

Pray for Mexico

5 - 11 July 2020



Although the Mexican constitution guarantees the right to freedom of religion or belief, minority faith communities continue to be targeted. Government officials – both at the state and local level – often display a general lack of interest in religious freedom, meaning that the right is regularly violated and those who cause the violations are rarely held to account. The impact of organised crime also has a serious effect on freedom of religion. In 2018 Mexico was ranked the world's most dangerous country for Catholic priests for the tenth year in a row. Find out more about Mexico at [csw.org.uk/mexico](https://www.csw.org.uk/mexico)

Sunday 5 July

Authorities cut off water and sewage services to two Protestant Christian families in La Mesa Limantitla, Hidalgo State in January 2019. With the current outbreak of COVID-19 (coronavirus), the families have become even more vulnerable. Pray God's protection over them, and that their access to basic services would be respected.

Monday 6 July

Religious leaders running shelters and protecting the rights of migrants are increasingly vulnerable to attacks, kidnap, enforced disappearance and murder. Pray for the safety of these religious leaders and for a thorough investigation into all attacks against them.

Tuesday 7 July

On 4 January 2020 Father Roly Candelario Piña Camacho was kidnapped. Although his family paid the ransom demanded by his captors, he was found on the side of a highway two days later with four gunshot wounds. Pray that he would be healed, both of his physical wounds and any psychological trauma.

Wednesday 8 July

Praise God for Kevin's return to school. Hundreds of you emailed the governor of Chiapas to campaign for him after his schooling was interrupted when members of his faith community were driven out of their homes in 2018. Thanks to your support, he's now able to continue working towards his dream of becoming a doctor.

Thursday 9 July

Sadly other children from minority faith groups are still being prevented from receiving fair access to education. CSW is currently aware of at least 38 children out of school because of their beliefs. Pray that like Kevin, they too would be able to return to school.

Friday 10 July

'Finally, all of you, be likeminded, be sympathetic, love one another, be compassionate and humble.' (1 Peter 3:8) Pray this verse over the people of Mexico.

Saturday 11 July

Loving heavenly Father, we lift to you the nation of Mexico. Give strength to all faith communities suffering for their beliefs and soften the hearts of all those seeking to do them harm. Grant protection, peace and freedom to people of all faiths. Amen.

CSW everyone
free to believe

CSW is a human rights organisation advocating for freedom of religion or belief, and as Christians we stand with everyone facing injustice because of their religion or belief.