



Purity Camp

GOALS

- ◆ **Sponsorship:** The camp costs \$35.00; each girl has to pay \$5 (about a week's wage) so that it means something to her. WAR Int'l is hoping to find sponsors to donate the remaining \$30.

THE SITUATION

Acid attacks are a problem in many countries of the world:

- ◆ In Pakistan, one organization cares for over 600 victims (*The Independent*).
- ◆ In 9 years, the Acid Survivors' Foundation of Bangladesh has helped 2,811 survivors of acid attacks (*Acid Survivors' Foundation, 2008*).
- ◆ Only 2% of cases are ever prosecuted (*Kristof, NY Times*).

NEEDS

Please pray for the girls' protection, wisdom, and commitment to purity and that their leaders show God's love and protection. Also pray for the weekly Bible study; for the success of each summer camp; and for each girl who is forced into marriage against her will, that these girls who have been married off, forced to convert, or have been victims of acid attacks persevere and have hope, faith, and emotional healing.

MIDDLE EAST

Some Middle Eastern Christian girls fear to go out alone; others think it will never happen to them—but it does. Some may be kidnapped, "compromised" by an attacker, and then forced into a marriage, coupled with a forced conversion to another faith. If they reject a marriage proposal, they may become a victim of an acid attack. Christian girls are especially targeted for these crimes. The man gets a moral wife who is forced to convert and a cheap wedding ceremony without a dowry.

A group of godly nationals are passionate about protecting their 300 Christian girls who live away from their families in order to attend city school, which is a privilege but also increases their risk of kidnapping. They hold a weekly Bible study for these girls, but they want to host a four-day Purity Camp focusing on the Bible, purity, and self-protection. WAR, Int'l is partnering with them to help make this a reality for as many girls as possible. The \$35 to attend a four-day camp is beyond some of these girls' means, but WAR, Int'l wants to help sponsor these girls so that they will be protected, pure, and passionate for God.

