

# ARRESTED *in* SUDAN

In Islamic Sudan, Rev. Hassan Abdelrahim Kodi and Rev. Kuwa Shemaal, activist Abdelmoneim Abdelmoula, and a Czech pastor named Petr Jasek, have been charged with conspiring against the state, espionage & spreading false information.

These charges are punishable by death or life imprisonment. These people are persecuted for the Faith.

Their trial started Sunday 21 August 2016. Please mobilize prayer for their protection & release.

On 5 September, armed police and officials from the National Intelligence and Security Services (NISS) arrested the headmaster, Rev. Samuel Suliman,

and 12 teachers of a Christian school in Madani, capital of Al Jazirah state, in south-eastern Sudan and took over its property. Police presented a letter from the National Ministry of Guidance and Endowments, addressed to the State Ministry of Social Welfare, ordering the handover of Evangelical Basic School to the government.

The school serves more than 1,000 students. Established by the American Mission in 1901, it belongs to the Sudan Presbyterian Evangelical Church.

Harassment, arrests and persecution of Christians have intensified since 2011. The Sudanese Minister of Guidance and Endowments announced in April 2013 that no new licenses would be granted for building new churches in Sudan. Since 2012 Sudan has expelled foreign Christians and bulldozed church buildings.

*“Remember the prisoners as if chained with them - those who are mistreated - since you yourselves are in the body also.”* Hebrews 13:3

