SEND CHRISTMAS CARDS **TO CHRISTIAN PRISONERS**

As you prepare to write Christmas cards to family and friends, we'd like to encourage you to also send a card to a Christian prisoner of conscience in China, Iran or Pakistan.

Pastor Zhang Shaojie is serving a 12-year sentence in China and is not due for release until 2025. Cards for Pastor Zhang can be sent to the prison where he is being held.

Anooshavan Avedian is an Iranian church leader and began serving a 10-year sentence in September 2023. The address for Anooshavan is c/o Church in Chains.

Shagufta Kiran has been in prison in Pakistan since July 2021 and is awaiting trial under Pakistan's blasphemy law. The address for Shaqufta is c/o The Edge Foundation, a Church in Chains partner.

What do I need to remember when writing my card?

1. Choose a Christmas card (use one with a Bible verse and Nativity scene if you like)

- 2. Write a short greeting
- 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 DON'T include your address

When is the latest date for posting for Christmas?

Wednesday 6 December is the official date but please do post your card any time before Christmas.

Zhang Shaojie

Xinmi Prison of Zhenazhou P.O. Box 841, Xinmi Post 61 Sonashan Avenue East Xinmi City Henan Province 452370 CHINA Postage: €2.20 or W stamp (£2.20 from UK)

Anooshavan Avedian

c/o Church in Chains PO Box 10447 Glenageary Co. Dublin IRELAND Postage: €1.35 or N stamp (£2.20 from UK)



Shaqufta Kiran

c/o The Edge Foundation PO Box 5043 Model Town A Block Lahore PAKISTAN



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For more information on each of the prisoners, see the Prisoners section on our website www.churchinchains.ie



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