



Write and pray for three prisoners and their families

Remember William on 10th anniversary

September 17th marks the tenth anniversary of the arrest of **William Shaiboub**, an Egyptian Coptic Christian, who is serving a 15-year sentence for murder – convicted on the evidence of two men who have since retracted the statements they gave under duress. He was one of thousands of Christians rounded up indiscriminately, and has been tortured. Please encourage him and his family with a friendly greeting.

William Shaiboub, c/o Bishop Wissa, The Diocese of Baliana, Baliana, Sohag Province, Arab Republic of Egypt
Airmail: 54p up to 10g, 78p up to 20g

‘An amazing, strong and courageous woman’: standing for rights in Vietnam



Two Christian human rights lawyers jailed in Vietnam last year have had twelve months removed from their prison sentences. But they still face long periods of house arrest whenever they are eventually released.

Le Thi Cong Nhan, 29, spokesperson for the young Vietnam Progression Party, which calls for multi-party democracy, will serve three years in prison and a further three under house arrest. She had been preparing for baptism before her conviction and has since been baptised in prison by the Rev Nguyen Hong Quang, who described her as ‘an amazing, strong and courageous woman.’ Christians Against Torture supporters wrote for Pastor Quang when he was himself in detention.

Nguyen Van Dai, 39, a church elder, has defended other accused believers in court and regularly posted pro-democracy essays on foreign websites. His five year sentence, reduced to four, was for spreading propaganda intended to undermine Vietnam’s communist government. He will be under house arrest for a further three years.



Please send a postcard to Dai’s wife, Vu Minh Khanh, Phong 302, Nha Z8, Bach Khao, Hanoi, Vietnam

and to Cong Nahn’s mother

Tran Thi Le, Nha 316-A7 Khu Tap, The VP Chinh Phu, Ngo 4 Phuong Mai, Dong Da, Hanoi, Vietnam.

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Send a polite appeal for their release to the Vietnamese ambassador, His Excellency Mr Trinh Duc Du, 12-14 Victoria Road, London W8 5RD. Fax: 020 7565 3853.

* **Please do not refer to politics with your greetings/appeals. And keep praying!**