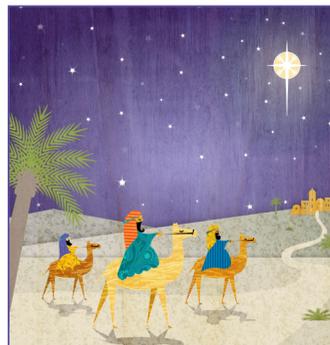


SEND CHRISTMAS CARDS TO PRISONERS

Every Christmas we send Christmas Cards to our loved ones near and far. Would you also include a Christian prisoner on your Christmas Card list? On the facing page, you will find brief information about and addresses for prisoners in China, Pakistan and Iran.

The addresses for **John Cao** and **Zafar Bhatti** are the prisons where they are being held, while the address for **Mahrokh Kanbari** is c/o Middle East Concern, which will arrange to get your card delivered to her. We can't guarantee that your card will reach the prisoner, but even if it doesn't, there is still great value in sending it. It will make clear that the prisoner is known and cared about overseas, which can influence how they are treated. If received by the prisoner, your card will be a great encouragement.



Card Writing Guidelines

1. Begin by choosing a Christmas card (use one with a Bible verse/Nativity scene if you like)
2. Write a short greeting – John and Zafar speak English but Mahrokh does not (but a prison guard or fellow prisoner may be able to translate).
3. Assure the prisoner that you are praying for him/her.

DON'T make any criticism of the government

DON'T mention Church in Chains (or any similar organisation)

DON'T refer to their arrest or sentence

How should I address the envelope?

With great care – prison addresses are quite long.

Print the address clearly and carefully first before affixing correct postage and airmail sticker.

What does it cost to post the card?

€1.70 (from Ireland)

From the UK: 70p to Mahrokh Kanbari

£1.35 to John Cao and Zafar Bhatti

When is the latest date for posting for Christmas?

Friday 6 December is the official date but please do post your card anytime in December as it will bring encouragement whenever it arrives.

PRISONER NAMES AND ADDRESSES

John Sanqiang Cao
Kunming Prison
No. 416 Si Wa Lu,
Wang Da Qiao, Dongjiao,
Panlong District
Kunming City,
Yunnan 650216
PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF CHINA

Postage: €1.70
(£1.35 from UK)

John was detained in March 2017 while returning to China from Myanmar and was sentenced a year later. In July 2019, his seven-year sentence was upheld. In prison, he has suffered back pain, digestive problems and toothache.

Pastor John Cao (59) is serving a seven-year prison sentence in China for "organising illegal border crossings" between China and Myanmar. A resident of North Carolina, he made many trips to his native China to establish schools before expanding into Myanmar, where he delivered aid and set up 16 schools for over 2,000 impoverished children. Pastor



Pastor Zafar Bhatti (56) has been in prison in Pakistan since 2012, when an Islamic leader accused him of sending blasphemous texts. The phone in question did not belong to Zafar and he denies the charge, but in May 2017 he was

sentenced to life in prison. Zafar's appeal hearing has been adjourned repeatedly, despite a judge saying he should be released because there is no evidence against him. Before his arrest, Zafar sold medicines and ministered to those he visited. He also led an aid NGO. In prison, he has been beaten and has developed diabetes.

Zafar Bhatti
Special pehra
Circle 4
Adyala jail
Rawalpindi ,
PAKISTAN 44000

Postage: €1.70
(£1.35 from UK)

FAO: Mahrokh Kanbari
c/o Middle East Concern,
PO Box 1376,
Luton LU1 9PP
ENGLAND

Postage: €1.70
(70p from UK)

detained for ten days' intense interrogation before being released on bail. In January 2019, Mahrokh was forced to visit an Islamic cleric to receive religious "instruction" and direction to reconvert to Islam. She was tried and sentenced in July, and in October she was summoned to prison.

Mahrokh Kanbari (65) is serving a one-year prison sentence in Iran for "propaganda against the system". A convert from Islam, she was arrested in a raid on her home in December 2018. Intelligence agents



confiscated belongings including her phone and Bible and took her to their offices, where she was