

Indonesia

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PRAYER FOR THIS COUNTRY

The government suspended the sale of all liquid medications when it was announced that almost 100 children have died after using syrup medicines. Some ingredients in the medicines caused Acute Kidney Injuries (AKI) in more than 200 children this past year, resulting in 99 deaths. This came just weeks after the deaths of 70 children in Gambia were linked to cough syrup. Pray for those who are investigating to have insight. Pray for the families who have lost children to find Jesus in the midst of their mourning (The Bible, [Revelation 21:4](#)).

Source: [Indonesia bans all syrup medicines after death of 99 children \(BBC\)](#)

MORE ABOUT THIS COUNTRY

Having Southeast Asia's strongest economy, Indonesia is also one of the G20's wealthiest. It is the world's fourth most populous nation. It also has the largest concentration of Muslims, yet Indonesia has an astonishingly high level of Christian presence. More than twelve percent of the population are Christians, over 33 million people, with church growth continuing to increase. While Christianity is not illegal, provincial laws can override it and Islamic law is sometimes used. Muslim extremists continue to spread anti-Christian messages in the public sector. President Widodo's agenda to shift Indonesia from secularism to Islamization would seem to predict elevated levels of Christian persecution in the future. Indonesia has been the worst affected nation in Southeast Asia during the COVID-19 pandemic. They currently hold the 2022 presidency of the G20 and during the Summit in Bali, Indonesia called for urgent attention to be paid to the current global food and fuel crisis.



CHIEF OF STATE

President Joko Widodo

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POPULATION

255.9 million

CHRISTIANS

12.9%

EVANGELICAL CHRISTIANS

2.8%

DOMINANT RELIGION

Sunni Islam

PERSECUTION RANKING

47

REFUGEES

11,186

LIFE EXPECTANCY

72.45 yrs

LITERACY RATE

92.8%

POPULATION BELOW POVERTY LINE

11.7%