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## Update on the Worldwide Ministry of The HOPE



The HOPE is an 80 minute dramatic motion picture presentation of God's amazing story of redemption as revealed in 36 Biblical events from creation through Christ.

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## HOPE Behind Veils and Masks

*How God is Moving in the Muslim World*



*Veils and masks cannot hide hearts from the Gospel.*

Of the top 20 countries in the world where Christianity is growing the fastest, 11 have a predominantly Muslim population. They are all in the Middle East, Africa and Asia; 4 of them are actually governed by Islamic law. How do we explain the rise of Christianity in these countries?

Taking a page from recent history in China, we are reminded that oppression and persecution is actually the soil in which the Church grows. There are now thought to be as many as 100 million believers in China, with up to 10,000 people coming to faith across the country every single day. Researchers project that by 2030, China will be the most Christian nation on earth, with an estimated 247 million followers of Christ.

With the rise of highly publicized persecution and violence from Islamic groups like ISIS, an amazing thing is happening. God is using this wave of evil terror to cause Muslims around the world to re-examine their belief system. The most critical combat is not being fought with guns and knives, but with ideas and worldview; and on this battlefield, the truth of the Gospel of Jesus Christ is prevailing! Through the ministry of The HOPE, Mars Hill is blessed to have a role in this mighty movement of God...

# Hope on the Internet

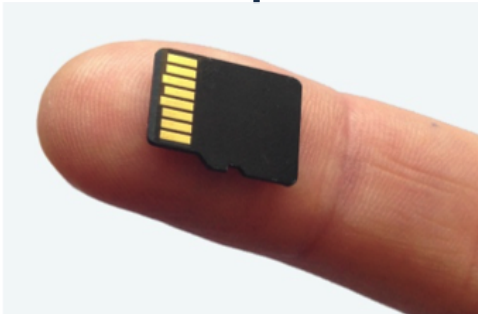


*This graph shows our recent increase in traffic.*

[TheHOPEProject.com](http://TheHOPEProject.com) is our website that streams The HOPE and provides help for seekers in many of the world's major languages.

- In the past few months, our traffic has climbed from an average of 300 visitors/day to over 600 visitors/day.
- Over 70% of these visitors are coming from predominantly Muslim countries.
- In the past month, we've had over 2,000 visitors from Indonesia, the most populated Muslim country in the world. And we don't even have an Indonesian version of The HOPE (but we're working on it).
- 3 weeks ago, we launched the Farsi version. Since then, we've had over 2,000 online visitors from Iran.
- Regularly, we receive 3 types of emails from the Muslim world: 1) those who hate our message, 2) those who want to know more and 3) those who have come to faith after time on our site.

## HOPE on a Finger Tip



Within the past few weeks, we partnered with other ministries to send 40 thousand micro SD cards to the underground Church in Iran for undercover distribution. Each card contained The Farsi HOPE video (and some other videos) and a Farsi Bible. In an earlier project we partnered to send 50,000 micro SD cards with The HOPE into Arabic speaking countries. Unlike printed Bibles, micro SD cards can easily be copied and inserted into mobile phones, where they are hidden from the view of those who are hostile to the Gospel.

## HOPE in the Town Square



Two of our partners are streaming The HOPE video on micro Wi-Fi transmitters. These tiny units can be hidden from view and used just about anywhere: a town square, a market, a train or a remote village. They send out a Wi-Fi signal transmitting only the content you determine; in this case, The HOPE video. When people look at their Wi-Fi enabled mobile device, they see that a signal is available, which is a big deal in areas where Internet service is poor and hotspots are few. When people connect, they connect to God's redemptive story!

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# HOPE over the Heavens



Within the past year, one of our partners has broadcast The Urdu HOPE nationwide via satellite in Pakistan. Another partner is now scheduling broadcasts of The Farsi HOPE in Iran.

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## Prayer Requests

- Please pray for God's protection over the Internet ministry of The HOPE. One of our partners recently informed us that their website had been hacked and brought down by an Internet terrorist group called the Muslim Force.
  - Countries like Iran often use a technique called jamming to block certain satellite signals. There are windows and ways to get around it, but jamming is a real problem in closed access countries. Please pray that God allows our partners to win this war in the heavens.
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