

## Barnabas persecution update 12 July 2012

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### Latest need

#### Christian family's plight highlights human cost of Syria conflict

Driven from their home by armed opposition fighters who threatened to kill them, suffering great financial hardship after losing their income, a daughter recovering from a gunshot wound: the plight of this one Christian family highlights the human cost of the ongoing conflict in Syria.



Barnabas Fund is providing food and other essentials to needy Christians in Syria

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#### Dozens dead in triple attack on Christians by Muslims in Nigeria

Over 65 people, including two politicians, have been killed in a triple attack on a Christian farming community in Plateau state, Nigeria, by Muslims.



Christian-owned farms were destroyed in the first attack

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#### Extortion duo who threatened pastors in Nepal detained by police

Police in Nepal have detained two members of an extortion racket who have been threatening to blow up pastors' churches and kill their families if they fail to pay up.



A number of pastors in the Kathmandu Valley have been threatened

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#### Six-year jail sentence for Iranian church leader upheld

A six-year prison sentence for an Iranian pastor, who was arrested as part of a major crackdown on the country's house church movement, has been upheld following an unsuccessful appeal hearing.



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#### Sudan's next constitution will be "100% Islamic" as "template" for others

Sudan's president has said the country's next constitution will be "100% Islamic" to set an example for neighbouring countries, as new political orders are formed following the Arab Spring.



President of Sudan, Omar Hassan al-Bashir

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