

The Government of Hungary and International Christian Concern present:

THE NEXUS OF PERSECUTION AND HUMANITARIAN AID

A Case Study on Nigeria

Date

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Religious freedom is a fundamental human right, and when violated through persecution, it is often coupled with dire humanitarian need. Many Western governments resist the crossover of humanitarian aid with the advancement of religious liberty, while evidence shows that regions where religious minorities, especially Christians, are regularly suppressed and discriminated against, often endure extreme human hardship due to a lack of access to food, healthcare, education, and more simply because of their religious identity. This nexus manifests dynamically in the day-to-day life of the persecuted individual.

This event will reveal the deeper complexities of this nexus and provide examples of successful case studies where humanitarian aid implementation efforts have saved entire persecuted Christian communities, restored their livelihoods, and expanded their ability to navigate in society. The event will specifically highlight how this nexus has been a successful model in Nigeria, where atrocities committed by terrorist groups have eroded the Christian community's livelihood over the years and humanitarian aid has been especially successful in restoring communities to full functional capability. Further, the event will reveal how limitations on religious freedom create direct voids where only humanitarian aid and direct assistance can mitigate emerging societal injustices. While transformation in societies that persecute Christians is most desired, the practical needs of the persecuted must be met in the meantime.

