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North Korea Freedom Week

CHILDREN OF NORTH KOREA

Defend the cause of the weak and fatherless; maintain the rights of the poor and oppressed. Rescue the weak and needy; deliver them from the hand of the wicked.
- Psalm 82: 3-4


When parents are arrested, their children are also sent with them to prison camps. Their children face an abysmal existence. They are forced into hard labor, to which some succumb to physical hardship and die, or are forever scared.

Until a certain age, children have to go to a school, where they are instructed in the Juche ideology. For no apparent reason, they are beaten or kicked. This is done to instill obedience. Children are also mentally and physically abused throughout their internment. To compound their troubles, children have to deal with the illness and death of friends and family members. These little ones are given so little to eat that the only way to stay alive is to steal food. For this too, they can be severely punished. Not many children survive the prison camps, and any who remain alive are severely traumatized.

PRAYER REQUESTS

- Pray that the children will be protected and that they will receive sufficient food.
- Pray that they may be released and come to know the Lord Jesus, despite the horrors they experience.

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