

OPERATION: PEACE FOR NIGERIA

INFORMATION SHEET (GUIDE FOR ADULTS): TRAFFICKING IN NIGERIA

WHAT IS TRAFFICKING?

- Human trafficking is modern-day slavery. In many countries across the world, people are being bought and sold or forced to labour without receiving pay or being allowed to operate in freedom.
- Trafficking in Nigeria today includes, but is not limited to:
 - Generally—commercial sex, forced marriage, begging, forced labour, ritual practices, organ harvesting, etc.
 - Child trafficking in particular—Girls: domestic servitude, sexual exploitation; Boys: used as scavengers, car washers, bus conductors, drug peddlers, farmers, quarry workers, miners, street beggars
 - <https://www.naptip.gov.ng/wp-content/uploads/2017/05/Fact-Sheet-1.pdf>

WHO IS BEING TRAFFICKED?

- 1,386,000 Nigerians (<https://pathfindersji.org/nigeria-human-trafficking-factsheet/>)
- Victims, especially women and children, are enslaved across Nigeria and scattered throughout Europe and the world. Many are from Edo state.
- People who have been kidnapped, come from poor communities/families or are refugees in Internally Displaced Persons camps.
- Approx. 15 million children in Nigeria are working for a living (ILO 2013).

HOW CAN WE PRAY?

- Pray for trafficking victims to be identified, rescued and restored. Pray that they would know Christ, have their own Bible and their own church to help them. Pray that they would have grace to forgive, heal and live free.
- Pray for the traffickers: that they would be convicted and turn from their wicked ways and come to Christ. Pray for the Nigerian government to act according to the rule of law, enforce anti-trafficking legislation, defend victims of trafficking, and work to prevent this evil.



"Is not this the fast that I have chosen? to loose the bands of wickedness, to undo the heavy burdens, and to let the oppressed go free, and that ye break every yoke." Isaiah 58v6