

Today's Martyrs

Resources for understanding current Christian witness and martyrdom

Events – October 2011

Saturday October 1, 2011



Pakistan: Punjab province

Barkat Masih (aged 55, convert, incarcerated on blasphemy charges)

<http://www.asianews.it/news-en/Punjab:-Christian-sentenced-to-death-for-blasphemy-acquitted-on-appeal-27000.html>

Sunday October 2, 2011



Iraq: Tel Kaif, Mosul

Bassam Boulus Isho Alsanati (**killed**)

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

Thursday October 6, 2011



India: Kandhamal district, Orissa state

Pastor Nirakant Pradhan (arrested on a charge of assisting Maoist rebels)

<http://www.fides.org/aree/news/newsdet.php?idnews=32342&lan=eng>

Sunday October 9, 2011



Egypt: Cairo

Up to 27 people are killed and more than 300 injured, mostly Christians, by the army during peaceful demonstrations near the Maspero television building against the Aswan provincial governor's defense of the demolition of a church

Mina ('young woman', **killed**)

Peter ('young man', **killed when run over by an armored vehicle**, a priest attempted to bring his remains to his family)

https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Maspero_demonstrations
<http://www.asianews.it/news-en/Egypt-under-shock-by-brutal-anti-Coptic-attack-as-calls-for-the-govt-to-resign-mount-22890.html>

Monday October 10, 2011



Egypt: Cairo

Mina ('young woman', **killed** in the Maspero massacre; **UPDATE**: funeral procession attacked by Muslim fundamentalists)

<http://www.asianews.it/news-en/Egypt-under-shock-by-brutal-anti-Coptic-attack-as-calls-for-the-govt-to-resign-mount-22890.html>

Thursday October 13, 2011



Egypt: Cairo

Pope Shenouda III aka Nazir Gayed Roufail (aged 88; **UPDATE**: in a meeting with the prime minister denied the army's account of the Maspero Massacre and said that the protestors had been peaceful and unarmed)

<http://www.asianews.it/news-en/Truth-and-justice-not-lies-and-superficiality-on-massacre-of-Copts-22911.html>

Monday October 17, 2011



Philippines: Arakan

Fr Fausto Tentorio PIME (aged 59, Italian national, **killed**)

<http://www.pime.org/index.php?l=en&idn=85>

Thursday October 27, 2011



Kenya: Nairobi

Hassan (aged 21, convert from Islam, beaten by a Muslim gang, lost two teeth)

<http://morningstarnews.org/2016/02/muslim-relatives-of-somali-christian-in-kenya-beat-him-unconscious-for-his-faith/>

October 2011, date unknown



Egypt: Mellawi

Ayman Nabil Labib (aged 17, Muslim teacher ordered him to cover the cross tattoo on his wrist, refused and pulled out the cross he wore around his neck from under his shirt, attacked by the teacher and some students, **beaten to death**)

<http://www.raymondibrahim.com/islam/islamic-hate-for-the-christian-cross/>