

# Egypt - Window International Network (WIN)

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## Day 12

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### PRAYER FOR THIS COUNTRY

Egypt is listed in 20<sup>th</sup> position in the World Watch report 2021 by Open Doors for Christian persecution with a slight increase in overall opposition to Christians. The current president of Egypt is Abdel Fattah el-Sisi. Although Egypt's government speaks positively about Egypt's Christian community, the lack of serious law enforcement and the unwillingness of local authorities to protect Christians leave them vulnerable to all kinds of attacks. Due to the dictatorial nature of the regime, neither church leaders nor other Christians are in a position to speak out against these practices. Christians of all backgrounds face difficulties in finding new places for communal worship. The difficulties come both from state restrictions, as well as from communal hostility and mob violence. Christians from a Muslim background often have great difficulty in living out their faith since they face enormous pressure from their families to return to Islam. The state also makes it impossible for them to get any official recognition of their conversion.

### Praise Report

We praise God for the Christian Believers though experiencing the worst human rights crisis in many decades, have stood firm in their faith in Christ. We thank God for human rights defenders, daring journalists and Christian leaders defending rights to worship (The Bible, [John 4:24](#)).

### Prayer Request

Pray for those who turned to Christ in spite of the increase in persecution. Pray for the Christian families in these uncertain times to receive timely help to withstand the deadly pandemic and persecution (The Bible, [Psalm 12:1](#)).

Pray for Egyptian Christian Believers affected by persecution from Islamic extremists. Pray that their needs will be met and God's glory will be revealed to them in an unprecedented way (The Bible, [1 Peter 4:13](#)).

## Call to Salvation

Pray that the Coptic and the Evangelical Christians will shine as Godly light and serve as healing salt among the sorrow stricken people and lead many to Christ (The Bible, Matthew 5:13).

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## MORE ABOUT THIS COUNTRY

Egypt remains the most populous country in the Arab world and holds great regional and global influence. Amid an increasingly repressive government, Egypt is terrorized by Islamic extremism. Egypt was a Majority-Christian nation and today it remains home to the Middle East's largest body of Christians – the Coptic Church (12%). Evangelical Christianity is on the rise, though still only about 3% of the population. Yet Islam remains the state religion and the faith of 87% of its people. Though the Egyptian Church has endured persecution, recent instability and the presence of the Islamic State have intensified its suffering.



### CHIEF OF STATE

President Abdel Fattah el-Sisi

### HEAD OF GOV.

PM Ibrahim Mahlab

### POPULATION

88,487,000

### CHRISTIANS

13%

### EVANGELICAL CHRISTIANS

3.4%

### DOMINANT RELIGION

Sunni Islam

### PERSECUTION RANKING

16

### REFUGEES

261,741

### LIFE EXPECTANCY

73.7 yrs

LITERACY RATE

73.9%

POPULATION BELOW POVERTY LINE

25.2%