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PRAYER FOR THIS COUNTRY

Bahrain is not ranked in the World Watch list because it is relatively religiously tolerant compared to its neighbors in the Persian Gulf. It is a majority Islamic country mainly with Shia Muslims, but the ruling family is Sunni Muslim. Hamad bin Isa bin Salman al-Khalifa is the king of Bahrain. The Kingdom of Bahrain is the most open island country in the Gulf region and opened its doors to some Christian influence. The constitution of Bahrain officially grants freedom of religion, but a provision also states that this freedom cannot violate established customs, policy or morals, all of which are influenced by Islam. Only a few expatriate Christians in the country experience relative freedom to worship but are under close surveillance by the government and security forces. Converts from Islam experience the most severe persecution, as family members and local communities pressure them to recant their Christian faith.

Praise Report

We praise God that the Gulf's only synagogue, based in Bahrain has started hosting its first weekly prayer service from March 2021. Jewish families in the kingdom will gather for the service at The House of Ten Commandments for the first time in years (The Bible, [Psalm 99:9](#)).

Prayer Request

Pray that Christian Believers from Muslim backgrounds will grow in their knowledge of Christ and become secured in their faith in Christ. Pray for those who have been rejected by their families for conversion(The Bible, [Psalm 140:1](#)).

Pray that Bahraini Christian Believers will gain courage, wisdom and boldness to reach out to their Muslim friends, Colleagues and their family members (The Bible, [Deuteronomy 31:6](#)).

Call to Salvation

We declare divine liberty and freedom over Bahrain that the Bahrainis will get real religious freedom and overcome the constitutional contradiction in the law. Embolden them with the power of the Holy Spirit to profess their faith Christ (The Bible, [Acts 1:8](#)).

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MORE ABOUT THIS COUNTRY

Bahrain means “two bodies of water”: the salt water ocean surrounding it is one body of water, and the other is the fresh water that used to spring up in the various oases in Bahrain. The Kingdom of Bahrain is the most open island country in the Gulf region and opened its doors to some Christian influence. The constitution of Bahrain imposes no restrictions on the right to choose or practice one’s religion, but neither is there any law to prevent discrimination. Converts from Islam to Christianity are shunned by society and sometimes subjected to physical abuse.



CHIEF OF STATE

King Hamad bin Isa Al Khalifa

HEAD OF GOV.

PM Salman bin Hamad Al Khalifa

POPULATION

1,347,000

CHRISTIANS

8.2%

EVANGELICAL CHRISTIANS

2.3%

DOMINANT RELIGION

Shia Islam

PERSECUTION RANKING

Not Ranked

REFUGEES

353

LIFE EXPECTANCY

78.73 yrs

LITERACY RATE

94.6%

POPULATION BELOW POVERTY LINE

Unknown