

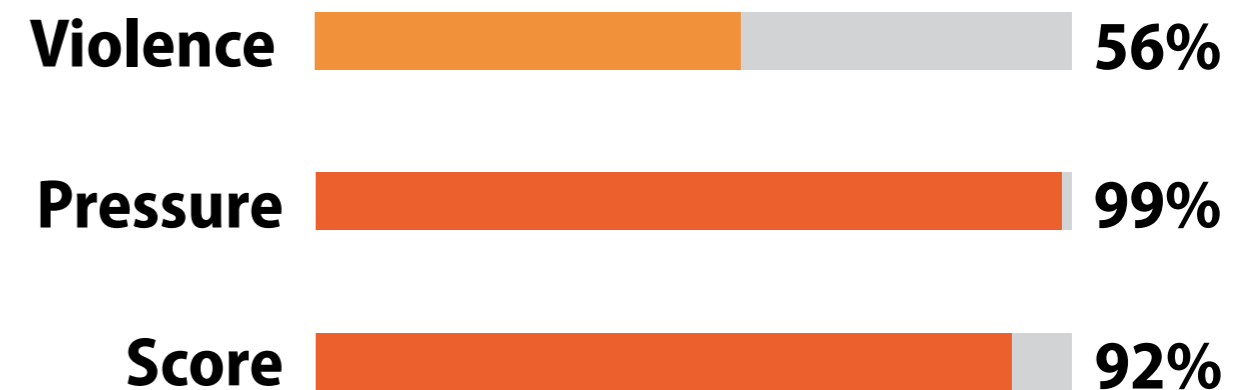
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“Despite all the struggles... the isolation and persecution, I’m at peace. This is why I hold on to Christ. Going back to Islam isn’t an option.”

– Mohammed*, a former Muslim

Region	East Africa
Christian population	Less than 1%
Main religion	Islam
Source of persecution	Islamic oppression



About Somalia

Ninety nine percent of Somalis are Muslims. So, Islam is an important part of Somali identity and following Jesus is seen as a huge betrayal. The militant Islamist group, Al-Shabaab, has stated publicly that it 'wants Somalia free of all Christians'. So, most Somali Christians keep their faith completely secret because the militants will often kill Christians on the spot.



There is no room for Christianity in Somalia. Pray that the Lord will continue to build His Kingdom there despite hostilities.

Our Work

Open Doors, through partnerships, is involved in strengthening the Church in Somalia. We support the persecuted Church in the region through prayer and discipleship, literature distribution, advocacy and awareness, and community development programmes.

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