

## Today's Martyrs – August 2008

**Friday August 1, 2008**



### **Iraq: Mosul**

Haisam Khidr (**killed**)

<http://indefenseofchristians.org/wp-content/uploads/2016/03/Genocide-report.pdf>

**Monday August 4, 2008**



### **Egypt**

Peter Athanasius aka Maher El-Gowhary (aged 57, convert, father of Dina, filed suit to officially change his religion to Christianity)

<http://www.aina.org/news/20090925191939.htm>

**Monday August 11, 2008**



### **Iraq: Bagdad**

Cesar Anwar Hormoz Coureyal (**killed**)

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**Monday August 25, 2008**



**India: Kandhamal, Orissa state**

Fr Bernard Digal (severely beaten, left unconscious and half naked in a forest overnight)

Sr Meena Barwa (niece of Archbishop John Barwa, raped by 10 men)

**India: near Raikia, Kandhamal, Orissa state**

Parikhita Nayak (husband of Kanaka Rekha Nayak, father of two, home destroyed, two Christian friends killed, hid in the forest)

Kanaka Rekha Nayak (widow of Parikhita Nayak, mother of two, home destroyed, hid in the forest)

<http://www.asianews.it/news-en/Orissa-pogrom:-three-convicted,-six-acquitted-of-gang-rape-of-Sister-Meena-Barwa-30557.html>

<http://www.asianews.it/news-en/Fr.-Bernard-Digal-dies,-India-mourns-another-martyr-of-Orissa-13606.html>

<http://www.asianews.it/news-en/Survivor-of-Kandhamal-pogrom:-I-lost-everything-except-Jesus-35892.html>



**Iraq: Al Meshrak, Mosul**

Tarek Rashad Al Kattan (killed)

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**Tuesday August 26, 2008**



**India: near Raikia, Kandhamal, Orissa state**

Parikhita Nayak (husband of Kanaka Rekha Nayak, father of two, home destroyed on [August 25-26, 2008](#), two Christian friends killed, hid in the forest; **UPDATE**: brought to a Hindu temple, beaten and threatened with death, refused to deny Christ, dragged with a cycle chain around his neck, **beheaded**)

<http://www.asianews.it/news-en/Survivor-of-Kandhamal-pogrom:-I-lost-everything-except-Jesus-35892.html>

**Saturday August 30, 2008**



**Iraq: Mosul**

Nafae Besheer Gomoaa (**killed**)

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**August 2008, date unknown**