

Dear Friends,

We ask you to pray for the safety of the Coptic Christians in Egypt. Violence has erupted in Egypt after the ouster of former President Mohammed Morsi. His supporters have taken to the streets in violent protest. Since August 14th, scores of Christian Churches, businesses, and houses have been ransacked and burned.

This latest burst of violence is in reaction to the government's crackdown of 2 camps calling for the reinstatement of Mohammed Morsi and the Brotherhood regime. The violence started in Cairo, the location of the camps, and spread throughout Egypt.

As violence rises estimates of the number of attacks and death toll vary greatly. The government has only reported 7 attacks on churches so far whereas Christian media has stated [at least 27 have been attacked](#) so far. The Egyptian Ministry has stated 235 people were killed and more than 1000 injured. Other sources have put the death toll already at more than 1000.

Although the removal of President Morsi and his house arrest on July 3rd was welcomed by millions across Egypt, targeted violence erupted against the Christian community. The first wave of violence throughout July and the first week of August blamed Christians as military supporters, scapegoating them with kidnappings and even a beheading. Little was said by the international community or media against the Brotherhood's bloody assaults on Copts emboldening them in this latest wave of violence.

During this week's wave, defenseless Copts: men, women, and children have been killed and assaulted, churches and homes burned. Yet no one will stand up for the Copts and the U.S. stands by in what many can only define as [indifference](#). According to former US Commissioner of the U.S. Commission on International Religious Freedom, the U.S. continues to fund the military but refuses to use this as leverage (if they have any leverage left) to urge them to protect ALL of their people. There is no policy to help the religious minorities in Egypt. The U.S. will stand by waiting for the ["democratic process"](#) to move forward while the brunt of the violence plays out on the largest population of Christians in the Middle East, the small Coptic Minority. For detailed, reliable, and daily news feeds from one of the only sources reporting on attacks on Copts, join the [MidEast Christian News](#).

Although Jubilee Campaign has no connection with this blog, [click here](#) for a continually updated blog listing and describing attacks on Christians in Egypt since the new eruption on August 14th. As you see the names and pictures and read the articles please pray for those in Egypt surrounded by this violence. Pray for the victims of this violence and those mourning the loss of loved ones. Pray for God's grace and peace over the land of Egypt as it teeters on civil war. Pray that leaders both local and abroad will work to solve this conflict and protect all people in Egypt.