



Your messages, and your prayers, will show them they are not forgotten

Christians Against Torture autumn actions focus on three people - in Algeria, Rwanda and Uzbekistan. *Please support them with your prayers, and assure them and their families that they are not forgotten.*

Under pressure to renounce his faith



Pentecostal **Dmitry Shestakov** is serving four years in prison in Uzbekistan for 'operating an illegal religious organisation and distributing materials promoting religious extremism' Some reports suggest that he has been pressurised to recant his faith. He has lost a great deal of weight. Forum 18 News Service has detailed reports from former prisoners at Camp No.29, where he is being held, of routine beatings, unsanitary living conditions and hazardous working conditions, all of which lead to high levels of sickness.

Send greetings to Dmitry Shestakov, 8th Detachment, 82nd Brigade, Navoi's Camp No 29, 210105 Navoi-5, UYa 64/29, Uzbekistan.

Convicted by the judge he accused

François-Xavier Byuma is president of Turengere Abana, an organisation in Rwanda which investigates violations of children's rights, including sexual violence and forced labour. In 2007, after a grossly unfair trial, he was sentenced to 19 years' imprisonment. He appeared in court shortly after his organisation accused a judge of raping a 17-year-old-girl. This same judge then presided over his trial, despite clear issues of lack of impartiality.



François-Xavier Byuma was convicted of receiving firearms training and 'participating in an attack' during the 1994 genocide. He was also found guilty of charges that were not stated at the start of his trial. In March 2009, after international campaigning, his case was reviewed and his sentence reduced by two years. However, irregularities were reported in this review process. François-Xavier Byuma continues to protest his innocence.

Send greetings to Francois-Xavier Byuma, c/o Turengere Abana, BP 952, Kigali, Rwanda.

What happened to Djamel?



To support the campaign for information about the Algerian journalist Djameleddine Fahassi, a postcard appeal produced by the Cardiff group of Amnesty International is included in this mailing. *Please sign it*, and sent it to the president of Algeria.