

# Kazakhstan

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## Day 25

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PRAYER FOR THIS COUNTRY

### Praise Report

Praise God for Christians who have continued to meet in their homes even when the authorities ousted them from their church premises. Pray that their perseverance will be rewarded (The Bible, [Romans 5:3](#)).

### Prayer Requests

Pray for wisdom for church communities when they face harassment from the authorities, to know how to respond and how God is leading them to continue serving Him (The Bible, [Deuteronomy 6:13](#)).

Pray for Christian missionaries serving in this nation to find favor with the authorities and within the community. May they share the Gospel widely and find those who are hungry and thirsty for Jesus (The Bible, [Psalm 107:9](#)).

### Call to Salvation

Pray for those who have been interested in Jesus, but are afraid to take the step into His Kingdom. Pray that the Holy Spirit will lead them to salvation (The Bible, [Psalm 80:3](#)).

*Sources:*

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[Parish ousted from church after 31 years \(Forum 18\)](#)

### MORE ABOUT THIS COUNTRY

Kazakhstan is a large country the size of Western Europe. Rich in natural resources, Kazakhstan is the leading uranium producer in the world and the economic leader of Central Asia. The money, however, stays primarily in the hands of the elite. Political instability continues to be a significant hindrance to change. The growth of democracy will help against social issues like drug addiction, corruption, domestic violence, and high rates of HIV/Aids. Many Muslim missionaries target Kazakhstan. However, Islam practiced by most people finds high influence from shamanism and other traditional religions. The government does

not give Islam any special status and chooses to be suspicious of all religious beliefs. The impact of Russia's war in Ukraine hurts economies of neighboring nations. Many migrant workers working in Russia are losing their jobs due to Western sanctions. The rising cost of living impacts the impoverished in Kazakhstan. There has been a distinct chill from the leaders of Central Asian nations towards Russia during the last year of the war.

CHIEF OF STATE

President Kassym-Jomart Tokayev

HEAD OF GOV.

PM Alihan Smaiyllov

POPULATION

18,157,000

CHRISTIANS

21.8%

EVANGELICAL CHRISTIANS

0.6%

DOMINANT RELIGION

Sunni Islam

PERSECUTION RANKING

48

REFUGEES

7,764

LIFE EXPECTANCY

70.55 yrs

LITERACY RATE

99.7%

POPULATION BELOW POVERTY LINE

5.3%