

# Imprisoned Pastor in Iran Target of Islamist Cellmates

*A pastor jailed in Iran, already the victim of beatings and ill health, has a new threat: his Islamic cellmates.*

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Saeed Abedini, the Iranian-American in jail since 2012, is in the same jail as terrorists who belong to the Islamic State, formerly known as ISIS, says Matthew Clark with the [American Center for Law and Justice](#).

Some of the Islamic State terrorists were captured in Iran, he explains, and they have threatened Abedini's life.

"Pastor Saeed is supposed to have about an hour a day where he gets to go out in the exercise yard, as they call it, and at that time he would come face with these ISIS terrorists," Clark tells OneNewsNow.

It's not the first time Pastor Abedini has been threatened: al-Qaida members have also been imprisoned there.

Pastor Abedini has written his family to say that he was moved to a separate section of the ward, one that is removed from the ISIS terrorists, but he does not want to leave his prison cell because of the threats.

"So now he is essentially a prisoner within his own prison cell," says the ACLJ spokesman.

Meanwhile, Abedini's wife and their two children...

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