



IRAQI KURDISTAN WAYS TO PRAY

Iraqi Kurdistan includes the officially recognised autonomous region along with disputed territories between the Kurdistan Regional Government and the Iraqi government in Baghdad.

Those who populate the region are a broken people. Around two million are refugees from Syrian, Yazidi or other minority backgrounds. They live in camps with only basic facilities and have few prospects in the way of education and employment. Many also bear the physical and emotional scars of past traumas, having endured the trials of war, slavery and sexual abuse.

ONE

Most of the region's two million refugees are under eighteen and there is a real danger of exploitation through slave labour, human trafficking or sex slavery. Recruitment into extremist groups is also a threat.

Pray for young people to know God's protection and to be kept safe.

TWO

ISIS kidnapped thousands of young women to be used as sex slaves or brides. Some were as young as fourteen and many have since been rejected by their families.

Pray that these young women might know healing from their emotional and physical scars and be reunited with their families.

THREE

Many Muslims in the region have become disillusioned with Islam, having experienced the terror of ISIS. They are looking for real truth and love.

Pray that our partners in the region will be able to guide them to a real faith in the Lord Jesus Christ.

FOUR

The Yazidi people are a minority group, despised by Muslims who see them as devil worshippers. Having experienced great persecution under ISIS, thousands of Yazidi live in refugee camps.

Pray that workers in the camps would help the Yazidi people find healing and discover the love of God in Christ.

FIVE

Our partner 'H' operates a powerful bridge-building aid ministry which has enabled many house churches to be planted inside the refugee camps of northern Iraq.

Pray for 'H' and all involved - that the open doors currently experienced will remain, and that many will come to saving faith in Christ.

SIX

One church led by 'Pastor D' has a powerful ministry among Syrian refugees. The church began with 8 people and now has over 150! They have outgrown their building.

Pray for Pastor "D" and his family as they reach out with the love of Christ to this broken community.

SEVEN

Alongside Islamic oppression, local Catholic and Orthodox churches are active in seeking to tear down the ministries of evangelical churches. Individuals are regularly persecuted.

Pray for protection for those seeking to spread the gospel, and for their safety as they travel between various areas of ministry.



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