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Abstract	The fact that people are turning to Christ and away from their previous world views seems to be a major cause for backlashes against these individuals and Christian communities by their communities of origin. This paper proposes to survey the state of research regarding the relation between conversion and persecution as reflected in recent missiological collections of essays. The examination focus on two major volumes given below.
References	Hans Aage Gravaas, Christof Sauer, Tormod Engelsen, Maqsood Kamil and Knud Jorgensen, eds., <i>Freedom of Belief and Christian Mission</i> (Regnum Edinburgh Centenary Series, 28), Oxford: Regnum 2015, 494 p. Taylor, W.D., van der Meer, T. & Reimer, R. eds., <i>Sorrow and blood: Christian mission in contexts of suffering, persecution and martyrdom</i> , Pasadena, CA: William Carey Library, 2012.
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