International Religious Freedom Alliance launched

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The U.S. State Department announced 27 countries have joined the new International Religious Freedom Alliance that seeks to reduce religious persecution across the globe.

High-profile evangelicals embrace Trump peace plan

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When President Donald Trump unveiled his plan for peace between Israel and the Palestinians, which calls for some land swaps with Palestinians and a Palestinian capital in East Jerusalem, his most loyal evangelical advisers applauded the effort.

Court orders Myanmar to

prevent Rohingya genocide

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The United Nations' top court has ordered the government of Myanmar to take urgent measures to prevent genocide against the Rohingya, a Muslim minority in the majority-Buddhist country.

Technology advancing persecution, watchdog group reports

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The use of technology is advancing and strengthening religious persecution, Open Doors CEO David Curry said in releasing his organization's 2020 World Watch List of the 50 countries where such persecution is most severe.

International officials urge

China to release jailed pastor

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The United States and the European Union are urging China to free Pastor Wang Yi, sentenced to nine years in prison in what religious liberty advocates call Christian persecution.

State Department cites religious freedom violators

February 10, 2020

The State Department issued its latest designations of the world's most serious violators of religious freedom, moving Sudan down to its next-tier watchlist.

Venezuelan exodus offers historic moment for gospel

February 10, 2020

For months, Paul and Robin Tinley have been watching people spill out of Venezuela and into Colombia, where they serve with the International Mission Board. About 5,000 a day walk away from Venezuela's economic

meltdown in hopes that they can escape hunger, crime, unemployment and lack of medical care.

South Korean students catch missions vision

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For many South Korean students, participating in a midterm missions experience is life altering. They are trained and then sent out to work alongside International Mission Board missionaries in different parts of Asia.

Christian persecution spikes in Hindu-nationalist India

February 10, 2020

Persecution is spiking in India under extreme rightwing Hindu nationalism encouraged by the Bharatiya Janata Party, according to reports from across the Asian nation.

China frees Christian prisoner but persecution ongoing

February 10, 2020

China has freed an imprisoned Christian but continues a reign of persecution including church demolitions and restrictions barring foreign students from worship, religious liberty advocates reported.

Christian aid groups vow to stay in Syria after US withdrawal

February 10, 2020

Earlier this month, the pastor of a Kurdish Christian church in northeastern Syria gathered his congregation to decide whether to leave or stay as Turkish forces pressed into the region after U.S. troops had suddenly withdrawn. Only eight families planned to leave.

Days spent in prayer enabled Brunson to endure Turkish prison

February 10, 2020

Daily prayer sustained Pastor Andrew Brunson during his 735-day ordeal in prison that began after 23 years of spreading the gospel in Turkey.