

## Today's Martyrs – April 2012

Wednesday April 4, 2012



### Iraq: Bagdad

Hosni Kaseer (killed)

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

Friday April 6, 2012



### Tanzania: near Bushangaro

Fr Anastasius Nsherenguzi (aged 43, hit with a large rock while trying to persuade several young men to end their street altercation)

<http://www.fides.org/en/news/31367#.VgNys8Llsfg>

Saturday April 7, 2012



### Tanzania: near Bushangaro

Fr Anastasius Nsherenguzi (aged 43, hit with a large rock on April 6, 2012 while trying to persuade several young men to end their street altercation; **UPDATE: died**)

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Wednesday April 11, 2012



**Belarus: Svetlogorsk, Gormel region**

Dmitry Lebedko (fined 700,000 roubles for leading religious worship in his home, lost appeal)

**Saturday April 14, 2012**



**Indonesia: Tangerang**

Pastor Abraham Boys (forced to seek asylum in the United States)

**Sunday April 15, 2012**



**Azerbaijan: Baku**

Mechti Suleymanov (elder of a church which has been ordered by the government to be "liquidated")

Matti Sirvio (said that his church liquidation is being done to appease Muslims who are also being subjected to government crackdowns)

**Thursday April 19, 2012**



**Belarus: Slonim, Grodno region**

Andrei Boiko (led a home religious service that was raided by police - everyone was detained until they produced identifications)

**Tuesday April 24, 2012**



**Russia: Spassk-Dalny, Primorskiy Territory**

Yuri Vasilchenko (home raided by authorities, religious literature seized, fined 3,000 roubles / US\$95)

[http://www.forum18.org/Archive.php?article\\_id=1728](http://www.forum18.org/Archive.php?article_id=1728)

**Wednesday April 25, 2012**



**Russia: Akhtubinsk, Astrakhan Region**

Yelena Grigoryeva (on trial for inciting hatred)



**Nigeria: Maiduguri**

Deborah Shettima (alias, convert, wife, mother of three, husband shot dead in a Boko Haram attack on her home, two daughters abducted, son killed in a Boko Haram attack three months later)

Sarah Shettima (aged 9, alias, abducted by Boko Haram)

Tabitah Shettima (aged 7, abducted by Boko Haram)

<https://www.opendoorsusa.org/take-action/pray/tag-prayer-updates-post/deborahs-story-from-nigeria/>

**April 2012, date unknown**



**Syria: Damascus**

Caroline (arrested for distributing chocolate Easter eggs)

**Syria: Khalidiya**

Mother Agnès-Mariam de la Croix (St. James Monastery, described how rebels forced Christian and Alawi hostages into a building and then blew up the building with explosives to make the deaths appear to have been caused by the Syrian army)

<http://online.wsj.com/article/SB10000872396390443537404577579473069060742.html>