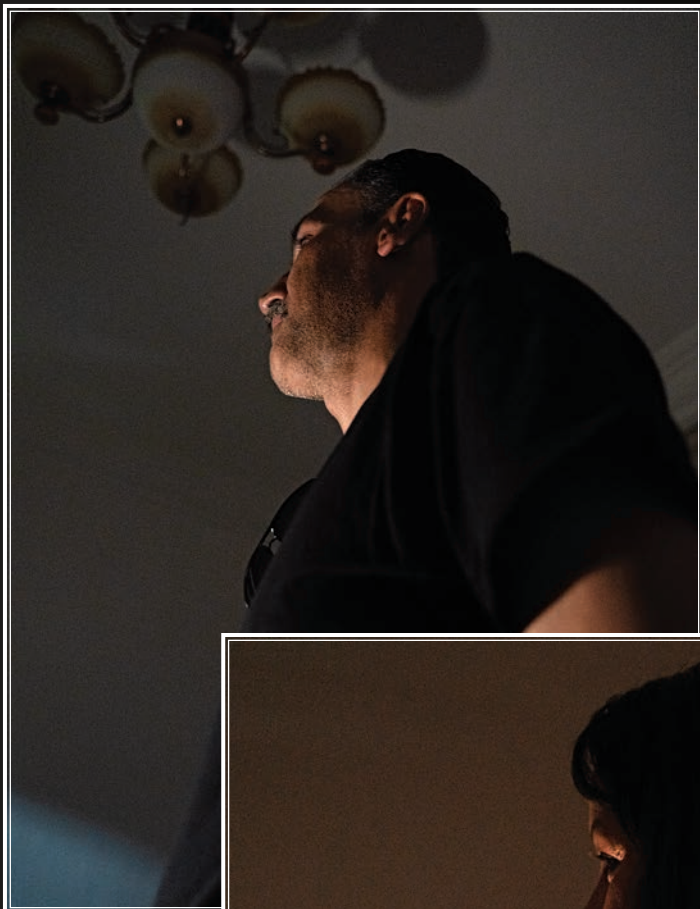
The Secret Believers effort is just one part of our broader vision: to awaken the U.S. church to the needs of persecuted Christians around the globe. I've seen firsthand how the faith of persecuted believers can reignite our own walk with Christ. Just as my own faith was revived by sitting with those who had lost everything for Jesus—yet found a joy and courage I'd never known—so too can our churches be renewed. Standing with the persecuted church is not just an act of compassion; it is a pathway for revival in our churches, rekindling boldness, unity, and hope in our own communities.

Because you said yes, hope is breaking through in places once thought unreachable. Together, we can ensure that no believer stands alone—and that this movement continues to grow for generations to come.

Let's keep saying yes—so that every hidden believer knows they are part of one church, one family. And as we do, may God use their stories to spark a revival in us all.

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