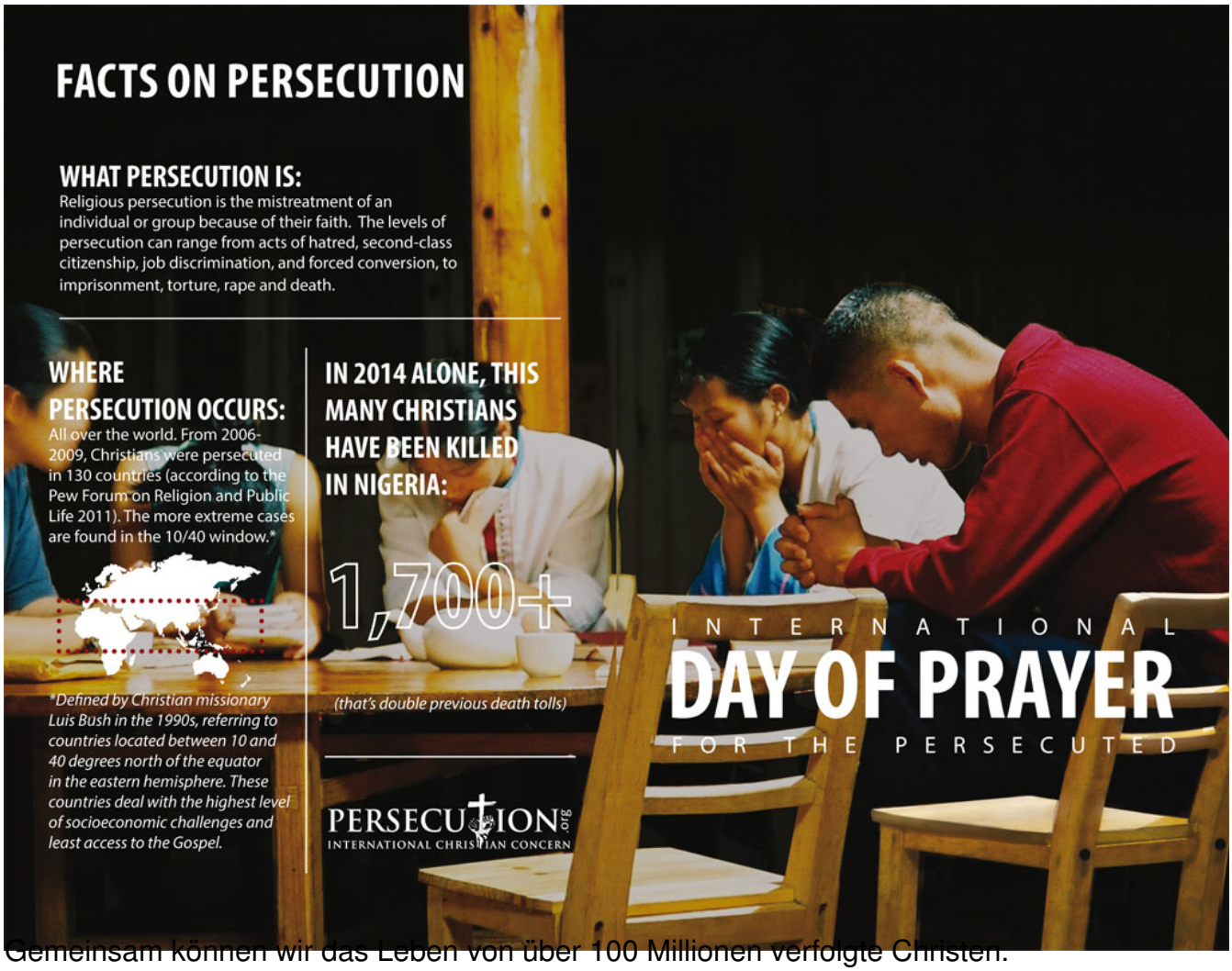
7-9. November wird jährlich weltweit Gebet statt.

Der Internationale Gebetstag für die verfolgte Kirche (IDOP) ist ein weltweiter Tag der Fürbitte für verfolgte Christen weltweit.

Christen auf der ganzen Welt zusammen in einer Petition für die Christen, die in Verfolgungen sind gekommen.




Gemeinsam können wir das Leben von über 100 Millionen verfolgte Christen.

## WHAT IS IDOP?

All over the world, Christians are still persecuted for their faith. For this reason, the global Church sets aside one Sunday a year to collectively pray for our suffering brothers and sisters.

## WHY DO WE PRAY?

Continue to remember those in prison as if you were together with them in prison, and those who are mistreated as if you yourselves were suffering.

**Hebrews 13:3**

If one part suffers, every part suffers with it; if one part is honored, every part rejoices with it.

**1 Corinthians 12:26**

Speak up for those who cannot speak for themselves, for the right of all who are destitute.

**Proverbs 31:8-9**

***All verses are in NIV version.***

## WHY I SERVE THE PERSECUTED

*a special note by ICC President, Jeff King*

As I think about the persecution of our brothers and sisters, I'm reminded of what Jesus said as he blinded Saul while on his way to Damascus to throw Christians into prison. Stunned by the Lord's voice echoing from heaven, Saul fell flat from his horse onto the dusty road. Do you remember what Jesus said that day?

### SAUL, SAUL, WHY ARE YOU PERSECUTING ME?

Jesus didn't ask why Saul was persecuting His children or why Saul was hurting those He loved. He asked why he was persecuting Him, Jesus. This is the foundation of why ICC serves the persecuted Church. We believe it's Jesus that's been imprisoned, kicked from His home, and beaten. We believe it's Jesus we are serving when we advocate for an imprisoned pastor, shelter converts that have lost everything, and nurse the abused back to health. Serving the persecuted is an incredible ministry, one that I would urge you to consider.

Two weeks after coming to Christ, the Lord spoke to me in a clear and powerful way, telling me to ask the forgiveness of somebody I had wounded deeply and to share Him with them. Do you know what He said to me?

### IN HURTING THEM, YOU HURT ME

I had no idea at the time what that meant and still have only a glimpse (see Matthew 25: 31-45). In the end, all I know is that the Word tells us we are ONE BODY and that body is somehow the body of Jesus. This is not a trite phrase or marketing slogan. It is a deep spiritual mystery and reality that we won't fully understand until we get to heaven.

Thank you for praying and caring for the persecuted. Your interest and care for them demonstrates your heart of care for the body of Jesus.

Jeff King
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