



[On January 15, 2020](#), Jayson Casper from Christianity Today reported on [Open Doors USA's 2020 World Watch List \(WWL\)](#), the latest annual accounting from Open Doors of the top 50 countries where Christians are the most persecuted for their faith. The 2020 WWL tracks the time period from November 1, 2018 to October 31, 2019.

According to the news report, the Open Doors USA's 2020 WWL says Nigeria ranks:

- **No. 1** in the world in the number of Christians killed for their faith
 - **1,350 Christians were killed in Nigeria, accounting for 45% of Christian murders worldwide**
- **No. 1** in abductions of Christians
 - **224 Christians were abducted in Nigeria, accounting for 21% of Christian abductions worldwide**
- **No. 1** in forced marriages
 - **130 Christians in Nigeria were forced into marriage, accounting for 21% of Christians forced into marriage worldwide**
- **No. 1** in attacked Christian homes
 - **1,500 Christian homes in Nigeria were attacked, accounting for 45% of Christian homes attacked worldwide**
- **No. 1** in looted Christian shops
 - **1,000 Christian shops in Nigeria were looted, accounting for 51% of Christian shops looted worldwide**
- **No. 2** in violence against Christians
- **No. 5** in churches attacked or closed
 - **150 churches in Nigeria were impacted**
- **No. 8** in Christians raped or sexually harassed

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