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PRAYER FOR THIS COUNTRY

An American former Catholic priest, Richard Daschbach, has gone on trial in East Timor for sexual abuse, child pornography and domestic violence in an orphanage he began in the early 1990s. Though he was defrocked by the Vatican in 2018, he has maintained a high level of support from the predominantly Catholic community in East Timor. Pray that God's justice may prevail. Pray for the healing of the girls involved. Pray for the Holy Spirit to convict Mr. Daschbach. We speak out that this is not part of God's Kingdom, and does not represent the rule and reign of Jesus Christ in East Timor (The Bible, 1 Peter 5:11).

Source: American ex-priest faces East Timor child sex-abuse trial (The Australian).

MORE ABOUT THIS COUNTRY

In stark contrast to the young nation's turbulent past, East Timor peacefully transferred power to a younger generation of leaders in 2017. However, in the last year the general elections failed to give outright leadership to any one party and the coalition has struggled to succeed. The country, also known as Timor-Leste, had a bloody 24-year resistance against Indonesian occupiers. Half of the country still lives in extreme poverty. High levels of youth unemployment fuel gang violence. With nearly 97% of its population being Roman Catholic.



CHIEF OF STATE

President Taur Matan Ruak

HEAD OF GOV.

PM Rui Maria de Araújo

POPULATION

1,231,000

CHRISTIANS

88.1%

EVANGELICAL CHRISTIANS

2.2%

DOMINANT RELIGION

Christianity

PERSECUTION RANKING

Not Ranked

REFUGEES

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LIFE EXPECTANCY

69.22 yrs

LITERACY RATE

58.6%

POPULATION BELOW POVERTY LINE

41%

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