

## Today's Martyrs – September 2009

**Monday September 7, 2009**



### **Iraq: Mosul**

Salem Bergo (**killed**)

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

**Friday September 11, 2009**



### **United States – Michigan: Owosso**

Jim Pouillon (elderly man, **shot dead** while participating in an anti-abortion protest)

[https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Murder\\_of\\_Jim\\_Pouillon](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Murder_of_Jim_Pouillon)

**Sunday September 13, 2009**



### **Egypt: Cairo Airport**

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**UPDATE:** prevented from leaving the country for China)

Dina (aged 15, convert, daughter of Peter Athanasius, prevented from leaving the country for China)

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

**Tuesday September 15, 2009**



Robert Danish (**tortured to death in prison**, official cause ruled a suicide, had volunteered to take his father's place in prison)

Tariq Chaudhry (brother of Robert Danish)

<http://britishpakistanichristian.blogspot.co.uk/2009/09/murder-or-suicide-you-decide.html>

**Tuesday September 22, 2009**



**Egypt: Cairo Airport**

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**September 2009, date unknown**



**China; near Taiyuan, Shanxi province**

**Two pastors were arrested for “gathering a mob to disturb public order” after holding a prayer rally on [September 14, 2009](#) following the demolition of a house church in [Linfen](#)**

Pastor Wang Xiaoguang (husband of Yang Rongli, arrested)

Pastor Yang Rongli (wife of Wang Xiaoguang, arrested)

<http://www.chinaaid.org/2016/10/megachurch-pastor-released-after.html>