

Pray for Sudan

25 September-1 October 2022



Pastor Stefanous Adil Kajo, an Evangelical Lutheran Church leader, was convicted of ‘disturbing the peace’ and sentenced to one month in prison on 25 April, after his own church was attacked by extremists just two weeks earlier. Pastor Kajo’s assailant was convicted at the same time and received the same sentence, despite confessing that he had forced his way into the church and attacked the pastor.

This injustice is one of the indicators that demonstrates the concerning direction Sudan has been heading in since the military coup of October 2021, which overthrew the civilian-led transition government.

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Sunday 25 September

Pray for Pastor Kajo and his congregation today. Ask God to protect them from further harassment and attacks, and to ease religious tensions in their community in Gezira state.

Monday 26 September

During the attack on Pastor Kajo’s church, several Bibles were destroyed and chairs were broken. Ask God to provide for the church financially so that they can restore and repair these damages, and to comfort anyone suffering with trauma from the attack.

Tuesday 27 September

Interference in church affairs has increased across the country since the coup. Pray today for an end to the harassment of church leaders in particular, and for the dissolution of illegally constituted committees which attempt to restrict and control church activities.

Wednesday 28 September

Paul Kouk, a 19-year-old church elder, was killed in an attack on Aneet market in the disputed region of Abyei on 14 February. Please pray for his family and loved ones today, and for peace and stability in the Abyei region.

Thursday 29 September

Pray for the international community as it responds to the situation in Sudan. Pray particularly for the UN Human Rights Council to actively monitor the situation in Sudan until there are meaningful improvements in the country’s political and human rights situation.

Friday 30 September

Pray for Nada Hamad Koko and Hamoda Teya Kaffi, a married couple who were charged with adultery after Mr Kaffi converted from Islam to Christianity. The law prohibits a Muslim woman from being married to a non-Muslim man, so a court granted the application for divorce brought by Ms Koko’s family. However, when the couple later reunited, they were arrested for adultery. Ms Koko has now also converted to Christianity, but they are still facing criminal charges. Pray that justice is served.

Saturday 1 October

Dear God, today we lift Sudan to you. We ask that you would restore democracy to the country, and for an end to the decades-long repression of the rights of religious and ethnic minorities in particular. May your freedom reign in every town, village and city today. Amen.