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# Brunei



## About

Brunei has an extremely high level of economic wealth, however Christians are treated like second-class citizens. The country is governed by Sharia (Islamic) law. Churches must be registered and are heavily monitored. There are three registered churches that are allowed to display crosses. Other public displays of Christian symbols and the public celebration of Christian holidays (like Christmas) are illegal.

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## Story

**“I want Christian children have a solid foundation in Christ, and for those who don’t know Him to encounter Him through us.”**

– Joyce\*, school principal from Brunei.

As a school principal, Joyce oversees 30 teachers and 1,500 students. They follow the national curriculum, but through their actions teach Christian values like respect and obedience.

### Pray



Pray for believers in Brunei to continue to be bold in their faith and for the church to continue to grow.

Pray that Muslims are curious to seek a different faith outside of the state-lead Muslim religion.

**Score**  
63/100



### Source Of Persecution

**General Population**

**Christian Population**

**Main Religion**

**Region**

**Government**

**Leader**

Islamic Oppression

434 Thousand

57.4 Thousand

Islam

Asia

Absolute Monarchy

Sultan Hassanal Bolkiah